# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT** 

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 22, 2019

# **RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

500 West Texas Avenue, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas (Address of principal executive offices) 001-38919 (Commission File Number) 83-1404608 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> 79701 (Zip Code)

(432) 221-7400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Units	RTLR	Nasdaq Global Select Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company Xiii

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

### Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

### Introductory Note

On May 28, 2019, Rattler Midstream LP (the "<u>Partnership</u>"), closed its initial public offering (the "<u>Offering</u>") of 38,000,000 common units representing limited partner interests in the Partnership ("<u>Common Units</u>"), at a price to the public of \$17.50 per Common Unit. The Offering was pursuant to the Partnership's registration statement on Form S-1, as amended (File No. 333-226645) (the "<u>Registration Statement</u>"), initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "<u>Commission</u>") pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "<u>Securities Act</u>"), on August 7, 2018. The material terms of the Offering are described in the prospectus, dated May 22, 2019 (the "<u>Prospectus</u>"), filed by the Partnership with the Commission on May 24, 2019 pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act.

On May 23, 2019, the Partnership elected to change its federal income tax status from that of a pass-through entity to that of a taxable entity via a "check the box" election, effective May 24, 2019 (the "<u>Tax Election</u>"). Following the Tax Election, and in conjunction with the closing of the Offering, the following transactions occurred:

- Rattler Midstream GP LLC, the general partner of the Partnership (the "<u>General Partner</u>"), made a cash capital contribution to the Partnership of \$1.0 million in respect of its general partner interest;
- the limited liability company agreement of the General Partner was amended and restated;
- the Partnership issued 107,815,152 Class B units representing limited partner interests in the Partnership ("<u>Class B Units</u>") to Energen Resources Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Diamondback Energy, Inc. ("<u>Energen</u>"), in consideration for a \$1.0 million capital contribution;
- the limited partnership agreement of the Partnership was amended and restated;
- Rattler Midstream Operating LLC ("<u>Rattler LLC</u>") issued 107,815,152 units representing membership interests in Rattler LLC ("<u>Rattler LLC</u>") issued 107,815,152 units representing membership interests in Rattler LLC ("<u>Rattler LLC</u>") issued 107,815,152 units representing membership interests in Rattler LLC ("<u>Rattler LLC</u>") issued 107,815,152 units representing membership interests in Rattler LLC ("<u>Rattler LLC</u>") issued 107,815,152 units representing membership interests in Rattler LLC ("<u>Rattler LLC</u>") issued 107,815,152 units representing membership interests in Rattler LLC ("<u>Rattler LLC</u>") issued 107,815,152 units representing membership interests in Rattler LLC ("<u>Rattler LLC</u>") issued 107,815,152 units representing membership interests in Rattler LLC ("<u>Rattler LLC</u>") issued 107,815,152 units representing membership interests in Rattler LLC ("<u>Rattler LLC</u>") issued 107,815,152 units representing membership interests in Rattler LLC ("<u>Rattler LLC</u>") issued 107,815,152 units representing membership interests;
- the limited liability company agreement of Rattler LLC was amended and restated;
- the Partnership entered into an equity contribution agreement (the "<u>Equity Contribution Agreement</u>") with Rattler LLC, whereby the Partnership contributed all of the net proceeds of the Offering to Rattler LLC in exchange for 38,000,000 Rattler LLC Units;
- Rattler LLC distributed all of the net proceeds from the Offering to Diamondback Energy, Inc. ("Diamondback");
- the Partnership entered into an exchange agreement with the General Partner, Rattler LLC and Energen (the "Exchange Agreement");
- the Partnership entered into a registration rights agreement with Energen (the "Registration Rights Agreement"); and
- the Partnership entered into a services and secondment agreement with Diamondback, Diamondback E&P LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Diamondback ("<u>Diamondback E&P</u>"), the General Partner and Rattler LLC (the "<u>Services and Secondment Agreement</u>").

Following the effectiveness of the Tax Election and the completion of the Offering and related transactions, Diamondback and its subsidiaries own, through ownership of Class B Units, an approximate 75% voting interest in the Partnership (or an approximate 71% voting interest in the Partnership if the Underwriters (as defined below) exercise in full their Option (as defined below)) and, through ownership of Rattler LLC Units, an approximate 75% economic, non-voting interest in Rattler LLC (or an approximate 71% economic, non-voting interest in Rattler LLC if the Underwriters (as defined below) exercise in full their Option).

### **Underwriting Agreement**

On May 22, 2019, the Partnership entered into an underwriting agreement (the "<u>Underwriting Agreement</u>"), by and among the Partnership, the General Partner, Rattler LLC and Diamondback (together, the "<u>Partnership Parties</u>") and Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, BofA Securities, Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein (the "<u>Underwriters</u>"), providing for the offer and sale by the Partnership, and the purchase by the Underwriters, of 38,000,000 Common Units (the "<u>Firm Units</u>"). Pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement, the Partnership also granted the Underwriters an option for a period of 30 days to purchase up to an additional 5,700,000 Common Units to cover over-allotments on the same terms (the "<u>Option</u>").

The Underwriting Agreement contains customary representations, warranties and agreements of the parties, and customary conditions to closing, obligations of the parties and termination provisions. The Partnership Parties have agreed to indemnify the Underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act.

At the closing of the Firm Units on May 28, 2019, the Partnership received proceeds from the Offering (net of the underwriting discount and after deducting certain offering expenses) of approximately \$626.5 million. The Partnership used the net proceeds from the sale of the Common Units to make a distribution to Diamondback, in part to reimburse Diamondback for certain capital expenditures. Affiliates of certain of the Underwriters are lenders under Diamondback's revolving credit facility. Diamondback may, but is not required to, apply the distribution that it receives from the Partnership to repay amounts outstanding under its revolving credit facility. Affiliates of certain of the Underwriters may indirectly receive a portion of the proceeds from the Offering in the form of repayment of debt by Diamondback.

As more fully described under the caption "Underwriting" in the Prospectus, the Underwriters and certain of their affiliates are full service financial institutions engaged in various activities, which may include securities trading, commercial and investment banking, financial advisory, investment management, investment research, principal investment, hedging, financing and brokerage activities. The Underwriters and certain of their affiliates have, from time to time, performed, and may in the future perform, various commercial and investment banking and financial advisory services for the Partnership and its affiliates, for which they received or may in the future receive customary fees and expenses.

The foregoing description is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Underwriting Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 1.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 1.01 by reference.

### **Equity Contribution Agreement**

On May 28, 2019, in connection with the Offering, the Partnership entered into the Equity Contribution Agreement with Rattler LLC. Pursuant to the Equity Contribution Agreement, the Partnership contributed all of the net proceeds of the Offering to Rattler LLC in exchange for 38,000,000 Rattler LLC Units. Rattler LLC used the contributed funds to make a distribution to Diamondback and for general company purposes.

The foregoing description is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Equity Contribution Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.5 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 1.01 by reference.

### **Exchange Agreement**

On May 28, 2019, in connection with the Offering, the Partnership, the General Partner, Rattler LLC and Energen entered into the Exchange Agreement, Energen can tender its Rattler LLC Units and an equal number of its Class B Units (such Rattler LLC Units, together with the Class B Units, referred to as the "<u>Tendered Units</u>"), for redemption to Rattler LLC and the Partnership. As consideration for the Tendered Units, Energen has the right to receive upon redemption, at the election of Rattler LLC with the approval of the conflicts committee of the board of directors of the General Partner (the "<u>Board</u>"), either a number of Common Units equal to the number of Tendered Units or a cash payment equal to the sum of (i) the number of Tendered Units multiplied by the average daily trading price of the Common Units for the prior 20 days plus (ii) the number of Tendered Units multiplied by the quotient of \$1,000,000 divided by the number of then outstanding Class B Units. In addition, the Partnership has the right, but not the obligation, to offer to directly purchase such Tendered Units for, subject to the approval of the conflicts committee of the Board, cash or Common Units at the Partnership's election.

The Exchange Agreement also provides that, subject to certain exceptions, Energen will not have the right to exchange its Rattler LLC Units if Rattler LLC or the Partnership determines that such exchange would be prohibited by law or regulation or would violate other agreements to which the Partnership may be subject, and Rattler LLC and the Partnership may impose additional restrictions on the exchange that either party determines necessary or advisable so that the Partnership is not treated as a "publicly traded partnership" for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

If Rattler LLC elects to issue Common Units in exchange for Energen's Tendered Units, the exchange will be on a one-for-one basis, subject to adjustment in the event of splits or combinations of units, distributions of warrants or other unit purchase rights, specified extraordinary distributions and similar events. If Rattler LLC elects to deliver cash in exchange for Energen's Tendered Units, or if the Partnership exercises its right to purchase Tendered Units for cash, the amount of cash payable will be based on the average daily trading price of the Common Units for the prior 20 days.

The preceding summary of the Exchange Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Exchange Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference.

### **Registration Rights Agreement**

On May 28, 2019, in connection with the Offering, the Partnership entered into the Registration Rights Agreement with Energen. Pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement, Energen will be entitled to demand registration rights, including the right to demand that a shelf registration statement be filed, and "piggyback" registration rights, for Common Units that it owns or acquires, including through the exchange of its Class B Units and Rattler LLC Units for Common Units in accordance with the Exchange Agreement.

The foregoing description is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Registration Rights Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 4.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 1.01 by reference.

### Services and Secondment Agreement

On May 28, 2019, in connection with the Offering, the Partnership entered into the Services and Secondment Agreement with Diamondback, Diamondback E&P, the General Partner and Rattler LLC. Pursuant to the Services and Secondment Agreement, Diamondback and its subsidiaries will second certain operational, construction, design and management employees and contractors of Diamondback to the General Partner, the Partnership and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "<u>Secondment Parties</u>"), to provide management, maintenance and operational functions with respect to the Partnership's assets. During their period of secondment, the seconded employees will be under the direct management, supervision and control of Diamondback and its subsidiaries (other than the Secondment Parties) with respect to the provision of services to the Secondment Parties.

The Secondment Parties will reimburse Diamondback for the cost of the seconded employees and contractors, including their wages and benefits. If a seconded employee or contractor performs services for both Diamondback and its subsidiaries (other than the Secondment Parties) and the Secondment Parties, the Secondment Parties will only reimburse Diamondback for a prorated portion of such employee's overall wages and benefits or the costs associated with such contractor, in each case based on the percentage of the employee's or contractor's time spent working for the Secondment Parties, as determined in good faith by Diamondback and its subsidiaries (other than the Secondment Parties) and the Secondment Parties. The Secondment Parties will reimburse Diamondback on a monthly basis or at other intervals that Diamondback and the General Partner may agree from time to time.

The Services and Secondment Agreement will have an initial term of 15 years and will automatically extend for successive extension terms of one year each, unless terminated by either party upon at least 30 days' prior written notice before the end of the initial term or any extension term. In addition, the Secondment Parties may terminate the agreement in whole at any time upon written notice stating the date of termination or terminate any particular service provided to the Secondment Parties by a seconded employee or contractor under the agreement at any time upon 30 days' prior written notice.

The foregoing description is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Services and Secondment Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.6 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 1.01 by reference.

### **Credit Agreement**

On May 28, 2019, the Partnership entered into a Credit Agreement with Rattler LLC, as borrower, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association ("<u>Wells Fargo</u>"), as the administrative agent, and certain lenders from time to time party thereto (the "<u>Credit Agreement</u>"). The Credit Agreement provides for a revolving credit facility in the maximum amount of \$600.0 million. Loan principal may be optionally repaid from time to time without premium or penalty (other than customary LIBOR breakage), and is required to be paid at the maturity date of May 28, 2024. The loan is guaranteed by the Partnership and Tall City Towers LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Rattler LLC ("<u>Tall Towers</u>"), and is secured by substantially all of the assets of Rattler LLC, the Partnership and Tall Towers.

The outstanding borrowings under the Credit Agreement bear interest at a rate elected by Rattler LLC that is based on the prime rate or LIBOR, in each case plus margins ranging from 0.250% for prime-based loans and 1.250% for LIBOR loans to 1.250% for prime-based loans and 2.250% per annum for LIBOR loans, in each case depending on the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement). Rattler LLC is obligated to pay a quarterly commitment fee ranging from 0.250% to 0.375% per annum on the unused portion of the commitment, which fee is also dependent on the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio.

The Credit Agreement contains various affirmative and negative covenants. These covenants, among other things, limit additional indebtedness, additional liens, sales of assets, mergers and consolidations, distributions and other restricted payments,

transactions with affiliates, and entering into certain swap agreements, in each case of the Partnership, Rattler LLC and their restricted subsidiaries. The covenants are subject to exceptions set forth in the Credit Agreement, including an exception allowing Rattler LLC or the Partnership to issue unsecured debt securities, and an exception allowing payment of distributions if no default exists. The Credit Agreement may be used to fund capital expenditures, to finance working capital, for general company purposes, to pay fees and expenses related to the Credit Agreement, and to make distributions permitted under the Credit Agreement.

The Credit Agreement also contains financial maintenance covenants that require the maintenance of the financial ratios described below:

Financial Maintenance Covenant	Required Ratio
Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio commencing with the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2019	Not greater than 5.00 to 1.00 (or not greater than 5.50 to 1.00 for 3 fiscal quarters following certain acquisitions), but if the Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement) is applicable, then not greater than 5.25 to 1.00)
Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio commencing with the last day of any fiscal quarter in which the Financial Covenant Election (as defined in the Credit Agreement) is made	Not greater than 3.50 to 1.00
Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio (as defined in the Credit Agreement) commencing with the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2019	Not less than 2.50 to 1.00

For purposes of calculating the financial maintenance covenants prior to the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2020, EBITDA will be annualized based on the actual EBITDA for the preceding fiscal quarters starting with the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2019.

The lenders may accelerate all of the indebtedness under the Credit Agreement upon the occurrence and during the continuance of any event of default. The Credit Agreement contains customary events of default, including non-payment, breach of covenants, materially incorrect representations, cross-default, bankruptcy and change in control. There are no cure periods for events of default due to non-payment of principal and breaches of negative and financial maintenance covenants, but non-payment of interest and breaches of certain affirmative covenants are subject to customary cure periods. With certain specified exceptions, the terms and provisions of the Credit Agreement generally may be amended with the consent of the lenders holding a majority of the outstanding loans or commitments to lend.

The foregoing description is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Credit Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 1.01 by reference.

#### Long-Term Incentive Plan

Effective May 22, 2019, the Board adopted a long term incentive plan (the "<u>LTIP</u>") for employees, officers, consultants and directors of the General Partner and any of its affiliates, including Diamondback, who perform services for the Partnership. The purpose of the LTIP is to provide a means to attract and retain individuals who are essential to our growth and profitability and to encourage them to devote their best efforts to advancing our business by affording such individuals a means to acquire and maintain ownership of awards, the value of which is tied to the performance of the Common Units. The LTIP provides for the grant of unit options, unit appreciation rights, restricted units, unit awards, phantom units, distribution equivalent rights, cash awards, performance awards, other unit-based awards and substitute awards (collectively, "<u>awards</u>"). The maximum aggregate number of Common Units that may be issued pursuant to any and all awards under the LTIP shall not exceed 15,151,515 Common Units, subject to adjustment due to recapitalization or reorganization, or related to forfeitures or expiration of awards, as provided under the LTIP. Any awards that are made under the LTIP will be approved by the Board or a committee thereof that may be established for such purpose. The Partnership will be responsible for the cost of awards granted under the LTIP.

The foregoing description is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the LTIP, which is filed as Exhibit 10.3 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 1.01 by reference.

### **Phantom Unit Agreements**

On May 28, 2019, in connection with the Offering, the General Partner entered into phantom unit agreements (the "<u>Phantom Unit Agreements</u>") with each of the executive officers and non-employee directors of the General Partner and certain other employees of Diamondback. Under the terms of the LTIP, the Partnership has discretion to grant awards to employees, officers, consultants and directors of the General Partner and any of its affiliates, including Diamondback, who perform services for the Partnership. Upon vesting, each phantom unit entitles the recipient to one Common Unit of the Partnership. Subject to accelerated vesting upon certain specified events (e.g., change of control, termination due to death or disability), a fifth of the phantom units will vest each year, and the phantom units will become fully vested phantom units under the graduated vesting schedule on the earlier to occur of the five year anniversary of the date of grant or the occurrence of a change of control or other acceleration event. Awards to directors and executive officers of the General Partner provide for distribution equivalent rights that will entitle the holder to receive cash distributions prior to vesting.

The foregoing description is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the form of the Phantom Unit Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.8 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 1.01 by reference.

### Indemnification Agreements

On May 22, 2019, the General Partner and Partnership entered into indemnification agreements (the "<u>Indemnification Agreements</u>") with each of the directors and executive officers of the General Partner. The Indemnification Agreements require the Partnership to indemnify these individuals to the fullest extent permitted by law against expenses incurred as a result of any proceeding in which they are involved by reason of their service to the Partnership and, if requested, to advance expenses incurred as a result of any such proceeding.

The foregoing description is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the form of the Indemnification Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.4 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 1.01 by reference.

### **Tax Sharing Agreement**

On May 28, 2019, in connection with the Offering, Rattler LLC entered into a Tax Sharing Agreement (the "<u>Tax Sharing Agreement</u>") with Diamondback, pursuant to which Rattler LLC will reimburse Diamondback for its share of state and local income and other taxes borne by Diamondback as a result of Rattler LLC's results being included in a combined or consolidated tax return filed by Diamondback with respect to taxable periods including or beginning on May 28, 2019. The amount of any such reimbursement will be limited to the tax that Rattler LLC would have paid had it not been included in a combined group with Diamondback. Diamondback may use its tax attributes to cause its combined or consolidated group, of which Rattler LLC may be a member for this purpose, to owe no tax. However, Rattler LLC would nevertheless reimburse Diamondback for the tax Rattler LLC would have owed had the attributes not been available or used for its benefit, even though Diamondback had no cash expense for that period.

The foregoing description is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Tax Sharing Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.7 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 1.01 by reference.

### Relationships

Each of the Partnership, the General Partner and Rattler LLC is a direct or indirect subsidiary of Diamondback. As a result, certain individuals, including officers and directors of Diamondback and the General Partner, serve as officers and/or directors of more than one of such other entities. The General Partner, as the general partner of the Partnership, holds a non-economic general partner interest in the Partnership and is not entitled to participate in distributions made by the Partnership, except that it will be entitled to a quarterly cash preferred distribution of 8% per annum on the \$1.0 million capital contribution made in respect of its general partner interest, or \$0.02 million per quarter. Diamondback and its subsidiaries own, through ownership of Class B Units, an approximate 75% voting interest in the Partnership (or an approximate 71% voting interest in the Partnership if the Underwriters exercise in full their Option) and, through ownership of Rattler LLC Units, an approximate 75% economic, non-voting interest in Rattler LLC if the Underwriters exercise in full their Option).

### Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets.

The description of the Equity Contribution Agreement provided in Item 1.01 above is incorporated in this Item 2.01 by reference.

### Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

The description of the Credit Agreement provided in Item 1.01 above is incorporated in this Item 2.03 by reference.

### Item 3.02. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities.

As described in the introductory note and in connection with, and in contemplation of, the Offering, (i) the Partnership issued 107,815,152 Class B Units to Energen in consideration for \$1.0 million, (ii) Rattler LLC issued 38,000,000 Rattler LLC Units to the Partnership in consideration for the contribution of the net proceeds from the Offering and pursuant to the terms of the Equity Contribution Agreement and (iii) Rattler LLC issued 107,815,152 Rattler LLC Units to Energen for the tender by Energen of its existing Rattler LLC membership interests. Each of these transactions, which are described in more detail in the Introductory Note to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference, occurred on May 28, 2019 and were undertaken in reliance upon the exemption from the registration requirements in Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act. The Partnership believes that exemptions other than the foregoing exemption may exist for these transactions.

### Item 3.03. Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.

The information set forth in Item 1.01 above with respect to the Credit Agreement's limitations on the payment of distributions and other restricted payments is incorporated herein by reference.

The information set forth in Item 5.03 below with respect to the amendment and restatements of the Partnership Agreement, GP LLC Agreement and Rattler LLC Agreement is incorporated herein by reference.

# Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

### **Executive Officer Compensation**

On May 28, 2019, in connection with the Offering, Travis D. Stice, Chief Executive Officer and a director of the General Partner, Matthew Kaes Van't Hof, President and a director of the General Partner, Teresa L. Dick, Chief Financial Officer, Executive Vice President and Assistant Secretary of the General Partner and P. Matt Zmigrosky, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary of the General Partner, received grants of phantom units under the LTIP, as described in the section of the Prospectus entitled "Executive Compensation and Other Information" and incorporated in this Item 5.02 by reference.

### Appointment of Directors

Effective on May 22, 2019, in connection with the listing of the Common Units on the Nasdaq Global Select Market, each of Laurie H. Argo, Arturo Vivar and Steven E. West were appointed to the Board, and appointed to serve as members of the audit committee.

There are no arrangements or understandings between Ms. Argo and Messrs. Vivar and West and any other persons pursuant to which Ms. Argo and Messrs. Vivar and West were selected as directors. There are no relationships between Ms. Argo and Messrs. Vivar and West and the General Partner, the Partnership or any of its subsidiaries that would require disclosure pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

As non-employee directors, Ms. Argo and Messrs. Vivar and West will receive compensation in accordance with the General Partner's policies for compensating non-employee directors, including any long-term equity incentive awards under the LTIP. A description of the such compensation, which included a grant of 5,714 phantom units to each non-employee director on May 22, 2019, is contained in the section of the Prospectus entitled "Executive Compensation and Other Information – Director Compensation" and incorporated in this Item 5.02 by reference.

### Long-Term Incentive Plan

The description of the LTIP provided in Item 1.01 above is incorporated in this Item 5.02 by reference.

### **Phantom Unit Agreements**

The description of the Phantom Unit Agreements provided in Item 1.01 above is incorporated in this Item 5.02 by reference.

### Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

### First Amended and Restated Partnership Agreement of Rattler Midstream LP

On May 28, 2019, in connection with the Offering, the Partnership amended and restated its agreement of limited partnership (as amended and restated, the "<u>Partnership Agreement</u>"). The Partnership Agreement was amended and restated to, among other things, outline the rights of the limited partners, the cash distribution policy with respect to record holders of Common Units and the management of the Partnership's business by the Board. A description of the Partnership Agreement is contained in the sections of the Prospectus entitled "How We Make Distributions" and "Our Partnership Agreement" and incorporated in this Item 5.03 by reference.

The foregoing description and the description contained in the Prospectus are not complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the full text of the Partnership Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 3.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 5.03 by reference.

### Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler Midstream Operating LLC

On May 28, 2019, in connection with the Offering, Rattler LLC amended and restated its amended and restated limited liability company agreement (as amended and restated, the "<u>Rattler LLC Agreement</u>"). The Rattler LLC Agreement was amended and restated to, among other things, outline the rights of the members and the management of Rattler LLC's business by the Partnership as managing member. A description of the Rattler LLC Agreement is contained in the sections of the Prospectus entitled "How We Make Distributions" and "Rattler LLC Limited Liability Company Agreement" and incorporated in this Item 5.03 by reference.

The foregoing description and the description contained in the Prospectus are not complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the full text of the Rattler LLC Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 3.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 5.03 by reference.

### First Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler Midstream GP LLC

On May 28, 2019, in connection with the Offering, the General Partner amended and restated its limited liability company agreement (as amended and restated, the "<u>GP LLC Agreement</u>"). The GP LLC Agreement was amended and restated to, among other things, outline the rights of the sole member and the management of the Partnership's business by the Board.

The foregoing description is not complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the GP LLC Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 3.3 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated in this Item 5.03 by reference.

## Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Exhibit
1.1	Underwriting Agreement, dated as of May 22, 2019, by and among Rattler Midstream LP, Rattler Midstream GP LLC, Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, Diamondback Energy, Inc. and the several underwriters named therein.
3.1	First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Rattler Midstream LP, dated May 28, 2019.
3.2	Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, dated May 28, 2019.
3.3	First Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler Midstream GP LLC, dated May 28, 2019.
4.1	Registration Rights Agreement, dated May 28, 2019, by and between Rattler Midstream LP and Energen Resources Corporation.
10.1	Exchange Agreement, dated as of May 28, 2019, by and among Rattler Midstream LP, Rattler Midstream GP LLC, Rattler Midstream Operating LLC and Energen Resources Corporation.
10.2	Credit Agreement, dated May 28, 2019, by and among Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, as borrower, Rattler Midstream LP, as parent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as the administrative agent, and certain lenders from time to time party thereto.
10.3	Rattler Midstream LP Long-Term Incentive Plan.
10.4	Form of Indemnification Agreement.
10.5	Equity Contribution Agreement, dated as of May 28, 2019, by and between Rattler Midstream LP and Rattler Midstream Operating LLC.
10.6	<u>Services and Secondment Agreement, dated as of May_28, 2019, by and among Diamondback Energy, Inc., Diamondback E&amp;P LLC,</u> <u>Rattler Midstream GP LLC, Rattler Midstream LP, and Rattler Midstream Operating LLC.</u>
10.7	Tax Sharing Agreement, dated as of May 28, 2019, by and between Diamondback Energy, Inc. and Rattler Midstream Operating LLC.
10.8	Form of Phantom Unit Agreement.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

### RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

By: Rattler Midstream GP LLC, its general partner

Date: May 29, 2019

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

Name: Teresa L. Dick

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

Exhibit 1.1

**Execution Version** 

### RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

### 38,000,000 Common Units

### **Representing Limited Partner Interests**

### **UNDERWRITING AGREEMENT**

May 22, 2019

CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) LLC BOFA SECURITIES, INC. J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC As Representatives of the several Underwriters named in <u>Schedule I</u>

c/o Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC Eleven Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010-3629

c/o BofA Securities, Inc. One Bryant Park New York, New York 10036

c/o J.P. Morgan Securities LLC 383 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10179

### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Rattler Midstream LP (formerly Rattler Midstream Partners LP), a Delaware limited partnership (the "*Partnership*"), proposes to sell 38,000,000 common units (the "*Firm Units*") representing limited partner interests in the Partnership (the "*Common Units*") to the several underwriters (the "*Underwriters*") named in <u>Schedule I</u> attached to this agreement (this "*Agreement*"). In addition, the Partnership proposes to grant to the Underwriters an option to purchase up to 5,700,000 Common Units on the terms set forth in <u>Section 2</u> to cover over-allotments, if any (the "*Option Units*"). The Firm Units and the Option Units, if purchased, are hereinafter collectively called the "*Units*." This Agreement is to confirm the agreement concerning the purchase of the Units from the Partnership by the Underwriters.

It is understood and agreed by all parties hereto that the Partnership was formed to own, operate, develop and acquire midstream infrastructure assets in North America through its ownership interest in Rattler Midstream Operating LLC (formerly known as Rattler Midstream LLC), a Delaware limited liability company ("*Rattler LLC*").

It is further understood and agreed to by the parties hereto that prior to the date hereof the following transactions (the "*Prior Transactions*") occurred:

(a) Diamondback Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "*Sponsor*"), (i) formed Rattler LLC and (ii) entered into the Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler LLC, dated August 25, 2014;

(b) The Sponsor (i) formed Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and the general partner of the Partnership (the "*General Partner*"), and (ii) entered into the Limited Liability Company Agreement of the General Partner, dated July 27, 2018;

(c) The General Partner and the Sponsor (i) formed the Partnership and (ii) entered into the Limited Partnership Agreement of the Partnership, dated July 27, 2018, pursuant to which the Sponsor contributed \$100 in cash to the Partnership in exchange for a 100% limited partner interest in the Partnership;

(d) The Sponsor, Rattler LLC, Diamondback E&P LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("*Diamondback E&P*"), and Diamondback O&G LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("*Diamondback O&G*" and, together with the Sponsor and Diamondback E&P, the "*Contributors*"), entered into a contribution agreement, dated July 31, 2018 (the "*Initial Contribution Agreement*"), pursuant to which, among other things, the Contributors contributed certain interests and assets specified therein, including, among other things, a 100% membership interest in Tall City Towers, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("*Tall Towers*"), and a 25% membership interest in HMW Fluid Management, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("*HMW LLC*"), to Rattler LLC in exchange for membership interests in Rattler LLC;

(e) The Sponsor (i) entered into a Seventh Amendment, dated August 31, 2018, to its Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of November 1, 2013, among the Sponsor, as the parent guarantor, Diamondback O&G, as borrower, the guarantors party thereto, the lenders party thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent (as so amended, the "*Sponsor Credit Agreement*"), and (ii) designated Tall Towers, the General Partner and the Partnership as "Unrestricted Subsidiaries" under the Sponsor Credit Agreement;

(f) The Sponsor, Diamondback E&P, Energen Resources Corporation, an Alabama corporation ("*Energen*"), Rattler LLC and Tall Towers entered into a contribution agreement, effective January 1, 2019 (the "*Energen Contribution Agreement*" and, together with the Initial Contribution Agreement, the "*Contribution Agreements*"), pursuant to which, among other things, (i) the Sponsor and Diamondback E&P contributed certain assets specified therein; (ii) the Sponsor contributed all the membership interests of Rattler LLC to Energen and (iii) Energen subsequently contributed certain assets specified therein;

(g) Energen entered into the Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company of Rattler LLC, dated as of February 18, 2019;

(h) Pursuant to an option exercise notice, dated February 1, 2019, Rattler LLC exercised its option to acquire a 10% equity interest in EPIC Crude Holdings, LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("*EPIC*"), and a membership interest in EPIC Crude Holdings GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and the general partner of EPIC; and

(i) Rattler LLC entered into a Transfer Agreement, dated as of April 23, 2018 (the "*Transfer Agreement*"), pursuant to which, among other things, Rattler LLC acquired, effective as of February 15, 2019, a 10% membership interest in Gray Oak Pipeline, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("*Gray Oak*").

It is further understood and agreed to by the parties hereto that the following additional transactions (the "*Closing Transactions*") will occur at or prior to the closing of the offering of the Firm Units on the Initial Delivery Date (as hereinafter defined):

(a) The Sponsor will enter into the First Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of the General Partner (as it may be amended from time to time, the "*General Partner LLC Agreement*");

(b) Energen and the General Partner will enter into the First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership (as it may be amended from time to time, the "*Partnership Agreement*"), pursuant to which, among other things, (i) the General Partner will contribute \$1,000,000 in cash (the "*GP Capital Contribution Amount*") to the Partnership in exchange for a quarterly cash preferred distribution of 2.0% of the GP Capital Contribution Amount in respect of the GP Interest (as defined herein) and (ii) Energen will contribute \$1,000,000 in cash to the Partnership in exchange for 107,815,152 Class B common units representing limited partner interests in the Partnership (the "*Class B Units*") and the right to receive additional Class B Units if the Underwriters do not exercise in full their option to purchase additional common units;

(c) The Partnership and Energen will enter into the Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company of Rattler LLC (as it may be amended from time to time, the "*Rattler LLC Agreement*");

(d) Energen, Rattler LLC, the General Partner and the Partnership will enter into an exchange agreement (the "*Exchange Agreement*"), pursuant to which, among other things, Energen may tender Rattler LLC Units and an equal number of its Class B Units (collectively, the "*Tendered Units*") for redemption to Rattler LLC and the Partnership in exchange for, at election of the Partnership or Rattler LLC with the approval of the conflicts committee of the Board of Directors of the General Partner (the "*Board*"), either (i) a number of Common Units equal to the number of Tendered Units or (ii) a cash payment equal to the number of Tendered Units multiplied by the then current trading price of the Common Units;

(e) Energen and the Partnership will enter into a registration rights agreement (the "*Registration Rights Agreement*"), which will require the Partnership to file a registration statement to register the Common Units that Energen owns or acquires, including through Energen's exchange of Tendered Units for Common Units in accordance with the Exchange Agreement, and will include provisions dealing with holdback agreements, indemnification and contribution and allocation of expenses;

(f) Rattler LLC will enter into a tax sharing agreement (the "*Tax Sharing Agreement*") with the Sponsor, pursuant to which Rattler LLC will reimburse the Sponsor for its share of state and local income and other taxes borne by the Sponsor as a result of Rattler LLC's results being included in a combined or consolidated tax return filed by the Sponsor with respect to taxable periods including or beginning on the closing date of the Offering (as defined herein);

(g) The Partnership and Rattler LLC will enter into an equity contribution agreement (the "*Equity Contribution Agreement*"), pursuant to which, among other things, the Partnership will contribute all of the net proceeds of the Offering to Rattler LLC in exchange for 38,000,000 Rattler LLC Units and a non-economic managing member interest;

(h) The Partnership, the General Partner and Rattler LLC will enter into an operational services and secondment agreement (the "*Operational Services and Secondment Agreement*") with the Sponsor, pursuant to which the Partnership will reimburse the Sponsor for its provision of certain operational services and related management services in support of the Partnership's operations;

(i) Rattler LLC will enter into a new \$600 million senior secured revolving credit facility pursuant to a credit agreement among Rattler LLC, as borrower, the guarantors party thereto, the lenders party thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent (as may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "*Rattler LLC Credit Agreement*");

(j) The Sponsor will designate Rattler LLC as an "Unrestricted Subsidiary" under the Sponsor Credit Agreement;

(k) The Sponsor will designate the General Partner and the Partnership as "Unrestricted Subsidiaries" under (i) the Indenture, dated as of October 28, 2016, as supplemented by that certain First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of September 25, 2018, among the Sponsor, the guarantors party thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee, relating to the Sponsor's 4.750% Senior Notes due 2024 and (ii) the Indenture, dated as of December 20, 2016, as supplemented by that certain First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of January 29, 2018, among the Sponsor, the guarantors party thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee, relating to the Sponsor's 5.375% Senior Notes due 2025; and

(l) The public offering of the Firm Units contemplated hereby (the "*Offering*") will be consummated.

The Prior Transactions and the Closing Transactions are collectively referred to herein as the "*Transactions*." As used herein, (i) "*Transaction Agreements*" means, collectively, the Contribution Agreements, the Transfer Agreement, the Exchange Agreement, the Registration Rights Agreement, the Tax Sharing Agreement, the Equity Contribution Agreement, the

Operational Services and Secondment Agreement and the Rattler LLC Credit Agreement and (ii) the "*Organizational Agreements*" means, collectively, the General Partner LLC Agreement, the Partnership Agreement and the Rattler LLC Agreement. The Organizational Agreements and the Transaction Agreements are collectively referred to herein as the "*Operative Agreements*."

The Partnership, the General Partner, Rattler LLC and the Sponsor are collectively referred to herein as the "*Partnership Parties*." The Partnership, the General Partner, Rattler LLC and Tall Towers are collectively referred to herein as the "*Partnership Entities*."

1. *Representations, Warranties and Agreements of the Partnership Parties.* The Partnership Parties, jointly and severally, represent, warrant and agree that:

(a) A registration statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-226645), including a prospectus, relating to the Units has (i) been prepared by the Partnership in conformity with the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "*Securities Act*"), and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "*Commission*") thereunder; (ii) been filed with the Commission under the Securities Act; and (iii) become effective under the Securities Act. Copies of such registration statement and any amendment thereto have been delivered by the Partnership to you as the representatives (the "*Representatives*") of the Underwriters. As used in this Agreement:

(i) "Applicable Time" means 4:05 p.m., New York City time, on May 22, 2019;

(ii) "**BHC** *Act Affiliate*" has the meaning assigned to the term "affiliate" in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. § 1841(k).

(iii) "Covered Entity" means any of the following:

- (a) a "covered entity" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 252.82(b);
- (b) a "covered bank" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 47.3(b); or
- (c) a "covered FSI" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 382.2(b).

(iv) "*Default Right*" has the meaning assigned to that term in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §§ 252.81, 47.2 or 382.1, as applicable.

(v) *"Effective Date"* means the date and time as of which such registration statement, or the most recent post-effective amendment thereto, if any, was declared effective by the Commission;

(vi) *"Issuer Free Writing Prospectus"* means each "issuer free writing prospectus" (as defined in Rule 433 under the Securities Act);

(vii) "*Preliminary Prospectus*" means any preliminary prospectus relating to the Units included in such registration statement or filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act;

(viii) "*Pricing Disclosure Package*" means, as of the Applicable Time, the most recent Preliminary Prospectus, together with the information included in <u>Schedule II</u> hereto and each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus listed in <u>Schedule III</u> hereto;

(ix) *"Prospectus"* means the final prospectus relating to the Units, as filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act;

(x) "*Registration Statement*" means such registration statement, as amended as of the Effective Date, including any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, all exhibits to such registration statement and including the information deemed by virtue of Rule 430A under the Securities Act to be part of such registration statement as of the Effective Date;

(xi) *"Testing-the-Waters Communication"* means any oral or written communication with potential investors undertaken in reliance on Section 5(d) of the Securities Act;

(xii) "**U.S.** *Special Resolution Regime*" means each of (i) the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder and (ii) Title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

(xiii) *"Written Testing-the-Waters Communication"* means any Testing-the-Waters Communication that is a written communication within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

Any reference to the "*most recent Preliminary Prospectus*" shall be deemed to refer to the latest Preliminary Prospectus included in the Registration Statement or filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act prior to or on the date hereof. Any reference herein to the term "Registration Statement" shall be deemed to include any abbreviated registration statement to register additional Common Units under Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act (the "*Rule 462(b) Registration Statement*"). The Commission has not issued any order preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus or suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, and no proceeding or examination for such purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act has been instituted or threatened by the Commission.

(b) From the time of initial filing of the Registration Statement with the Commission through the date hereof, the Partnership has been and will be an "emerging growth company," as defined in Section 2(a) of the Securities Act (an "*Emerging Growth Company*").

(c) The Partnership (i) has not engaged in any Testing-the-Waters Communication and (ii) has not authorized anyone to engage in Testing-the-Waters Communications. The Partnership has not distributed or approved for distribution any Written Testing-the-Waters Communications.

(d) The Partnership was not at the time of initial filing of the Registration Statement and at the earliest time thereafter that the Partnership or another offering participant made a *bona fide* offer (within the meaning of Rule 164(h)(2) under the Securities Act) of the Units, is not on the date hereof and will not be on the applicable Delivery Date (as defined herein), an "ineligible issuer" (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act).

(e) The Registration Statement conformed and will conform in all material respects on the Effective Date and on the applicable Delivery Date, and any amendment to the Registration Statement filed after the date hereof will conform in all material respects when filed, to the requirements of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder. The most recent Preliminary Prospectus conformed, and the Prospectus will conform, in all material respects when filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act and on the applicable Delivery Date to the requirements of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder.

(f) The Registration Statement did not, as of the Effective Date, contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; *provided* that no representation or warranty is made as to information contained in or omitted from the Registration Statement in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Partnership through the Representatives by or on behalf of any Underwriter specifically for inclusion therein, which information is specified in <u>Section 8(b)</u>.

(g) The Prospectus will not, as of its date or as of the applicable Delivery Date, contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; *provided* that no representation or warranty is made as to information contained in or omitted from the Prospectus in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Partnership through the Representatives by or on behalf of any Underwriter specifically for inclusion therein, which information is specified in <u>Section 8(b)</u>.

(h) The Pricing Disclosure Package did not, as of the Applicable Time, contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; *provided* that no representation or warranty is made as to information contained in or omitted from the Pricing Disclosure Package in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Partnership through the Representatives by or on behalf of any Underwriter specifically for inclusion therein, which information is specified in <u>Section 8(b)</u>.

(i) Each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus listed in <u>Schedule III</u> hereto, when taken together with the Pricing Disclosure Package, did not, as of the Applicable Time, contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; *provided* that no representation or warranty is made as to information contained in or omitted from such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus listed in <u>Schedule III</u> hereto in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Partnership through the Representatives by or on behalf of any Underwriter specifically for inclusion therein, which information is specified in <u>Section 8(b)</u>.

(j) Each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus conformed or will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder on the date of first use, and the Partnership has complied with all prospectus delivery and any filing requirements applicable to such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus pursuant to the Securities Act and rules and regulations thereunder. The Partnership has not made any offer relating to the Units that would constitute an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus without the prior written consent of the Representatives. The Partnership has retained in accordance with the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder all Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses that were not required to be filed pursuant to the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder. The Partnership has taken all actions necessary so that any "road show" (as defined in Rule 433 under the Securities Act) in connection with the offering of the Units will not be required to be filed pursuant to the Securities and regulations thereunder.

(k) Each of the statements made by the Partnership in the Registration Statement and the Pricing Disclosure Package and to be made in the Prospectus (and any supplements thereto) within the coverage of Rule 175(b) under the Securities Act, including, but not limited to, any statements with respect to projected results of operations, estimated cash available for distribution and future cash distributions of the Partnership, and any statements made in support thereof or related thereto under the heading "Cash Distribution Policy and Restrictions on Distributions," was made or will be made with a reasonable basis and in good faith.

(1) Each of the Partnership Parties has been duly organized, is validly existing and in good standing as a limited partnership, limited liability company or corporation, as applicable, under the laws of its jurisdiction of organization with power and authority to own and/or lease its properties and conduct its business as described in the Pricing Disclosure Package; and each of the Partnership Parties is duly qualified to do business as a foreign limited partnership, limited liability company or corporation, as applicable, in good standing in all other jurisdictions in which its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires such qualification, except where the failure to so qualify or to be in good standing in such other jurisdictions would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, (i) result in a material adverse effect on the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, business, management, properties or prospects of the Partnership Entities taken as a whole (a "*Material Adverse Effect*"), or (ii) materially impair the ability of any of the Partnership Entities to consummate the Closing Transactions or any other transactions provided for in this Agreement or the Operative Agreements.

(m) The General Partner has, and at each Delivery Date will have, full limited liability company power and authority to serve as general partner of the Partnership in all material respects as disclosed in the Registration Statement and the most recent Preliminary Prospectus.

(n) The Sponsor owns and, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, will own a 100% membership interest in the General Partner; such membership interest has been duly authorized and validly issued in accordance with the General Partner LLC Agreement, and the Sponsor has no obligation to make further payments for the purchase of such membership interest; and the Sponsor owns and, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, will own such membership interest free and clear of all liens, encumbrances, security interests, equities, charges or claims ("*Liens*"), except for restrictions on transferability contained in the General Partner LLC Agreement or as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, if any.

(o) After giving effect to the Closing Transactions, the Partnership's only "significant" subsidiaries, as defined in Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X, will be Rattler LLC and Tall Towers.

(p) At each applicable Delivery Date, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, all of the membership interests in Rattler LLC will have been duly authorized and validly issued in accordance with the Rattler LLC Agreement, and Energen and the Partnership will have no obligation to make further payments for the purchase of such membership interests; and, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, Energen and the Partnership will own such membership interests in Rattler LLC free and clear of all Liens, except (i) for those arising under the Rattler LLC Credit Agreement, (ii) for restrictions on transferability contained in the Rattler LLC Agreement or (iii) as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, if any.

(q) Rattler LLC owns and, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, will own a 100% membership interest in Tall Towers; such membership interest has been duly authorized and validly issued in accordance with the limited liability company agreement of Tall Towers, dated as of January 24, 2018 (the "*Tall Towers LLC Agreement*"), and Rattler LLC has no obligation to make further payments for the purchase of such membership interest; and Rattler LLC owns and, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, will own such membership interest free and clear of all Liens, except for restrictions on transferability contained in the Tall Towers LLC Agreement or as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, if any.

(r) Rattler LLC owns and, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, will own 10% of the total units outstanding representing common limited partnership interests in EPIC; such partnership interest has been duly authorized and validly issued in accordance with the amended and restated limited partnership agreement of EPIC, dated as of May 10, 2018 (the "*EPIC Partnership Agreement*"), and, except as disclosed in the

Pricing Disclosure Package, Rattler LLC has no obligation to make further payments for the purchase of such membership interest; and Rattler LLC owns and, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, will own such partnership interest free and clear of all Liens, except for restrictions on transferability contained in the EPIC Partnership Agreement or as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, if any.

(s) Rattler LLC owns and, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, will own a 10% membership interest in Gray Oak; such membership interest has been duly authorized and validly issued in accordance with the limited liability company agreement of Gray Oak, dated as of April 23, 2018 (the "*Gray Oak LLC Agreement*"), and, except as disclosed in the Pricing Disclosure Package, Rattler LLC has no obligation to make further payments for the purchase of such membership interest; and Rattler LLC owns and, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, will own such membership interest free and clear of all Liens, except for restrictions on transferability contained in the Gray Oak LLC Agreement or as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, if any.

(t) The General Partner is, and at each applicable Delivery Date, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, will be, the sole general partner of the Partnership. At each applicable Delivery Date, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, the General Partner will own the sole general partner interest in the Partnership (the "*GP Interest*"), which interest will not be entitled to participate in distributions made by the Partnership, except that it will be entitled to a quarterly cash preferred distribution of 2.0% of the GP Capital Contribution, or \$0.02 million, in respect of the GP Interest; after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, the GP Interest will have been duly authorized and validly issued in accordance with the Partnership Agreement, and the General Partner will have no obligation to make further payments for the purchase of the GP Interest; and, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, the General Partner will own the GP Interest free and clear of all Liens, except for restrictions on transferability contained in the Partnership Agreement or as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, if any.

(u) At each applicable Delivery Date, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, Energen will own all of the Class B Units, which Class B Units will not be entitled to participate in distributions made by the Partnership, except that they will be entitled to an aggregate quarterly cash preferred distribution of 2.0% of the aggregate \$1 million capital contribution amount made in respect of such Class B Units; after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, the Class B Units will have been duly authorized and validly issued in accordance with the Partnership Agreement, and Energen will have no obligation to make further payments for the purchase of such Class B Units; and, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, Energen will own all of the Class B Units free and clear of all Liens, except for restrictions on transferability contained in the Partnership Agreement or as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, if any.

(v) At each applicable Delivery Date, the Units to be sold by the Partnership and the limited partner interests represented thereby will have been duly authorized in accordance with the Partnership Agreement and, when issued and delivered to the Underwriters against payment therefor in accordance with this Agreement, will have been validly issued; the unitholders purchasing such Units will not have any obligation to make further payments for the purchase of such Units. At the Initial Delivery Date, after giving effect to the offering of the Firm Units as contemplated by this Agreement (and assuming no exercise of the option provided in <u>Section 2</u> hereof), the issued and outstanding limited partnership interests of the Partnership will consist of 38,000,000 Common Units and 107,815,152 Class B Units.

(w) The Units, when issued and delivered in accordance with the terms of the Partnership Agreement and this Agreement against payment therefor as provided therein and herein, and the Class B Units, when issued and delivered in accordance with the terms of the Partnership Agreement, will conform in all material respects to the description thereof contained in the Registration Statement and the Pricing Disclosure Package and to be contained in the Prospectus.

(x) Except as described in the Registration Statement and the Pricing Disclosure Package, there are no profits interests, options, warrants, preemptive rights, rights of first refusal or other rights to subscribe for or to purchase, nor any restriction upon the voting or transfer of, any equity securities of any of the Partnership Entities, in each case pursuant to the Organizational Agreement of any such Partnership Entity, the certificates of limited partnership or formation or any other organizational documents of any such Partnership Entity or any other agreement or other instrument to which any such Partnership Entity is a party or by which any such Partnership Entity may be bound. Except for such rights that have been waived or as described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, neither the filing of the Registration Statement nor the offering or sale of the Units as contemplated by this Agreement gives rise to any rights for or relating to the registration of any Common Units or other securities of the Partnership.

(y) Each of the Partnership Parties has all requisite power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Agreement. The Partnership has all requisite limited partnership power and authority to issue, sell and deliver (i) the Units in accordance with and upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, the Partnership Agreement, the Registration Statement and the most recent Preliminary Prospectus and (ii) the Class B Units in accordance with and upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement. At each Delivery Date, all limited partnership, limited liability company or corporate action, as the case may be, required to be taken by any of the Partnership Parties or any of their respective unitholders, members, partners or stockholders for the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the Units, the Class B Units, the execution and delivery of the Operative Agreements and the consummation of any other transactions contemplated by this Agreement shall have been validly taken.

(z) This Agreement has been duly and validly authorized, executed and delivered by each of the Partnership Parties.

(aa) The statements in the Registration Statement and Pricing Disclosure Package under the captions "Description of Our Units," "How We Make Distributions," "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations—Capital Resources and Liquidity—Revolving Credit Facility," "Our Partnership Agreement," "Rattler LLC Limited Liability Company Agreement," "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions—Agreements with our Affiliates in Connection with the Transactions" and "United States Federal Income Tax Considerations," insofar as they purport to summarize the provisions of the legal matters and documents referred to therein, are accurate summaries in all material respects. There are no contracts or other documents required to be described in the Registration Statement or the most recent Preliminary Prospectus or filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement, that are not described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and filed as required. The statements made in the most recent Preliminary Prospectus, insofar as they purport to constitute summaries of the terms of the contracts and other documents described and filed, constitute accurate summaries of the terms of such contracts and documents in all material respects.

(bb) The Common Units have been approved for listing on The Nasdaq Global Select Market (the "*Nasdaq*"), subject to notice of issuance.

(cc) The Partnership has not distributed and, prior to the later to occur of any Delivery Date and completion of the distribution of the Units, will not distribute any offering material in connection with the offering and sale of the Units other than any Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus and any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus to which the Representatives have consented in accordance with <u>Section 5(a)(vi)</u>, any press release or other announcement permitted by Rule 134 or Rule 135 under the Securities Act and, in connection with the directed unit program described in the Registration Statement under the caption "Underwriting—Directed Unit Program," the enrollment materials prepared by Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated ("*Merrill Lynch*") on behalf of the Partnership.

(dd) No consent, approval, authorization, or order of, or filing or registration with, any governmental agency or body or any court having jurisdiction over any of the Partnership Entities or any of their properties or assets is required to be obtained or made by the Partnership for the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement in connection with the sale of the Units or the consummation of the Closing Transactions, except such as (i) have been obtained or made, (ii) may be required under state securities laws, the Securities Act or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "*Exchange Act*"), by the Nasdaq or by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("*FINRA*") (iii) may be necessary under the securities laws and regulations of foreign jurisdictions and (iv) the absence or omission of which would not reasonably be expected to materially impair the ability of any of the Partnership Entities to consummate the Closing Transactions or any other transactions provided for in this Agreement or the Operative Agreements.

(ee) Except as disclosed in the Pricing Disclosure Package, after giving effect to the Closing Transactions, each of the Partnership Entities will have good and marketable title to all real and personal property reflected in the Pricing Disclosure Package as assets owned

by it, in each case free and clear of all liens, encumbrances and defects, except such as (i) are described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus or (ii) do not materially affect the value of the properties of the Partnership Entities and do not interfere in any material respect with the use made or proposed to be made of such properties by the Partnership Entities.

(ff) Each of the Partnership Entities has such consents, easements, rights-of-way or licenses from any person (collectively, "*rights-of-way*") as are necessary to enable it to conduct its business in the manner described in the Pricing Disclosure Package, subject to qualifications as may be set forth in the Pricing Disclosure Package, except where failure to have such rights-of-way would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect.

(gg) The information contained in the Pricing Disclosure Package regarding the estimated net proved reserves of the Sponsor as of December 31, 2018 is based upon the reserve report prepared by Ryder Scott Company, L.P.; and such estimate fairly reflects, in all material respects, the oil and natural gas reserves of the Sponsor as of December 31, 2018 and is in accordance, in all material respects, with Commission rules and guidelines that are currently in effect for oil and gas producing companies applied on a consistent basis throughout the period covered.

(hh) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the Operative Agreements by the Partnership Parties thereto, the issuance and sale of the Units by the Partnership, and the consummation of the Prior Transactions, Closing Transactions and the other transactions contemplated hereby will not result in a breach or violation of any of the terms and provisions of, or constitute a default under, or result in the imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Partnership Entities pursuant to (i) the Organizational Agreements, the certificates of limited partnership or formation or any other organizational document of any Partnership Entity, (ii) any statute, rule, regulation or order of any governmental agency or body or any court, domestic or foreign, having jurisdiction over the Partnership Entities or any of their respective properties or (iii) any agreement or instrument to which any of the Partnership Entities is a party or by which any of the Partnership Entities is subject, except in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii), for any breaches, violations, defaults, liens, charges or encumbrances, which, individually or in the aggregate, would not result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(ii) None of the Partnership Entities (i) is in violation of its respective charter, limited partnership agreement, limited liability company agreement or similar organizational documents, (ii) is in default (or with the giving of notice or lapse of time would be in default) under any existing obligation, agreement, covenant or condition contained in any indenture, loan agreement, mortgage, lease or other agreement or instrument to which any of them is a party or by which any of them is bound or to which any of the properties of any of them is subject or (iii) is in violation of any statute or any order, rule or regulation of any court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over it or its property or assets, except in the case of clauses (ii) and (iii), to the extent any such violation or default would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(jj) The Partnership Entities possess all adequate certificates, authorizations, franchises, licenses and permits issued by appropriate federal, state, local or foreign regulatory bodies (collectively, "*Licenses*") necessary or material to the conduct of the business now conducted or proposed in the Pricing Disclosure Package to be conducted by them, except where the failure to have obtained the same would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. The Partnership Entities are in compliance with the terms and conditions of all such Licenses, except where the failure to so comply would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Effect, and have not received any notice of proceedings relating to the revocation or modification of any Licenses that, if determined adversely to a Partnership Entity, would reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(kk) Except as disclosed in the Pricing Disclosure Package, (a)(i) none of the Partnership Entities is in violation of, and does not have any liability under, any federal, state, local or non-U.S. statute, law, rule, regulation, ordinance, code, other requirement or rule of law (including common law), or decision or order of any domestic or foreign governmental agency, governmental body or court, relating to pollution, to the use, handling, transportation, treatment, storage, discharge, disposal or release of Hazardous Substances (as defined herein), to the protection or restoration of the environment or natural resources, to health and safety including as such relates to exposure to Hazardous Substances, and to natural resource damages (collectively, "Environmental Laws"), (ii) to the knowledge of the Partnership Parties, none of the Partnership Entities owns, occupies, operates or uses any real property contaminated with Hazardous Substances, (iii) none of the Partnership Entities is conducting or funding any investigation, remediation, remedial action or monitoring of actual or suspected Hazardous Substances in the environment, (iv) to the knowledge of the Partnership Parties, none of the Partnership Entities is liable or allegedly liable for any release or threatened release of Hazardous Substances, including at any off-site treatment, storage or disposal site, (v) none of the Partnership Entities is subject to any pending, or to the Partnership Parties' knowledge threatened, claim by any governmental agency or governmental body or person arising under Environmental Laws or relating to Hazardous Substances, and (vi) the Partnership Entities have received and are in compliance with all, and have no liability under any, permits, licenses, authorizations, identification numbers or other approvals required under applicable Environmental Laws to conduct their business, except in each case covered by clauses (i) – (vi) such as would not, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Effect; (b) to the knowledge of the Partnership Parties, there are no facts or circumstances that would reasonably be expected to result in a violation of, liability under, or claim pursuant to any Environmental Law that would result in a Material Adverse Effect; and (c) in the ordinary course of its business, the Partnership Entities periodically evaluate the effect, including associated costs and liabilities, of Environmental Laws on the business, properties, results of operations and financial condition of the Partnership, and, on the basis of such evaluation, the Partnership Entities have reasonably concluded that such Environmental Laws will not, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse

Effect. For purposes of this <u>Section 1(kk)</u>, "*Hazardous Substances*" means (A) petroleum and petroleum products, by-products or breakdown products, radioactive materials, asbestos-containing materials, polychlorinated biphenyls and mold, and (B) any other chemical, material or substance defined or regulated as toxic or hazardous or as a pollutant, contaminant or waste under Environmental Laws.

(ll) Each Partnership Entity's information technology assets and equipment, computers, systems, networks, hardware, software, websites, applications, and databases (collectively, "*IT Systems*") are adequate for, and operate and perform in all material respects as required in connection with the operation of the business of such Partnership Entity as currently conducted, free and clear of all material bugs, errors, defects, Trojan horses, time bombs, malware and other corruptants. Each Partnership Entity has implemented and maintained commercially reasonable controls, policies, procedures, and safeguards to maintain and protect its material confidential information and the integrity, continuous operation, redundancy and security of all IT Systems and data (including all personal, personally identifiable, sensitive, confidential or regulated data ("*Personal Data*")) used in connection with its business, and there have been no breaches, violations, outages or unauthorized uses of or accesses to the same, except for those that (i) have been remedied without material cost or liability or the duty to notify any other person and (ii) will not, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Effect, nor in either case any incidents under internal review or investigations relating to the same. Each Partnership Entity is presently in material compliance with all applicable laws or statutes and all judgments, orders, rules and regulations of any court or arbitrator or governmental or regulatory authority, internal policies and contractual obligations relating to the privacy and security of IT Systems and Personal Data and to the protection of such IT Systems and Personal Data from unauthorized use, access, misappropriation or modification.

(mm) None of the Partnership Entities has taken, directly or indirectly, any action that is designed to or that has constituted or that would reasonably be expected to cause or result in the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Partnership to facilitate the sale or resale of the Units.

(nn) The Partnership has not sold or issued any securities that would be integrated with the offering of the Units contemplated by this Agreement pursuant to the Securities Act, the rules and regulations thereunder or the interpretations thereof by the Commission.

(oo) Except as disclosed in the Pricing Disclosure Package, there are no contracts, agreements or understandings between the Partnership and any person that would give rise to a valid claim against the Partnership or any Underwriter for a brokerage commission, finder's fee or other like payment in connection with the offering and sale of the Units.

(pp) Any third-party statistical and market-related data included in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Pricing Disclosure Package are based on or derived from sources that the Partnership believes to be reliable and accurate in all material respects.

(qq) Except as set forth in the Pricing Disclosure Package, the Partnership, its subsidiaries, the officers of the General Partner and the Board are in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, the Exchange Act and the rules of the Nasdaq (the "*Nasdaq Rules*"). The Partnership maintains a system of internal controls, including, but not limited to, procedures and internal controls over accounting matters and financial reporting (collectively, "*Internal Controls*") that comply with the applicable provisions of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder and the Nasdaq Rules and are sufficient to provide reasonable assurances that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorizations, (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("*GAAP*") and to maintain accountability for assets, (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization, and (iv) the recorded accounting for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences. The Internal Controls will, upon consummation of the Offering, be overseen by the Audit Committee of the Board (the "*Audit Committee*") in accordance with the Nasdaq Rules. The Partnership has not publicly disclosed or report to the Audit Committee or the Board, and within the next 135 days the Partnership does not reasonably expect to publicly disclose or report to the Audit Committee or the Board, a significant deficiency, material weakness or fraud involving management or other employees who have a significant role in Internal Controls, any violation of, or failure to comply with, the applicable provisions of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder and the Nasdaq Rules, or any matter which, if determined adversely, would result in a Material

(rr) The Partnership and its subsidiaries maintain an effective system of "disclosure controls and procedures" (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) of the Exchange Act) that complies with the requirements of the Exchange Act and that has been designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Partnership in reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms, including controls and procedures designed to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Partnership's management as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Partnership and its subsidiaries have carried out evaluations of the effectiveness of their disclosure controls and procedures as required by Rule 13a-15 of the Exchange Act.

(ss) Except as disclosed in the Pricing Disclosure Package, there are no pending actions, suits or proceedings (including any inquiries or investigations by any court or governmental agency or body, domestic or foreign) against or affecting the Partnership Entities or, to the knowledge of the Partnership Parties, any of their respective properties that, if determined adversely to a Partnership Entity, would reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Effect, or would materially and adversely affect the ability of the Partnership Parties to perform their respective obligations under this Agreement or consummate the Closing Transactions, or which are otherwise material in the context of the sale of the Units; and no such actions, suits or proceedings (including any inquiries or investigations by any court or governmental agency or body, domestic or foreign) are, to the knowledge of the Partnership Parties, threatened or contemplated.

(tt) The historical financial statements included in the Registration Statement and the Pricing Disclosure Package present fairly in all material respects the financial position of each of Rattler LLC and Fasken Midland LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Fasken Midland"), as of the dates shown, and such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GAAP, applied on a consistent basis; and the pro forma financial information included in the balance sheet of the Partnership as of December 31, 2018, included in the Pricing Disclosure Package, has been prepared in accordance with the applicable accounting requirements of the Commission, and the pro forma column therein reflects the proper application of adjustments, described therein, to the corresponding historical financial statement amounts. Grant Thornton LLP has certified the audited financial statements of each of Rattler LLC and Fasken Midland included in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, and is an independent registered public accounting firm with respect to each of Rattler LLC and Fasken Midland as required by the Securities Act and the applicable rules and guidance from the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). The other financial and statistical data included in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus present fairly, in all material respects, the information shown therein and such data has been compiled on a basis consistent with the financial statements presented therein and the books and records of the Partnership Entities. The Partnership Entities do not have any material liabilities or obligations, direct or contingent (including any off-balance sheet obligations or any "variable interest entities" within the meaning of Financial Accounting Standards Board Interpretation No. 46), not disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus. There are no financial statements that are required to be included in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package or the Prospectus that are not included as required.

(uu) Except as disclosed in the Pricing Disclosure Package, since the end of the period covered by the latest audited financial statements included in the Pricing Disclosure Package, (i) there has been no change, nor any development or event involving a prospective change, in the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, business, management, properties or prospects of the Partnership Entities, taken as a whole, that is material and adverse, (ii) there has been no dividend or distribution of any kind declared, paid or made by the Partnership on any Common Units, (iii) there has been no material adverse change in the Common Units, short-term indebtedness, long-term indebtedness, net current assets or net assets of the Partnership Entities, (iv) there has been no material transaction entered into and there is no material transaction that is probable of being entered into by the Partnership Entities other than transactions in the ordinary course of business and (v) there has been no obligation, direct or contingent, that is material to the Partnership Entities taken as a whole, incurred by the Partnership Entities, except obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business.

(vv) None of the Partnership Entities is, and, after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Units and the application of the proceeds thereof as described in the Pricing Disclosure Package, none of the Partnership Entities will be, an "investment company" as defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "*Investment Company Act*").

(ww) Prior to the Initial Delivery Date, the Partnership will have properly elected to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation for United States federal income tax purposes. Each of the Partnership Entities other than the Partnership is properly treated as a partnership or disregarded as an entity separate from its owner for United States federal income tax purposes.

(xx) No "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" as such term is defined for purposes of Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act has rated any securities of the Partnership.

(yy) Except as disclosed in the Registration Statement and the Pricing Disclosure Package, the Partnership Entities are insured by insurers of recognized financial responsibility against such losses and risks and in such amounts as the Partnership reasonably believes are adequate for the conduct of their business. All such policies of insurance insuring the Partnership Entities are in full force and effect. The Partnership Entities are in compliance with the terms of such policies and instruments in all material respects; and there are no material claims by the Partnership Entities under any such policy or instrument as to which any insurance company is denying liability or defending under a reservation of rights clause. None of the Partnership Entities has any reason to believe that any of them will not be able to renew its existing insurance coverage as and when such coverage expires or to obtain similar coverage from similar insurers as may be necessary to continue its business at a cost that would not reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, except as disclosed in the Registration Statement and the Pricing Disclosure Package.

(zz) Each contract, document or other agreement described or referred to in the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus (other than this Agreement) is (or will be after completion of the Closing Transactions) in full force and effect and (assuming that such contracts and documents constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of the other persons party thereto) is valid and enforceable by and against the parties thereto in accordance with its terms except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by (A) bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws relating to or affecting creditors' rights generally and by general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and (B) public policy, applicable law relating to fiduciary duties and indemnification and an implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing, and except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. None of the Partnership Entities nor, to the knowledge of the Partnership Parties, any other party is in default in the observance or performance of any material term or obligation to be performed by it under any such agreement.

(aaa) The Partnership Entities have filed all federal, state, local and non-U.S. tax returns that are required to be filed or have requested extensions thereof (except in any case in which the failure so to file would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect); and, except as set forth in the Pricing Disclosure Package, the Partnership

Entities have paid all taxes (including any assessments, fines or penalties) required to be paid by them, except for any such taxes, assessments, fines or penalties currently being contested in good faith or as would not reasonably be expected to, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(bbb) No relationship, direct or indirect, exists between or among any of the Partnership Entities on the one hand, and the directors, officers, unitholders, customers or suppliers of the Partnership Entities on the other hand, which is required to be described in the Pricing Disclosure Package which is not so described therein. The Prospectus will contain the same description of the matters set forth in the preceding sentence contained in the Pricing Disclosure Package.

(ccc) None of the Partnership Entities or, to the knowledge of the Partnership Parties, any director, officer, agent, employee, affiliate or other person associated with or acting on behalf of the Partnership Entities has (i) used any corporate funds for any unlawful contribution, gift, entertainment or other unlawful expense relating to political activity; (ii) made any direct or indirect unlawful payment or otherwise unlawfully provided anything of value to any foreign or domestic government official or employee, political party or official thereof, any candidate for political office and/or any other person while knowing that all or a portion of the payment will be offered, given or promised to any of the foregoing persons from corporate funds; (iii) violated or is in violation of any provision of U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977 or other applicable anti-bribery or anti-corruption laws or regulations; or (iv) made any bribe, unlawful rebate, payoff, influence payment, kickback or other unlawful payment to any domestic government official or any foreign official or other foreign government employee. The Partnership Entities have instituted, maintain and enforce policies and procedures designed to promote and ensure compliance with all applicable anti-bribery and anti-corruption laws or regulations.

(dd) The operations of the Partnership Entities are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements, including those of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the Bank Secrecy Act, as amended by Title III of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (USA Patriot Act), the anti-money laundering statutes of all jurisdictions, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental agency (collectively, the "Anti-Money Laundering Laws") and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving any of the Partnership Entities with respect to the Anti-Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the knowledge of the Partnership Entities, threatened.

(eee) None of the Partnership Entities or, to the knowledge of the Partnership Entities, any director, officer, agent, employee or affiliate of the Partnership Entities is an individual or entity ("*Person*") currently subject to or the target of any sanctions administered or enforced by the U.S. government (including, without limitation, the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("*OFAC*") or the U.S. Department of State and including, without limitation, the designation as a "specially designated national"

or "blocked person"), the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, Her Majesty's Treasury, or other relevant sanctions authority) (collectively, "*Sanctions*"), nor are any of the Partnership Entities located, organized or resident in a country or territory that is the subject of Sanctions, including, without limitation, Crimea, Cuba, Iran, North Korea and Syria (each, a "*Sanctioned Country*"); and the Partnership Entities will not directly or indirectly use the proceeds of the offering, or lend, knowingly contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other Person (i) for the purpose of financing or facilitating activities or business of any person that, at the time of such financing or facilitation, is subject to or the target of Sanctions, (ii) for the purpose of financing or facilitating activities or business in or involving any Sanctioned Country, or (iii) in any other manner that will result in a violation by any Person (including any Person participating in the offering, whether as underwriter, advisor, investor or otherwise) of Sanctions.

(fff) After giving effect to the Closing Transactions, except as described in the Registration Statement and the Pricing Disclosure Package, Rattler LLC will not be prohibited, directly or indirectly, from paying any distributions to the Partnership, from making any other distribution on such subsidiary's equity interests, from repaying to the Partnership any loans or advances to such subsidiary from the Partnership or from transferring any of such subsidiary's property or assets to the Partnership or any other subsidiary of the Partnership.

Any certificate signed by any officer of the General Partner and delivered to the Representatives or counsel for the Underwriters in connection with the offering of the Units shall be deemed a representation and warranty by the Partnership, as to matters covered thereby, to each Underwriter.

2. *Purchase of the Units by the Underwriters.* On the basis of the representations, warranties and covenants contained in, and subject to the terms and conditions of, this Agreement, the Partnership agrees to sell 38,000,000 Firm Units to the several Underwriters, and each of the Underwriters, severally and not jointly, agrees to purchase the number of Firm Units set forth opposite that Underwriter's name in <u>Schedule I</u> hereto. The respective purchase obligations of the Underwriters with respect to the Firm Units shall be rounded among the Underwriters to avoid fractional Common Units, as the Representatives may determine.

In addition, the Partnership grants to the Underwriters an option to purchase up to 5,700,000 Option Units. Each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase the number of Option Units (subject to such adjustments to eliminate fractional Common Units as the Representatives may determine) that bears the same proportion to the total number of Option Units to be sold on such Delivery Date as the number of Firm Units set forth in <u>Schedule I</u> hereto opposite the name of such Underwriter bears to the total number of Firm Units.

The purchase price payable by the Underwriters for the Firm Units and any Option Units is \$16.625 per Unit.

The Partnership is not obligated to deliver any of the Firm Units or Option Units, as applicable, to be delivered on the applicable Delivery Date, except upon payment for all such Units to be purchased on such Delivery Date as provided herein.

3. *Offering of Units by the Underwriters*. Upon authorization by the Representatives of the release of the Firm Units, the several Underwriters propose to offer the Firm Units for sale upon the terms and conditions to be set forth in the Prospectus.

4. Delivery of and Payment for the Units. Delivery of and payment for the Firm Units shall be made at 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on May 28, 2019 or at such other date or place as shall be determined by agreement between the Representatives and the Partnership. This date and time are sometimes referred to as the "*Initial Delivery Date*." Delivery of the Firm Units shall be made to the Representatives for the account of each Underwriter against payment by the several Underwriters through the Representatives of the respective aggregate purchase prices of the Firm Units being sold by the Partnership to or upon the order of the Partnership by wire transfer in immediately available funds to the accounts specified by the Partnership. Time shall be of the essence, and delivery at the time and place specified pursuant to this Agreement is a further condition of the obligation of each Underwriter hereunder. The Partnership shall deliver the Firm Units through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company ("*DTC*") unless the Representatives shall otherwise instruct.

The option granted in <u>Section 2</u> will expire 30 days after the date of this Agreement and may be exercised in whole or from time to time in part by written notice being given to the Partnership by the Representatives; *provided* that if such date falls on a day that is not a business day, the option granted in <u>Section 2</u> will expire on the next succeeding business day. Such notice shall set forth the aggregate number of Option Units as to which the option is being exercised, the names in which the Option Units are to be registered, the denominations in which the Option Units are to be issued and the date and time, as determined by the Representatives, when the Option Units are to be delivered; *provided*, *however*, that this date and time shall not be earlier than the Initial Delivery Date nor earlier than the second business day after the date on which the option shall have been exercised. Each date and time any Option Units are delivered is sometimes referred to as an "*Option Unit Delivery Date*," and the Initial Delivery Date and any Option Unit Delivery Date are sometimes each referred to as a "*Delivery Date*."

Delivery of the Option Units by the Partnership and payment for the Option Units by the several Underwriters through the Representatives shall be made at 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on the date specified in the corresponding notice described in the preceding paragraph or at such other date or place as shall be determined by agreement between the Representatives and the Partnership. On each Option Unit Delivery Date, the Partnership shall deliver or cause to be delivered the Option Units to the Representatives for the account of each Underwriter against payment by the several Underwriters through the Representatives of the aggregate purchase price of the Option Units being sold by the Partnership to or upon the order of the Partnership by wire transfer in immediately available funds to the accounts specified by the Partnership. Time shall be of the essence, and delivery at the time and place specified pursuant to this Agreement is a further condition of the obligation of each Underwriter hereunder. The Partnership shall deliver the Option Units through the facilities of DTC unless the Representatives shall otherwise instruct.

### 5. Further Agreements.

(a) The Partnership Parties jointly and severally covenant and agree with each of the Underwriters:

(i) To prepare the Prospectus in a form approved by the Representatives and to file such Prospectus pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act not later than the Commission's close of business on the second business day following the execution and delivery of this Agreement; to make no further amendment or any supplement to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus prior to the last Delivery Date except as provided herein; to advise the Representatives, promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the time when any amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus has been filed and to furnish the Representatives with copies thereof; to advise the Representatives, promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order or of any order preventing or suspending the use of the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, of the suspension of the qualification of the Units for offering or sale in any jurisdiction, of the initiation or threatening of any proceeding or examination for any such purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act or of any request by the Commission for the amending or supplementing of the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or for additional information; and, in the event of the issuance of any stop order or of any order preventing or suspending the use of the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or suspending any such qualification, to use promptly their best efforts to obtain its withdrawal.

(ii) To furnish promptly to the Representatives and to counsel for the Underwriters a signed copy of the Registration Statement as originally filed with the Commission, and each amendment thereto filed with the Commission, including all consents and exhibits filed therewith.

(iii) To deliver promptly to the Representatives such number of the following documents as the Representatives shall reasonably request: (A) conformed copies of the Registration Statement as originally filed with the Commission and each amendment thereto (in each case excluding exhibits other than this Agreement), (B) each Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus and any amended or supplemented Prospectus and (C) each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus; and, if the delivery of a prospectus is required at any time after the date hereof in connection with the offering or sale of the Units or any other securities relating thereto and if at such time any event shall have occurred as a result of which the Prospectus as then amended or supplemented (or the Pricing Disclosure Package for the period of time before the Prospectus is available) would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made when such Prospectus (or the Pricing Disclosure Package, as applicable) is delivered, not misleading, or, if for any other reason it shall be necessary to

amend or supplement the Prospectus (or the Pricing Disclosure Package, as applicable) in order to comply with the Securities Act, to notify the Representatives and, upon request, to file such document and to prepare and furnish without charge to each Underwriter and to any dealer in securities as many copies as the Representatives may from time to time reasonably request of an amended or supplemented Prospectus (or the Pricing Disclosure Package, as applicable) that will correct such statement or omission or effect such compliance.

(iv) Subject to clause (v) below, to file promptly with the Commission any amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus that may, in the judgment of the Partnership or the Representatives, be required by the Securities Act or requested by the Commission.

(v) Prior to filing with the Commission any amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, to furnish a copy thereof to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters and obtain the consent of the Representatives to the filing.

(vi) Not to make any offer relating to the Units that would constitute an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus without the prior written consent of the Representatives.

(vii) To comply with all applicable requirements of Rule 433 under the Securities Act with respect to any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus. If at any time after the date hereof any event shall have occurred as a result of which any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, as then amended or supplemented, would conflict with the information in the Registration Statement, the most recent Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus or would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, or, if for any other reason it shall be necessary to amend or supplement any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, to notify the Representatives and, upon request, to file such document and to prepare and furnish without charge to each Underwriter as many copies as the Representatives may from time to time reasonably request of an amended or supplemented Issuer Free Writing Prospectus that will correct such conflict, statement or omission or effect such compliance.

(viii) As soon as practicable after the Effective Date (it being understood that the Partnership shall have until at least 410 days or, if the fourth quarter following the fiscal quarter that includes the Effective Date is the last fiscal quarter of the Partnership's fiscal year, 455 days after the end of the Partnership's current fiscal quarter), to make generally available to the Partnership's security holders and to deliver to the Representatives an earnings statement of the Partnership (which need not be audited) complying with Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and the rules and regulations thereunder (including, at the option of the Partnership, Rule 158).

(ix) Promptly from time to time to take such action as the Representatives may reasonably request to qualify the Units for offering and sale under the securities or Blue Sky laws of such jurisdictions as the Representatives may request and to comply with such laws so as to permit the continuance of sales and dealings therein in such jurisdictions for as long as may be necessary to complete the distribution of the Units; *provided* that in connection therewith the Partnership shall not be required to (i) qualify as a foreign entity in any jurisdiction in which it would not otherwise be required to so qualify, (ii) file a general consent to service of process in any such jurisdiction, or (iii) subject itself to taxation in any jurisdiction in which it would not otherwise be subject.

(x) For a period commencing on the date hereof and ending on the 180th day after the date of the Prospectus (the "Lock-Up Period"), not to, directly or indirectly, (A) offer for sale, sell, pledge, or otherwise dispose of (or enter into any transaction or device that is designed to, or could be expected to, result in the disposition by any person at any time in the future of) any Common Units, Class B Units or securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Units or Class B Units (other than (i) the Units, (ii) Common Units issued pursuant to employee benefit plans, qualified option plans or other employee compensation plans existing on the date hereof and described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, (iii) the Class B Units issued to Energen pursuant to the Partnership Agreement, the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and (iv) any exchange or redemption at any time or from time to time of any Class B Units and Rattler LLC Units held by Energen with Rattler LLC or the Partnership), (B) enter into any swap or other derivatives transaction that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic benefits or risks of ownership of such Common Units or Class B Units, whether any such transaction described in clause (A) or (B) above is to be settled by delivery of Common Units, Class B Units or other securities, in cash or otherwise, (C) confidentially submit or file, or cause to be confidentially submitted or filed, a registration statement, including any amendments thereto, with respect to the registration of any Common Units, Class B Units or securities convertible, exercisable or exchangeable into Common Units, Class B Units or any other securities of the Partnership (other than any registration statement on Form S-8), or (D) publicly disclose the intention to do any of the foregoing, in each case without the prior written consent of the Representatives and to cause each officer and director of the General Partner and unitholder of the Partnership set forth on Schedule IV hereto to furnish to the Representatives prior to the Initial Delivery Date, a letter or letters, substantially in the form of Exhibit A hereto (the "Lock-Up Agreements").

(xi) If the Representatives, in their sole discretion, agree to release or waive the restrictions set forth in a Lock-Up Agreement for an officer or director of the General Partner and provide the Partnership with notice of the impending release or waiver at least three business days before the effective date of the release or waiver, the Partnership agrees to announce the impending release or waiver by issuing a press release substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit B</u> hereto, and containing

such other information as the Representatives may require with respect to the circumstances of the release or waiver and/or the identity of the officer(s) and/or director(s) with respect to which the release or waiver applies, through a major news service at least two business days before the effective date of the release or waiver.

(xii) To apply the net proceeds from the sale of the Units being sold by the Partnership substantially in accordance with the description as set forth in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus under the caption "Use of Proceeds."

(xiii) To file with the Commission such information on Form 10-Q or Form 10-K as may be required by Rule 463 under the Securities Act.

(xiv) If the Partnership elects to rely upon Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, the Partnership shall file a Rule 462(b) Registration Statement with the Commission in compliance with Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act by 10:00 P.M., Washington, D.C. time, on the date of this Agreement, and the Partnership shall at the time of filing pay the Commission the filing fee for the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement.

(xv) The Partnership will promptly notify the Representatives if the Partnership ceases to be an Emerging Growth Company at any time prior to the later of (A) the time when a prospectus relating to the offering or sale of the Units or any other securities relating thereto is not required by the Securities Act to be delivered (whether physically or through compliance with Rule 172 under the Securities Act or any similar rule) and (B) completion of the Lock-Up Period.

(xvi) The Partnership and its affiliates will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that has constituted or that reasonably would be expected to cause or result in the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Partnership in connection with the offering of the Units.

(xvii) The Partnership will do and perform all things required or necessary to be done and performed under this Agreement by it prior to each Delivery Date, and to satisfy all conditions precedent to the Underwriters' obligations hereunder to purchase the Units.

(b) Each Underwriter severally agrees that such Underwriter shall not include any "issuer information" (as defined in Rule 433 under the Securities Act) in any "free writing prospectus" (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) used or referred to by such Underwriter without the prior consent of the Partnership (any such issuer information with respect to whose use the Partnership has given its consent, "*Permitted Issuer Information*"); *provided* that (i) no such consent shall be required with respect to any such issuer information contained in any document filed by the Partnership with the Commission prior to the use of such free writing prospectus or any issuer free writing prospectus listed on <u>Schedule III</u> hereto, and (ii) "issuer information," as used in this <u>Section 5(b)</u>, shall not be deemed to include information prepared by or on behalf of such Underwriter on the basis of or derived from issuer information.

6. *Expenses*. The Partnership agrees, whether or not the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are consummated or this Agreement is terminated, to pay all expenses, costs, fees and taxes incident to and in connection with (a) the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the Units and any stamp duties or other taxes payable in that connection, and the preparation and printing of certificates for the Units; (b) the preparation, printing and filing under the Securities Act of the Registration Statement (including any exhibits thereto), any Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any Written Testing-the-Waters Communication, and any amendment or supplement thereto; (c) the distribution of the Registration Statement (including any exhibits thereto), any Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any Written Testing-the-Waters Communication, and any amendment or supplement thereto, all as provided in this Agreement; (d) the production and distribution of this Agreement, and any supplementary agreement among the Underwriters, and any other related documents in connection with the offering, purchase, sale and delivery of the Units; (e) any required review by FINRA of the terms of sale of the Units (including related fees and expenses of counsel to the Underwriters in an amount that is not greater than \$20,000); (f) the listing of the Units on the Nasdag; (g) the qualification of the Units under the securities laws of the several jurisdictions as provided in Section 5(a)(ix) and the preparation, printing and distribution of a Blue Sky Memorandum (including related fees and expenses of counsel to the Underwriters); (h) the investor presentations on any "road show" or any Testing-the-Waters Communication, undertaken in connection with the marketing of the Units, including, without limitation, expenses associated with any electronic road show, travel and lodging expenses of the representatives and officers of the Partnership; provided, however, that the Underwriters will pay for 50% of the cost of any aircraft chartered in connection with the road show, except for flights on which there is no representative of the Representatives, in which case, the Partnership will pay for 100% of such cost; and (i) all other costs and expenses incident to the performance of the obligations of the Partnership under this Agreement; provided that, except as provided in this Section 6 and in Section 11, the Underwriters shall pay their own costs and expenses, including the costs and expenses of their counsel, any transfer taxes on the Units which they may sell, the expenses of advertising any offering of the Units made by the Underwriters and the transportation and other expenses incurred by the Underwriters on their own behalf in connection with presentations to prospective purchasers of the Units.

7. *Conditions of Underwriters' Obligations*. The respective obligations of the Underwriters hereunder are subject to the accuracy, when made and on each Delivery Date, of the representations and warranties of the Partnership Parties contained herein, to the performance by the Partnership Parties of their respective obligations hereunder, and to each of the following additional terms and conditions:

(a) The Prospectus shall have been timely filed with the Commission in accordance with <u>Section 5(a)(i)</u>. The Partnership shall have complied with all filing requirements applicable to any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus used or referred to after the date hereof; no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or preventing or suspending the use of the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus shall have been issued and no proceeding or examination for such purpose or pursuant to

Section 8A of the Securities Act shall have been initiated or threatened by the Commission; and any request of the Commission for inclusion of additional information in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus or otherwise shall have been complied with. If the Partnership has elected to rely upon Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement shall have become effective by 10:00 p.m., Washington, D.C. time, on the date of this Agreement.

(b) No Underwriter shall have discovered and disclosed to the Partnership on or prior to such Delivery Date that the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or the Pricing Disclosure Package, or any amendment or supplement thereto, contains an untrue statement of a fact which, in the opinion of Latham & Watkins LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, is material or omits to state a fact which, in the opinion of such counsel, is material and is required to be stated therein or is necessary to make the statements therein not misleading.

(c) All proceedings and other legal matters incident to the authorization, form and validity of this Agreement, the Units, the Operative Agreements, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, and all other legal matters relating to this Agreement and the Transactions contemplated hereby shall be reasonably satisfactory in all material respects to counsel for the Underwriters, and the Partnership shall have furnished to such counsel all documents and information that they may reasonably request to enable them to pass upon such matters.

(d) Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP shall have furnished to the Representatives its written opinion, as counsel to the Partnership Entities, addressed to the Underwriters and dated such Delivery Date, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives.

(e) P. Matt Zmigrosky shall have furnished to the Representatives his written opinion, as general counsel to the Sponsor and the General Partner, addressed to the Underwriters and dated such Delivery Date, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives.

(f) The Representatives shall have received from Latham & Watkins LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, such opinion or opinions, dated such Delivery Date, with respect to the issuance and sale of the Units, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Pricing Disclosure Package and other related matters as the Representatives may reasonably require, and the Partnership Parties shall have furnished to such counsel such documents as they reasonably request for the purpose of enabling them to pass upon such matters.

(g) At the time of execution of this Agreement, the Representatives shall have received from Grant Thornton LLP a letter, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives, addressed to the Underwriters and dated the date hereof (i) confirming that they are independent public accountants within the meaning of the Securities Act and are in compliance with the applicable requirements relating to the qualification of accountants under Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X of the Commission, and (ii) stating, as of the date hereof (or, with respect to matters involving changes or developments since the

respective dates as of which specified financial information is given in the most recent Preliminary Prospectus, as of a date not more than three days prior to the date hereof), the conclusions and findings of such firm with respect to the financial information and other matters ordinarily covered by accountants' "comfort letters" to underwriters in connection with registered public offerings.

(h) With respect to the letter of Grant Thornton LLP referred to in <u>Section 7(g)</u> and delivered to the Representatives concurrently with the execution of this Agreement (the "*initial comfort letter*"), the Partnership shall have furnished to the Representatives a letter (the "*bring-down comfort letter*") of such accountants, addressed to the Underwriters and dated such Delivery Date (i) confirming that they are independent public accountants within the meaning of the Securities Act and are in compliance with the applicable requirements relating to the qualification of accountants under Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X of the Commission, (ii) stating, as of the date of the bring-down comfort letter (or, with respect to matters involving changes or developments since the respective dates as of which specified financial information is given in the Prospectus, as of a date not more than three days prior to the date of the bring-down comfort letter, and (iii) confirming in all material respects the conclusions and findings set forth in the initial comfort letter.

(i) The General Partner shall have furnished to the Representatives a certificate, dated such Delivery Date, of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of the General Partner as to such matters as the Representatives may reasonably request, including, without limitation, a statement that:

(i) The representations, warranties and agreements of the General Partner, the Partnership and Rattler LLC in <u>Section 1</u> are true and correct on and as of such Delivery Date, and each of the General Partner, the Partnership and Rattler LLC has complied with all its agreements contained herein and satisfied all the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied hereunder at or prior to such Delivery Date;

(ii) No stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued; and no proceedings or examination for that purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act have been instituted or, to the knowledge of such officers, threatened; and

(iii) They have examined the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Pricing Disclosure Package, and, in their opinion,
(A) (1) the Registration Statement, as of the Effective Date, (2) the Prospectus, as of its date and on the applicable Delivery Date, and (3) the Pricing Disclosure Package, as of the Applicable Time, did not and do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact and did not and do not omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein (except in the case of the Registration Statement, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made) not misleading, and (B) since the Effective Date, no event has occurred that should have been set forth in a supplement or amendment to the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus that has not been so set forth.

(j) The Sponsor shall have furnished to the Representatives a certificate, dated such Delivery Date, of the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of the Sponsor as to such matters as the Representatives may reasonably request, including, without limitation, a statement that:

(i) The representations, warranties and agreements of the Sponsor in <u>Section 1</u> are true and correct on and as of such Delivery Date, and the Sponsor has complied with all its agreements contained herein and satisfied all the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied hereunder at or prior to such Delivery Date;

(ii) No stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued; and no proceedings or examination for that purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act have been instituted or, to the knowledge of such officers, threatened; and

(iii) They have examined the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the Pricing Disclosure Package, and, in their opinion, (A) (1) the Registration Statement, as of the Effective Date, (2) the Prospectus, as of its date and on the applicable Delivery Date, and (3) the Pricing Disclosure Package, as of the Applicable Time, did not and do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact and did not and do not omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein (except in the case of the Registration Statement, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made) not misleading, and (B) since the Effective Date, no event has occurred that should have been set forth in a supplement or amendment to the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus that has not been so set forth.

(k) Except as described in the Pricing Disclosure Package, (i) none of the Partnership Entities shall have sustained, since the date of the latest audited financial statements included in the Pricing Disclosure Package, any loss or interference with its business from fire, explosion, flood or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, or from any labor dispute or court or governmental action, order or decree, or (ii) since such date there shall not have been any change in the equity interest or long-term debt of any of the Partnership Entities or any change, or any development involving a prospective change, in or affecting the condition (financial or otherwise), results of operations, partners' or members' equity, properties, management, business or prospects of the Partnership Entities taken as a whole, the effect of which, in any such case described in clause (i) or (ii), is, individually or in the aggregate, in the judgment of the Representatives, so material and adverse as to make it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the public offering or the delivery of the Units being delivered on such Delivery Date on the terms and in the manner contemplated in the Prospectus.

(l) Subsequent to the execution and delivery of this Agreement, to the extent applicable, (i) no downgrading shall have occurred in the rating accorded the Partnership's

debt securities by any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" (as defined by the Commission in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange Act), and (ii) no such organization shall have publicly announced that it has under surveillance or review, with possible negative implications, its rating of any of the Partnership's debt securities.

(m) Subsequent to the execution and delivery of this Agreement there shall not have occurred any of the following: (i) (A) trading in securities generally on any securities exchange that has registered with the Commission under Section 6 of the Exchange Act (including the New York Stock Exchange, the Nasdaq, The Nasdaq Global Market or The Nasdaq Capital Market), or (B) trading in any securities of the Partnership on any exchange or in the over-the-counter market, shall have been suspended or materially limited or the settlement of such trading generally shall have been materially disrupted or minimum prices shall have been established on any such exchange or such market by the Commission, by such exchange or by any other regulatory body or governmental authority having jurisdiction, (ii) a general moratorium on commercial banking activities shall have been declared by federal or state authorities, (iii) the United States shall have become engaged in hostilities, there shall have been an escalation in hostilities involving the United States or there shall have been a declaration of a national emergency or war by the United States, or (iv) there shall have occurred such a material adverse change in general economic, political or financial conditions, including, without limitation, as a result of terrorist activities after the date hereof (or the effect of international conditions on the financial markets in the United States shall be such) or any other calamity or crisis either within or outside the United States, as to make it, in the judgment of the Representatives, impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the public offering or delivery of the Unites being delivered on such Delivery Date on the terms and in the manner contemplated in the Prospectus.

(n) The Nasdaq shall have approved the Units for listing, subject only to official notice of issuance and evidence of satisfactory distribution.

(o) The Lock-Up Agreements between the Representatives and the officers and directors of the General Partner and the unitholders of the Partnership set forth on <u>Schedule IV</u>, delivered to the Representatives on or before the date of this Agreement, shall be in full force and effect on such Delivery Date.

(p) On or prior to each Delivery Date, the Partnership Parties shall have furnished to the Underwriters such further certificates and documents as the Representatives may reasonably request.

All opinions, letters, evidence and certificates mentioned above or elsewhere in this Agreement shall be deemed to be in compliance with the provisions hereof only if they are in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to counsel for the Underwriters.

#### 8. Indemnification and Contribution.

(a) The Partnership Parties will indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter, its partners, members, directors, officers, employees, agents, affiliates and

each person, if any, who controls such Underwriter within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act (each, an "Indemnified Party"), against any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which such Indemnified Party may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, other Federal or state statutory law or regulation or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact contained in any part of (A) the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto as of any time, (B) any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto as of any time (C) any Permitted Issuer Information used or referred to in any "free writing prospectus" (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) used or referred to by any Underwriter, (D) any materials or information provided to investors by, or with the approval of, the Partnership in connection with the marketing of the offering of the Units, including any "road show" (as defined in Rule 433 under the Securities Act) not constituting an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus and any Written Testing-the-Waters Communication ("Marketing Materials") or (E) any Blue Sky application or other document prepared or executed by the Partnership (or based upon any written information furnished by the Partnership for use therein) specifically for the purpose of qualifying any or all of the Units under the securities laws of any state or other jurisdiction (any such application, document or information being hereinafter called a "Blue Sky Application"), or (ii) the omission or alleged omission to state in any Preliminary Prospectus, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or in any amendment or supplement thereto or in any Permitted Issuer Information, any Marketing Materials or any Blue Sky Application of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and will reimburse each Indemnified Party for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such Indemnified Party in connection with investigating or defending against any loss, claim, damage, liability, action, litigation, investigation or proceeding whatsoever (whether or not such Indemnified Party is a party thereto), whether threatened or commenced, and, in connection with the enforcement of this provision with respect to any of the above, as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that none of the Partnership Parties will be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement in or omission or alleged omission from any of such documents in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Partnership by any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter consists of the information described as such in Section 8(b).

(b) Each Underwriter will severally and not jointly indemnify and hold harmless each Partnership Party, each of its directors (including any person who, with his or her consent, is named in the Registration Statement as a director nominee) and each of its officers who signs a Registration Statement and each person, if any, who controls such Partnership Party within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act (each, an "*Underwriter Indemnified Party*"), against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities to which such Underwriter Indemnified Party may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, other Federal or state statutory law or

regulation or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact contained in any Preliminary Prospectus, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or in any amendment or supplement thereto or in any Marketing Materials or Blue Sky Application or (ii) the omission or the alleged omission to state in any Preliminary Prospectus, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or in any amendment or supplement thereto or in any Marketing Materials or Blue Sky Application of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Partnership by such Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein, and will reimburse any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such Underwriter Indemnified Party in connection with investigating or defending against any such loss, claim, damage, liability, action, litigation, investigation or proceeding whatsoever (whether or not such Underwriter Indemnified Party is a party thereto), whether threatened or commenced, based upon any such untrue statement or omission, or any such alleged untrue statement or omission as such expenses are incurred, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter consists of the following information appearing in the most recent Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus furnished on behalf of each Underwriter: (i) the concession figures appearing in the fifth paragraph under the caption "Underwriting," and (ii) the information appearing in the fourteenth paragraph and information relating to stabiliza

(c) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under this <u>Section 8</u> of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party will, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party under <u>Section 8(a)</u> or <u>Section 8(b)</u> above, notify the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof; *provided*, *however*, that the failure to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have under <u>Section 8(a)</u> or <u>Section 8(b)</u> above, except to the extent that it has been materially prejudiced (through the forfeiture of substantive rights or defenses) by such failure; and, *provided further*, that the failure to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have to an indemnified party otherwise than under <u>Section 8(a)</u> or <u>Section 8(b)</u> above. In case any such action is brought against any indemnified party and it notifies the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party will be entitled to participate therein and, to the extent that it may wish, jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to assume the defense thereof, with counsel satisfactory to such indemnified party (who shall not, except with the consent of the indemnified party, be counsel to the indemnifying party will not be liable to such indemnified party under this <u>Section 8</u> for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation. In any such proceeding, any Indemnified Person shall have the right to retain its own counsel, but the fees and expenses of such counsel shall be at the expense of such Indemnified Person

unless (i) the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person shall have mutually agreed to the contrary; (ii) the Indemnifying Person has failed within a reasonable time to retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person; (iii) the Indemnified Person shall have reasonably concluded that there may be legal defenses available to it that are different from or in addition to those available to the Indemnifying Person; or (iv) the named parties in any such proceeding (including any impleaded parties) include both the Indemnifying Person and the Indemnified Person and representation of both parties by the same counsel would be inappropriate due to actual or potential differing interests between them. No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written consent of the indemnified party, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened action in respect of which any indemnified party is or could have been a party and indemnify form all liability on any claims that are the subject matter of such action and (ii) does not include a statement as to, or an admission of, fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of an indemnified party.

(d) If the indemnification provided for in this Section 8 is unavailable or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under Section 8(a) or Section 8(b) above, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to in Section 8(a) or Section 8(b) above (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Partnership Parties on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other from the offering of the Securities or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) above is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) above but also the relative fault of the Partnership Parties on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Partnership Parties on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other shall be deemed to be in the same proportion as the total net proceeds from the offering (before deducting expenses) received by the Partnership Parties bear to the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by the Underwriters. The relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Partnership Parties or the Underwriters and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such untrue statement or omission. The amount paid by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to in the first sentence of this Section 8(d) shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any action or claim which is the subject of this Section 8(d). Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 8(d), no Underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Securities underwritten by it and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages which such Underwriter has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not

guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Underwriters' obligations in this <u>Section 8(d)</u> to contribute are several in proportion to their respective underwriting obligations and not joint. The Partnership Parties and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this <u>Section 8(d)</u> were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in this <u>Section 8(d)</u>.

#### 9. Defaulting Underwriters.

(a) If, on any Delivery Date, any Underwriter defaults in its obligations to purchase the Units that it has agreed to purchase under this Agreement, the remaining non-defaulting Underwriters may in their discretion arrange for the purchase of such Units by the non-defaulting Underwriters or other persons satisfactory to the Partnership on the terms contained in this Agreement. If, within 36 hours after any such default by any Underwriter, the non-defaulting Underwriters do not arrange for the purchase of such Units, then the Partnership shall be entitled to a further period of 36 hours within which to procure other persons satisfactory to the non-defaulting Underwriters to purchase such Units on such terms. In the event that within the respective prescribed periods, the non-defaulting Underwriters notify the Partnership that they have so arranged for the purchase of such Units, or the Partnership notifies the non-defaulting Underwriters that it has so arranged for the purchase of such Units, either the non-defaulting Underwriters or counsel for the Partnership may postpone such Delivery Date for up to seven full business days in order to effect any changes that in the opinion of counsel for the Partnership or counsel for the Underwriters may be necessary in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or in any other document or arrangement, and the Partnership agrees to promptly prepare any amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or in any such other document or arrangement that effects any such changes. As used in this Agreement, the term "Underwriter" includes, for all purposes of this Agreement unless the context requires otherwise, any party not listed in <u>Schedule I</u> hereto that, pursuant to this <u>Section 9</u>, purchases Units that a defaulting Underwriter agreed but failed to purchase.

(b) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Units of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by the non-defaulting Underwriters and the Partnership as provided in <u>Section 9(a)</u>, the total number of the Units that remains unpurchased does not exceed one-eleventh of the total number of all the Units, then the Partnership shall have the right to require each non-defaulting Underwriter to purchase the total number of Units that such Underwriter agreed to purchase hereunder plus such Underwriter's <u>pro rata</u> share (based on the total number of Units that such Underwriter agreed to purchase hereunder) of the Units of such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters for which such arrangements have not been made; *provided* that the non-defaulting Underwriters shall not be obligated to purchase more than 110% of the total number of Units that it agreed to purchase on such Delivery Date pursuant to the terms of <u>Section 2</u>.

(c) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Units of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by the non-defaulting Underwriters and the Partnership as provided in <u>Section 9(a)</u>, the total number of Units that remains unpurchased

exceeds one-eleventh of the total number of all the Units, or if the Partnership shall not exercise the right described in <u>Section 9(b)</u>, then this Agreement shall terminate without liability on the part of the non-defaulting Underwriters. Any termination of this Agreement pursuant to this <u>Section 9</u> shall be without liability on the part of the Partnership, except that the Partnership will continue to be liable for the payment of expenses as set forth in <u>Section 6</u> and <u>11</u> and except that the provisions of <u>Section 8</u> shall not terminate and shall remain in effect.

(d) Nothing contained herein shall relieve a defaulting Underwriter of any liability it may have to the Partnership or any non-defaulting Underwriter for damages caused by its default.

10. *Termination*. The obligations of the Underwriters hereunder may be terminated by the Representatives by notice given to and received by the Partnership prior to delivery of and payment for the Firm Units if, prior to that time, (i) any of the events described in <u>Sections 7(k)</u>, <u>7(1)</u> and <u>7(m)</u> shall have occurred or (ii) if the Underwriters shall decline to purchase the Units for any other reason permitted under this Agreement.

11. *Reimbursement of Underwriters' Expenses.* If (a) the Partnership shall fail to tender the Units for delivery to the Underwriters for any reason other than by reason of a default by any of the Underwriters, or (b) the Underwriters shall decline to purchase the Units for any reason permitted under this Agreement (other than <u>Section 7(m)(i)(A), (m)(ii)</u>, (m)(iii) or (m)(iv)), the Partnership will reimburse the non-defaulting Underwriters for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses (including fees and disbursements of counsel for the Underwriters) incurred by such non-defaulting Underwriters in connection with this Agreement and the proposed purchase of the Units, and upon demand the Partnership shall pay the full amount thereof to the Representatives. If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to <u>Section 9</u> by reason of the default of one or more Underwriters, the Partnership shall not be obligated to reimburse any defaulting Underwriter on account of those expenses.

12. *Research Analyst Independence*. The Partnership acknowledges that the Underwriters' research analysts and research departments are required to be independent from their respective investment banking divisions and are subject to certain regulations and internal policies, and that such Underwriters' research analysts may hold views and make statements or investment recommendations and/or publish research reports with respect to the Partnership and/or the offering that differ from the views of their respective investment banking divisions. The Partnership Parties hereby waive and release, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any claims that the Partnership Parties may have against the Underwriters with respect to any conflict of interest that may arise from the fact that the views expressed by their independent research analysts and research departments may be different from or inconsistent with the views or advice communicated to the Partnership Parties by such Underwriters' investment banking divisions. The Partnership Parties have against the underwriters is a full service securities firm and as such from time to time, subject to applicable securities laws, may effect transactions for its own account or the account of its customers and hold long or short positions in debt or equity securities of the companies that may be the subject of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

13. *No Fiduciary Duty.* The Partnership Parties acknowledge and agree that in connection with this offering, sale of the Units or any other services the Underwriters may be deemed to be providing hereunder, notwithstanding any preexisting relationship, advisory or otherwise, between the parties or any oral representations or assurances previously or subsequently made by the Underwriters: (a) no fiduciary or agency relationship between the Partnership Parties and any other person, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other, exists; (b) the Underwriters are not acting as advisors, expert or otherwise, to any of the Partnership Parties, including, without limitation, with respect to the determination of the public offering price of the Units, and such relationship between the Partnership Parties, on the one hand, and the Underwriters may have to the Partnership Parties shall be limited to those duties and obligations specifically stated herein; and (d) the Underwriters and their respective affiliates may have interests that differ from those of the Partnership Parties. The Partnership Parties hereby waive any claims that any of the Partnership Parties may have against the Underwriters with respect to any breach of fiduciary duty in connection with this offering.

14. Notices, etc. All statements, requests, notices and agreements hereunder shall be in writing, and:

(a) if to the Underwriters, shall be delivered or sent by mail or facsimile transmission to (i) Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, Eleven Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10010-3629, facsimile: (212) 325-4296, Attention: LCD-IBD, (ii) BofA Securities, Inc., One Bryant Park, New York, New York 10036, facsimile: (646) 855-3073, Attention: Syndicate Department, with a copy to facsimile: (212) 230-8730, Attention: ECM Legal, and (iii) J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, 383 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10179, facsimile: (212) 622-8358, Attention Equity Syndicate Desk; and

(b) if to any of the Partnership Parties, shall be delivered or sent by mail or facsimile transmission to the address of the Partnership set forth in the Registration Statement, Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky.

Any such statements, requests, notices or agreements shall take effect at the time of receipt thereof. The Partnership Parties shall be entitled to act and rely upon any request, consent, notice or agreement given or made by the Representatives on behalf of the Underwriters.

15. *Persons Entitled to Benefit of Agreement*. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Underwriters, the Partnership Parties and their respective successors. This Agreement and the terms and provisions hereof are for the sole benefit of only those persons, except that (a) the representations, warranties, indemnities and agreements of the Partnership Parties contained in this Agreement shall also be deemed to be for the benefit of the directors, officers and employees of the Underwriters and each person or persons, if any, who control any Underwriter within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act and any other Indemnified Party, and (b) the indemnity agreement of the Underwriters contained in the Registration Statement as a director nominee of the General Partner), the officers of the General Partner who have signed the Registration Statement and any person controlling the Partnership within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act. Nothing

in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to give any person, other than the persons referred to in this <u>Section 15</u>, any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or in respect of this Agreement or any provision contained herein.

16. *Survival*. The respective indemnities, representations, warranties and agreements of the Partnership Parties and the Underwriters contained in this Agreement or made by or on behalf of them, respectively, pursuant to this Agreement, shall survive the delivery of and payment for the Units and shall remain in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of any of them or any person controlling any of them or any other Indemnified Party or Underwriter Indemnified Party.

17. *Definition of the Terms "Business Day," "Affiliate" and "Subsidiary."* For purposes of this Agreement, (a) "*business day*" means each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday that is not a day on which banking institutions in New York are generally authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close, and (b) "*affiliate*" and "*subsidiary*" have the meanings set forth in Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

# 18. *Governing Law.* This Agreement and any other claim, controversy or dispute arising under or related hereto shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York without regard to conflict of laws principles (other than Section 5-1401 of the General Obligations Law).

19. *Waiver of Jury Trial*. The Partnership Parties and the Underwriters hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

20. *Submission to Jurisdiction*. The Partnership Parties hereby submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the U.S. federal and New York state courts in the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York in any suit or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby. The Partnership Parties waive any objection which any of them may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any such suit or proceeding in such courts. The Partnership Parties agree that final judgment in any such suit, action or proceeding brought in such court shall be conclusive and binding upon the Partnership Parties party thereto and may be enforced in any court to the jurisdiction of which such Partnership Parties are subject by a suit upon such judgment.

21. *Compliance with USA Patriot Act*. In accordance with the requirements of the USA Patriot Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)), the Underwriters are required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies their respective clients, including the Partnership Parties, which information may include the name and address of their respective clients, as well as other information that will allow the Underwriters to properly identify their respective clients.

#### 22. Recognition of the U.S. Special Resolution Regimes.

(a) In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, the transfer from such Underwriter of this Agreement, and any interest and obligation in or under this Agreement, will be effective to the same extent as the transfer would be effective under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime.

(b) In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity or a BHC Act Affiliate of such Underwriter becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, Default Rights under this Agreement that may be exercised against such Underwriter are permitted to be exercised to no greater extent than such Default Rights could be exercised under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime.

23. *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts and, if executed in more than one counterpart, the executed counterparts shall each be deemed to be an original but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

24. *Headings*. The headings herein are inserted for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be part of, or to affect the meaning or interpretation of, this Agreement.

[Signature Pages Follow]

If the foregoing correctly sets forth the agreement among the Partnership Parties and the Underwriters, please indicate your acceptance in the space provided for that purpose below.

Very truly yours,

## RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

By: Rattler Midstream GP LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

- Name: Teresa L. Dick
- Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

## RATTLER MIDSTREAM GP LLC

 By:
 /s/ Teresa L. Dick

 Name:
 Teresa L. Dick

 Title:
 Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

#### RATTLER MIDSTREAM OPERATING LLC

/s/ Teresa L. Dick
Teresa L. Dick
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer
and Assistant Secretary

## DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

Name: Teresa L. Dick Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Assistant Secretary

[Signature Page to Underwriting Agreement]

Accepted as of the date first written above:

CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) LLC BOFA SECURITIES, INC, J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC For themselves and as Representatives of the several Underwriters named in <u>Schedule I</u> hereto

## **CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) LLC**

By: /s/ Blake London

Name:Blake LondonTitle:Managing Director

## **BOFA SECURITIES, INC.**

By: /s/ Paul Bjorneby Name: Paul Bjorneby Title: Managing Director

#### J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

By: /s/ N. Goksu Yolac

Name: N. Goksu Yolac Title: Managing Director

[Signature Page to Underwriting Agreement]

# SCHEDULE I

Underwriters	Number of Firm Units
Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC	11,780,000
BofA Securities, Inc.	6,840,000
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	6,840,000
Barclays Capital Inc.	1,615,000
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.	1,615,000
Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC	1,615,000
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC	1,615,000
Capital One Securities, Inc.	760,000
Scotia Capital (USA) Inc.	760,000
SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.	760,000
UBS Securities LLC	760,000
Evercore Group L.L.C.	380,000
Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC	380,000
RBC Capital Markets, LLC	380,000
Piper Jaffray & Co.	380,000
Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. Securities, Inc.	380,000
Raymond James & Associates, Inc.	285,000
Seaport Global Securities LLC	285,000
Northland Securities, Inc.	190,000
PNC Capital Markets LLC	190,000
TD Securities (USA) LLC	190,000
Total	38,000,000

## SCHEDULE II

## ORALLY CONVEYED PRICING INFORMATION

1. Public offering price: \$17.50 per Unit

2. *Number of units offered*: 38,000,000 Firm Units or, if the Underwriters exercise in full their option to purchase additional Units granted in <u>Section 2</u> hereof, 43,700,000 Units

# SCHEDULE III

# ISSUER FREE WRITING PROSPECTUSES

None.

## SCHEDULE IV

# PERSONS DELIVERING LOCK-UP AGREEMENTS

**Directors** 

Travis D. Stice

Matthew Kaes Van't Hof

Steven E. West

Laurie H. Argo

Arturo Vivar

**Officers** 

Teresa L. Dick

P. Matt Zmigrosky

<u>Unitholders</u>

Diamondback Energy, Inc.

Energen Resources Corporation

#### EXHIBIT A

#### LOCK-UP LETTER AGREEMENT

CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (USA) LLC BOFA SECURITIES, INC. J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC As Representatives of the several Underwriters named in <u>Schedule I</u>

c/o Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC Eleven Madison Avenue New York, New York 10010-3629

c/o BofA Securities, Inc. One Bryant Park New York, New York 10036

c/o J.P. Morgan Securities LLC 383 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10179

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned understands that you and certain other firms (the "*Underwriters*") propose to enter into an Underwriting Agreement (the "*Underwriting Agreement*") providing for the purchase by the Underwriters of common units (the "*Units*") representing limited partner interests ("*Common Units*"), of Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "*Partnership*"), and that the Underwriters propose to reoffer the Units to the public (the "*Offering*"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Underwriting Agreement.

In consideration of the execution of the Underwriting Agreement by the Underwriters, and for other good and valuable consideration, the undersigned hereby irrevocably agrees that, without the prior written consent of Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, BofA Securities, Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, on behalf of the Underwriters, the undersigned will not, directly or indirectly, (1) offer for sale, sell, pledge, or otherwise dispose of (or enter into any transaction or device that is designed to, or could be expected to, result in the disposition by any person at any time in the future of) any Common Units [or any Class B Units representing limited partner interests in the Partnership (the "*Class B Units*")]<sup>1</sup> (including, without limitation, Common Units [and Class B Units] that may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the undersigned in accordance with the rules and

1 NTD: References to Class B Units to be included in lock-up agreements of Energen only.

regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and Common Units [and Class B Units] that may be issued upon exercise of any options or warrants) or securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Units [or Class B Units], (2) enter into any swap or other derivatives transaction that transfers to another, in whole or in part, any of the economic benefits or risks of ownership of Common Units [or Class B Units], whether any such transaction described in clause (1) or (2) above is to be settled by delivery of Common Units[, Class B Units] or other securities, in cash or otherwise, (3) make any demand for or exercise any right or cause to be filed a registration statement, including any amendments thereto, with respect to the registration of any Common Units[, Class B Units] or securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Units[, Class B Units] or any other securities of the Partnership, or (4) publicly disclose the intention to do any of the foregoing for a period commencing on the date hereof and ending on the 180th day after the date of the Prospectus relating to the Offering (such 180-day period, the "Lock-Up Period").

The foregoing paragraph shall not apply to (a) transactions relating to Common Units or other securities acquired in the open market after the completion of the Offering, (b) bona fide gifts, sales or other dispositions of any class of the Partnership's units, in each case that are made exclusively between and among the undersigned or members of the undersigned's family, or affiliates of the undersigned, including its partners (if a partnership) or members (if a limited liability company); provided that it shall be a condition to any transfer pursuant to this clause (b) that (i) the transferee/donee agrees to be bound by the terms of this Lock-Up Letter Agreement (including, without limitation, the restrictions set forth in the preceding sentence) to the same extent as if the transferee/donee were a party hereto, (ii) each party (donor, donee, transferor or transferee) shall not be required by law (including without limitation the disclosure requirements of the Securities Act, and the Exchange Act) to make, and shall agree to not voluntarily make, any filing or public announcement of the transfer or disposition prior to the expiration of the Lock-Up Period, and (iii) the undersigned notifies Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, BofA Securities, Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC at least two business days prior to the proposed transfer or disposition, (c) the exercise of warrants or the exercise of options granted pursuant to the Partnership's option/incentive plans or otherwise outstanding on the date hereof that are described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Disclosure Package and the Prospectus; provided, that the restrictions shall apply to Common Units issued upon such exercise or conversion, (d) the establishment of any contract, instruction or plan that satisfies all of the requirements of Rule 10b5-1 (a "Rule 10b5-1 Plan") under the Exchange Act; provided, however, that no sales of Common Units or securities convertible into, or exchangeable for, Common Units, shall be made pursuant to any such Rule 10b5-1 Plan that is established on or after the date hereof, prior to the expiration of the Lock-Up Period (as the same may be extended pursuant to the provisions hereof); provided further, that the Partnership is not required to report the establishment of such Rule 10b5-1 Plan in any public report or filing with the Commission under the Exchange Act during the Lock-Up Period and does not otherwise voluntarily effect any such public filing or report regarding such Rule 10b5-1 Plan, (e) any exchange or redemption at any time or from time to time by the undersigned of any and all Class B Units [representing

limited partner interests in the Partnership (the "*Class B Units*")]<sup>2</sup> and Rattler LLC Units held by the undersigned for Common Units and any transfer by the undersigned of any such Common Units, Class B Units and/or Rattler LLC Units to an affiliate of the undersigned; *provided* that such affiliated entity agrees to be bound by the terms of this Lock-Up Letter Agreement with respect to any such Common Units, Class B Units and/or Rattler LLC Units to the same extent as if the entity was a party hereto and (f) any demands or requests for, exercise any right with respect to, or take any action in preparation of, the registration by the Partnership under the Securities Act of the undersigned's Common Units (including any Common Units that may be received upon exchange or redemption of Class B Units for Common Units); *provided* that no transfer of the undersigned's Common Units registered pursuant to the exercise of any such right and no registration statement shall be filed under the Securities Act with respect to any of the undersigned's Common Units during the Lock-Up Period.

In furtherance of the foregoing, the Partnership and its transfer agent are hereby authorized to decline to make any transfer of securities if such transfer would constitute a violation or breach of this Lock-Up Letter Agreement.

It is understood that, if the Partnership notifies the Underwriters that it does not intend to proceed with the Offering, if the Underwriting Agreement does not become effective by November 18, 2019, or if the Underwriting Agreement (other than the provisions thereof which survive termination) shall terminate or be terminated prior to payment for and delivery of the Units, the undersigned will be released from its obligations under this Lock-Up Letter Agreement.

The understands that the Partnership and the Underwriters will proceed with the Offering in reliance on this Lock-Up Letter Agreement.

Whether or not the Offering actually occurs depends on a number of factors, including market conditions. Any Offering will only be made pursuant to an Underwriting Agreement, the terms of which are subject to negotiation between the Partnership and the Underwriters.

This Lock-Up Letter Agreement shall automatically terminate upon the termination of the Underwriting Agreement before the sale of any Units to the Underwriters.

This Lock-Up Letter Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York without regard to conflict of laws principles (other than Section 5-1401 of the General Obligations Law).

[Signature page follows]

<sup>2</sup> NTD: To be included in all lock-up agreements except Energen.

The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that the undersigned has full power and authority to enter into this Lock-Up Letter Agreement and that, upon request, the undersigned will execute any additional documents necessary in connection with the enforcement hereof. Any obligations of the undersigned shall be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

By: Name: Title:

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

## EXHIBIT B

#### FORM OF PRESS RELEASE

Rattler Midstream LP [Date]

Rattler Midstream LP, (the "Partnership") announced today that Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, BofA Securities, Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, the lead book-running managers in the Partnership's recent public sale of 38,000,000 common units representing limited partner interests in the Partnership (the "Common Units") are [waiving][releasing] a lock-up restriction with respect to [•] Common Units held by [certain officers or directors] [an officer or director] of the Partnership. The [waiver][release] will take effect on [Date], and such Common Units may be sold or otherwise disposed of on or after such date.

This press release is not an offer for sale of the securities in the United States or in any other jurisdiction where such offer is prohibited, and such securities may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an exemption from registration under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

## FIRST AMENDED AND RESTATED

# AGREEMENT OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

OF

## RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

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#### FIRST AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP OF RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

This First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Rattler Midstream LP, dated as of May 28, 2019 (the *"First A&R Date"*), is executed by Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, as the General Partner, and the Initial Partners (as defined herein), together with any other Persons who become Partners in the Partnership or parties hereto as provided herein.

#### **RECITALS:**

WHEREAS, the General Partner and Diamondback previously organized the Partnership as a Delaware limited partnership pursuant to a Limited Partnership Agreement dated as of July 27, 2018 (as amended, the "*Original Agreement*"); and

WHEREAS, in connection with the closing of the transactions contemplated by the Initial Public Offering, it is necessary to amend the Original Agreement as provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Original Agreement is hereby amended and, as so amended, is restated in its entirety as follows:

#### ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 *Definitions*. The following definitions shall be for all purposes, unless otherwise clearly indicated to the contrary, applied to the terms used in this Agreement.

"*Affiliate*" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries Controls, is Controlled by or is under common Control with, the Person in question.

"*Agreement*" means this First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Rattler Midstream LP, as it may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"*Associate*" means, when used to indicate a relationship with any Person, (a) any corporation or organization of which such Person is a director, officer, manager, general partner or managing member or is, directly or indirectly, the owner of 20% or more of any class of voting stock or other voting interest; (b) any trust or other estate in which such Person has at least a 20% beneficial interest or as to which such Person serves as trustee or in a similar fiduciary capacity; and (c) any relative or spouse of such Person, or any relative of such spouse, who has the same principal residence as such Person.

"Bad Faith" means, with respect to any determination, action or omission, of any Person, board or committee, that such Person, board or committee reached such determination, or engaged in or failed to engage in such act or omission, with the belief that such determination, action or omission was adverse to the interest of the Partnership.

"Board of Directors" means the board of directors of the General Partner.

"*Business Day*" means Monday through Friday of each week, except that a legal holiday recognized as such by the government of the United States of America or the State of Texas shall not be regarded as a Business Day.

"Capital Contribution" means any cash, cash equivalents or the fair market value of any property a Partner contributed to the Partnership.

"Cash Option Amount" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.1(f).

"*Cause*" means a court of competent jurisdiction has entered a final, non-appealable judgment finding the General Partner liable to the Partnership or any Limited Partner for actual fraud or willful misconduct in its capacity as a general partner of the Partnership.

"*Certificate*" means a certificate in such form (including global form if permitted by applicable rules and regulations) as may be adopted by the General Partner, issued by the Partnership evidencing ownership of one or more Partnership Interests. The initial form of certificate approved by the General Partner for Common Units is attached as Exhibit A to this Agreement.

*"Certificate of Limited Partnership"* means the Certificate of Limited Partnership of the Partnership filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware as referenced in <u>Section 7.3</u>, as such Certificate of Limited Partnership may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"Citizenship Eligibility Trigger" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.8(a)(ii).

"claim" (as used in Section 7.12(c)) has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 7.12(c).

"Class B Capital Contribution Amount" equals \$1,000,000.

"*Class B Capital Contribution Per Unit Amount*" equals the Class B Capital Contribution Amount divided by the aggregate number of Class B Units outstanding immediately after the closing of the Initial Public Offering, subject to adjustment for any splits or combinations pursuant to Section 5.7.

"Class B Distribution Amount" means an amount per Class B Unit equal to 2% of the Class B Capital Contribution Per Unit Amount.

"*Class B Unit*" means a Unit representing, when outstanding, a fractional part of the Partnership Interests of all Limited Partners, and having the rights and obligations specified with respect to Class B Units in this Agreement.

"Closing Price" means, in respect of any class of Limited Partner Interests, as of the date of determination, the last sale price on such day, regular way, or in case no such sale takes place

on such day, the average of the closing bid and asked prices on such day, regular way, in either case as reported in the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed or admitted to trading on the principal National Securities Exchange on which such Limited Partner Interests are listed or admitted to trading or, if such Limited Partner Interests are not listed or admitted to trading on any National Securities Exchange, the last quoted price on such day or, if not so quoted, the average of the high bid and low asked prices on such day in the over-the-counter market, as reported by the primary reporting system then in use in relation to such Limited Partner Interests of such class, or, if on any such day such Limited Partner Interests of such class are not quoted by any such organization, the average of the closing bid and asked prices on such day as furnished by a professional market maker making a market in such Limited Partner Interests of such class selected by the General Partner, or if on any such day no market maker is making a market in such Limited Partner Interests of such class, the fair value of such Limited Partner Interests on such day as determined by the General Partner.

"*Code*" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and in effect from time to time. Any reference herein to a specific section or sections of the Code shall be deemed to include a reference to any corresponding provision of any successor law.

"Combined Interest" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 11.3(a).

"Commission" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"*Common Unit*" means a Unit representing, when outstanding, a fractional part of the Partnership Interests of all Limited Partners, and having the rights and obligations specified with respect to Common Units in this Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, a Class B Unit is not a Common Unit.

"Conflicts Committee" means a committee of the Board of Directors composed entirely of one or more directors, each of whom is determined by the Board of Directors, after reasonable inquiry, (a) to not be an officer or employee of the General Partner (b) to not be an officer or employee of any Affiliate of the General Partner or a director of any Affiliate of the General Partner (other than any Group Member), (c) to not be a holder of any ownership interest in the General Partner or any of its Affiliates, including any Group Member, that would be likely to have an adverse impact on the ability of such director to act in an independent manner with respect to the matter submitted to the Conflicts Committee, other than Common Units and awards that are granted to such director under the Long-Term Incentive Plan, and (d) to be independent under the independence standards for directors who serve on an audit committee of a board of directors established by the Securities Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder and by the National Securities Exchange on which any class of Partnership Interests is listed or admitted to trading.

"*Control*" or "*control*" (including the terms "*controlled*" and "*controlling*") means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

"*Current Market Price*" means, in respect of any class of Partnership Interests, as of the date of determination, the average of the daily Closing Prices per Partnership Interest of such class for the 20 consecutive Trading Days immediately prior to such date.

"Deferred Issuance" means the issuance by the Partnership of a number of additional Class B Units that is equal to the excess, if any, of (a) the number of Partnership Common Units subject to the Underwriters' Option over (b) the number of Partnership Common Units actually purchased by and issued to the IPO Underwriters pursuant to the Underwriters' Option on one or more dates.

"*Deferred Issuance Date*" means the first Business Day after the expiration of the Underwriters' Option in accordance with the Underwriting Agreement.

"*Delaware Act*" means the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act, 6 Del C. Section 17-101, et seq., as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

"*Departing General Partner*" means a former General Partner from and after the effective date of any withdrawal or removal of such former General Partner pursuant to <u>Section 11.1</u> or <u>Section 11.2</u>.

"*Derivative Instruments*" means options, rights, warrants, appreciation rights, tracking, profit and phantom interests and other derivative instruments (other than equity interests in the Partnership) relating to, convertible into or exchangeable for Partnership Interests.

"Diamondback" means Diamondback Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Eligibility Certificate" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.8(b).

"Eligible Holder" means a Person that satisfies the eligibility requirements established by the General Partner for Partners pursuant to Section 4.8.

"*Energen*" means Energen Resources Corporation, an Alabama corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Diamondback on the IPO Closing Date.

*"Equity Contribution Agreement*" means the Equity Contribution Agreement, dated as of May 28, 2019, between the Partnership and the Operating Company.

"Event of Withdrawal" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 11.1(a).

"*Exchange Agreement*" means the Exchange Agreement, dated as of May 28, 2019 among the Partnership, the General Partner, Energen and the Operating Company.

"First A&R Date" has the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement.

"*General Partner*" means Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and its successors and permitted assigns that are admitted to the Partnership as the general partner of the Partnership, in their capacity as the general partner of the Partnership.

"General Partner Interest" means the equity interest of the General Partner in the Partnership (in its capacity as general partner and without reference to any Limited Partner Interest held by it), which includes any and all rights, powers and benefits to which the General Partner is entitled as provided in this Agreement, together with all obligations of the General Partner to comply with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

"Good Faith" means, with respect to any determination, action or omission, of any Person, board or committee, that such determination, action or omission was not taken in Bad Faith.

#### "GP Capital Contribution Amount" equals \$1,000,000.

"GP Distribution Amount" means an amount equal to 2% of the GP Capital Contribution Amount.

"*Group*" means two or more Persons that with or through any of their respective Affiliates or Associates have any contract, arrangement, understanding or relationship for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting (except voting pursuant to a revocable proxy or consent given to such Person in response to a proxy or consent solicitation made to 10 or more Persons), exercising investment power over or disposing of any Partnership Interests with any other Person that beneficially owns, or whose Affiliates or Associates beneficially own, directly or indirectly, Partnership Interests.

"Group Member" means a member of the Partnership Group.

"Group Member Agreement" means the partnership agreement of any Group Member, other than the Partnership, that is a limited or general partnership, the limited liability company agreement of any Group Member that is a limited liability company, the certificate of incorporation and bylaws or similar organizational documents of any Group Member that is a corporation, the joint venture agreement or similar governing document of any Group Member that is a point venture agreement or similar governing document of any Group Member that is a joint venture and the governing or organizational or similar documents of any other Group Member that is a Person other than a limited or general partnership, limited liability company, corporation or joint venture, as such may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"Holder" as used in Section 7.12, has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 7.12(a).

"Indemnified Persons" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 7.12(c).

"Indemnitee" means (a) any General Partner, (b) any Departing General Partner, (c) any Person who is or was an Affiliate of the General Partner or any Departing General Partner, (d) any Person who is or was a manager, managing member, general partner, director, officer, employee, agent, fiduciary or trustee of any Group Member, a General Partner, any Departing General Partner or any of their respective Affiliates, (e) any Person who is or was serving at the request of a General Partner, any Departing General Partner or any of their respective Affiliates as an officer, director, manager, managing member, general partner, employee, agent, fiduciary or trustee of another Person owing a fiduciary or similar duty to any Group Member; provided that a Person shall not be an Indemnitee by reason of providing, on a fee-for-services basis, trustee, fiduciary or custodial services, (f) any Person who controls a General Partner or Departing General Partner and (g) any Person the General Partner designates as an "Indemnitee" for purposes of this Agreement because such Person's service, status or relationship exposes such Person to potential claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings relating to the Partnership Group's business and affairs.

"Ineligible Holder" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.8(c).

"*Initial Partners*" means Energen and the IPO Underwriters upon the issuance by the Partnership of Common Units as described in <u>Section 5.1</u> in connection with the Initial Public Offering.

"*Initial Public Offering*" means the initial offering and sale of Common Units to the public (including the offer and sale of Common Units pursuant to the Underwriters' Option), as described in the IPO Registration Statement.

"*IPO Closing Date*" means the first date on which Common Units are sold by the Partnership to the IPO Underwriters pursuant to the provisions of the Underwriting Agreement.

"*IPO Registration Statement*" means the Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-226645) as it has been or as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, filed by the Partnership with the Commission under the Securities Act to register the offering and sale of the Common Units in the Initial Public Offering.

"*IPO Underwriter*" means each Person named as an underwriter in Schedule I to the Underwriting Agreement who purchases Common Units pursuant thereto.

"Liability" means any liability or obligation of any nature, whether accrued, contingent or otherwise.

"*Limited Partner*" means, unless the context otherwise requires, each Unitholder, each additional Person that becomes a Limited Partner pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and any Departing General Partner upon the change of its status from General Partner to Limited Partner pursuant to <u>Section 11.3</u>, in each case in such Person's capacity as a limited partner of the Partnership.

"*Limited Partner Interest*" means the ownership interest of a Limited Partner in the Partnership, which may be evidenced by Common Units, Class B Units or other Partnership Interests or a combination thereof or interest therein (but excluding Derivative Instruments), and includes any and all benefits to which such Limited Partner is entitled as provided in this Agreement, together with all obligations of such Limited Partner hereunder.

"*Liquidator*" means one or more Persons selected by the General Partner to perform the functions described in <u>Section 12.4</u> as liquidating trustee of the Partnership within the meaning of the Delaware Act.

"Long-Term Incentive Plan" means the Rattler Midstream LP Long-Term Incentive Plan, as it may be amended, restated or modified from time to time, or any equity compensation plan successor thereto.

"Merger Agreement" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 14.1.

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"*National Securities Exchange*" means an exchange registered with the Commission under Section 6(a) of the Securities Exchange Act (or any successor to such Section) and any other securities exchange (whether or not registered with the Commission under Section 6(a) of the Securities Exchange Act (or successor to such Section)) that the General Partner shall designate as a National Securities Exchange for purposes of this Agreement.

"Notice of Election to Purchase" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 15.1(b).

"OpCo Unit" means a limited liability company interest in the Operating Company having the rights and obligations specified with respect to a "Unit" in the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement.

"*OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement*" means the Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of the Operating Company, dated as of May 28, 2019, as it may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"Operating Company" means Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"*Operational Services and Secondment Agreement*" means the Operational Services and Secondment Agreement, dated as of May 28, 2019 among the Partnership, the General Partner and Energen.

"*Opinion of Counsel*" means a written opinion of counsel (who may be regular counsel to the Partnership or the General Partner or any of its Affiliates) acceptable to the General Partner.

"Original Agreement" has the meaning assigned to such term in the recitals to this Agreement.

"Outstanding" means, with respect to Partnership Interests, all Partnership Interests that are issued by the Partnership and reflected as outstanding on the Partnership's books and records as of the date of determination; *provided, however*, that if at any time any Person or Group (other than the General Partner or its Affiliates) beneficially owns 20% or more of the Partnership Interests of any class, none of the Partnership Interests owned by such Person or Group shall be entitled to be voted on any matter or be considered to be Outstanding when sending notices of a meeting of Limited Partners to vote on any matter (unless otherwise required by law), calculating required votes, determining the presence of a quorum or for other similar purposes under this Agreement, except that Partnership Interests so owned shall be considered to be Outstanding for purposes of <u>Section 11.1(b)(iv)</u> (such Partnership Interests shall not, however, be treated as a separate class of Partnership Interests for purposes of the Partnership Interests of any class directly from the General Partner or its Affiliates (other than the Partnership), (ii) any Person or Group who acquired 20% or more of the Partnership Interests of any class directly from the General Partner or its Affiliates (other than the Partnership), (ii) any Person or Group who acquired 20% or more of any Class directly or indirectly from a Person or Group described in clause (i) provided that the General Partner shall have notified such Person or Group in writing that such limitation shall not apply, or (iii) any Person or Group in writing that such limitation shall not apply, or (iii) any Person or Group in writing that such limitation shall not apply.

"Partners" means the General Partner and the Limited Partners.

"Partnership" means Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership.

"Partnership Group" means the Partnership and its Subsidiaries.

"*Partnership Interest*" means any class or series of equity interest (or, in the case of the General Partner, management interest) in the Partnership, which shall include any General Partner Interest and Limited Partner Interests but shall exclude Derivative Instruments.

"*Percentage Interest*" means as of any date of determination, as to any Unitholder with respect to Units or any class thereof, the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the number of Units (or the number of Units in such class) held by such Unitholder by (ii) the total number of Outstanding Units (or the total number of Outstanding Units in such class). The Percentage Interest with respect to the General Partner Interest shall at all times be zero.

"*Person*" means an individual or a corporation, firm, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, unincorporated organization, association, government agency or political subdivision thereof or other entity.

"Privately Placed Units" means any Common Units issued for cash or property other than pursuant to a public offering.

"**Pro Rata**" means when used with respect to (a) Units or any class thereof, apportioned equally among all Units or all Units of such class, as applicable, in accordance with their relative Percentage Interests, (b) all Partners or Record Holders, apportioned among all Partners or Record Holders in accordance with their relative Percentage Interests, and (c) some but not all Partners or Record Holders, apportioned among such Partners or Record Holders in accordance with their relative Percentage Interests.

"*Purchase Date*" means the date determined by the General Partner as the date for purchase of all Outstanding Limited Partner Interests of a certain class (other than Limited Partner Interests owned by the General Partner and its Affiliates) pursuant to <u>Article XV</u>.

"Quarter" means, unless the context requires otherwise, a fiscal quarter of the Partnership.

"Rate Eligibility Trigger" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.8(a)(i).

"*Record Date*" means the date established by the General Partner or otherwise in accordance with this Agreement for determining (a) the identity of the Record Holders entitled to notice of, or to vote at, any meeting of Limited Partners or entitled to vote by ballot or give approval of Partnership action in writing without a meeting or entitled to exercise rights in respect of any lawful action of Limited Partners or (b) the identity of Record Holders entitled to receive any report or distribution or to participate in any offer.

"*Record Holder*" means (a) with respect to Partnership Interests of any class for which a Transfer Agent has been appointed, the Person in whose name a Partnership Interest of such class is registered on the books of the Transfer Agent as of the opening of business on a particular Business Day, or (b) with respect to other classes of Partnership Interests, the Person in whose name any such other Partnership Interest is registered on the books that the General Partner has caused to be kept as of the opening of business on such Business Day.

"*Redeemable Interests*" means any Partnership Interests for which a redemption notice has been given, and has not been withdrawn, pursuant to <u>Section 4.9</u>.

"*Registration Rights Agreement*" means that certain Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of May 28, 2019 between Energen and the Partnership.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

"Securities Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

"*Special Approval*" means approval by a majority of the members of the Conflicts Committee, whether in the form of approval or approval and recommendation to the Board of Directors.

"*Subsidiary*" means, with respect to any Person, (a) a corporation of which more than 50% of the voting power of shares entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors or other governing body of such corporation is owned, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, by such Person, by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or a combination thereof, (b) a partnership, but only if such Person, directly or by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, a general partner of such partnership, but only if such Person, directly or by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, controls such partnership, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination or (c) any other Person in which such Person, one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, has (i) a majority ownership interest or (ii) the power to elect or direct the election of a majority of the directors or other governing body of such Person. For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Operating Company is a Subsidiary of the Partnership.

"Surviving Business Entity" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 14.2(b)(ii).

"*Trading Day*" means a day on which the principal National Securities Exchange on which the referenced Partnership Interests of any class are listed or admitted to trading is open for the transaction of business or, if such Partnership Interests are not listed or admitted to trading on any National Securities Exchange, a day on which banking institutions in New York City generally are open.

"Transaction Documents" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(b).

"transfer" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 4.4(a).

"*Transfer Agent*" means such bank, trust company or other Person (including the General Partner or one of its Affiliates) as may be appointed from time to time by the Partnership to act as registrar and transfer agent for any class of Partnership Interests; provided that if no Transfer Agent is specifically designated for any class of Partnership Interests, the General Partner shall act in such capacity.

"Treasury Regulations" means the United States Treasury regulations promulgated under the Code.

"Underwriters' Option" means the option to purchase additional Common Units granted to the IPO Underwriters by the Partnership pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement.

"Underwriters' Option Closing Date" means the date(s) on which Common Units are sold by the Partnership to the IPO Underwriters pursuant to the IPO Underwriters' exercise of the Underwriters' Option pursuant to the provisions of the Underwriting Agreement.

*"Underwriting Agreement*" means the Underwriting Agreement, dated as of May 22, 2019, among the IPO Underwriters, the Partnership, the Operating Company, the General Partner and Diamondback providing for the purchase of Common Units by the IPO Underwriters.

"Unit" means a Partnership Interest that is designated as a "Unit" and shall include Common Units and Class B Units.

"Unit Majority" means a majority of the Outstanding Units, voting together as a single class.

"Unitholders" means the holders of Units.

"Unrestricted Person" means each Indemnitee, each Partner and each Person who is or was a member, partner, director, officer, employee or agent of any Group Member, the General Partner or any Departing General Partner or any Affiliate of any Group Member, the General Partner or any Departing General Partner and any Person the General Partner designates as an "Unrestricted Person" for purposes of this Agreement.

"U.S. GAAP" means United States generally accepted accounting principles, as in effect from time to time, consistently applied.

"Withdrawal Opinion of Counsel" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 11.1(b).

Section 1.2 *Construction*. Unless the context requires otherwise: (a) any pronoun used in this Agreement shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine or neuter forms; (b) references to Articles and Sections refer to Articles and Sections of this Agreement; (c) the terms "include", "includes", "including" and words of like import shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation"; and (d) the terms "hereof", "herein" and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Agreement. The table of contents and headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only, and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement. The General Partner has the

power to construe and interpret this Agreement and to act upon any such construction or interpretation. Any construction or interpretation of this Agreement by the General Partner and any action taken pursuant thereto and any determination made by the General Partner in good faith shall, in each case, be conclusive and binding on all Record Holders and all other Persons for all purposes.

# ARTICLE II ORGANIZATION

Section 2.1 *Formation*. The General Partner and Diamondback previously formed the Partnership as a limited partnership pursuant to the provisions of the Delaware Act. The General Partner hereby amends and restates the Original Agreement in its entirety pursuant to Article XIII thereof. This amendment and restatement shall become effective on the date of this Agreement. Except as expressly provided to the contrary in this Agreement, the rights, duties (including fiduciary duties), liabilities and obligations of the Partners and the administration, dissolution and termination of the Partnership shall be governed by the Delaware Act.

Section 2.2 *Name*. The name of the Partnership shall be "Rattler Midstream LP". The Partnership's business may be conducted under any other name or names as determined by the General Partner, including the name of the General Partner. The words "Limited Partnership," the letters "LP," or "Ltd." or similar words or letters shall be included in the Partnership's name where necessary for the purpose of complying with the laws of any jurisdiction that so requires. The General Partner may change the name of the Partnership at any time and from time to time and shall notify the Partners of such change in the next regular communication to the Partners.

Section 2.3 *Registered Office; Registered Agent; Principal Office; Other Offices.* Unless and until changed by the General Partner, the registered office of the Partnership in the State of Delaware shall be located at 251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, Delaware 19808, and the registered agent for service of process on the Partnership in the State of Delaware at such registered office shall be Corporation Service Company. The principal office of the Partnership shall be located at 500 West Texas Avenue, Suite 1200, Midland, Texas 79701 or such other place as the General Partner may from time to time designate by notice to the Partners. The Partnership may maintain offices at such other place or places within or outside the State of Delaware as the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate. The address of the General Partner shall be 500 West Texas Avenue, Suite 1200, Midland, Texas 79701 or such other place as the General Partner may from time to time designate by notice to the Partners.

Section 2.4 *Purpose and Business*. The purpose and nature of the business to be conducted by the Partnership shall be to (a) engage directly in, or enter into or form, hold and dispose of any corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other arrangement to engage indirectly in, any business activity that is approved by the General Partner, in its sole discretion, and that lawfully may be conducted by a limited partnership organized pursuant to the Delaware Act and, in connection therewith, to exercise all of the rights and powers conferred upon the Partnership pursuant to the agreements relating to such business activity, and (b) do anything necessary or appropriate to the foregoing, including the making of capital contributions or loans to a Group Member. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the General Partner shall have no duty or obligation to propose or approve, and may, in its sole discretion, decline to propose or approve, the conduct by the Partnership Group of any business.

Section 2.5 *Powers*. The Partnership shall be empowered to do any and all acts and things necessary, appropriate, proper, advisable, incidental to or convenient for the furtherance and accomplishment of the purposes and business described in <u>Section 2.4</u> and for the protection and benefit of the Partnership.

Section 2.6 *Term.* The term of the Partnership commenced upon the filing of the Certificate of Limited Partnership in accordance with the Delaware Act and shall continue in existence until the dissolution of the Partnership in accordance with the provisions of <u>Article XII</u>. The existence of the Partnership as a separate legal entity shall continue until the cancellation of the Certificate of Limited Partnership as provided in the Delaware Act.

Section 2.7 *Title to Partnership Assets*. Title to Partnership assets, whether real, personal or mixed and whether tangible or intangible, shall be deemed to be owned by the Partnership as an entity, and no Partner, individually or collectively, shall have any ownership interest in such Partnership assets or any portion thereof. Title to any or all of the Partnership assets may be held in the name of the Partnership, the General Partner, one or more of its Affiliates or one or more nominees, as the General Partner may determine. The General Partner hereby declares and warrants that any Partnership assets for which record title is held in the name of the General Partner or one or more of its Affiliates or one or more nominees shall be held by the General Partner or such Affiliate or nominee for the use and benefit of the Partnership in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; *provided*, *however*, that the General Partner shall use reasonable efforts to cause record title to such assets (other than those assets in respect of which the General Partner determines that the expense and difficulty of conveyancing makes transfer of record title to the Partnership impracticable) to be vested in the Partnership or one or more of the Partnership's designated Affiliates as soon as reasonably practicable; provided, further, that, prior to the withdrawal or removal of the General Partner or as soon thereafter as practicable, the General Partner shall use reasonable efforts to effect the transfer of record title to the Partnership and, prior to any such transfer, will provide for the use of such assets in a manner satisfactory to the General Partner. All Partnership assets is held.

### ARTICLE III RIGHTS OF LIMITED PARTNERS

Section 3.1 *Limitation of Liability*. The Limited Partners shall have no liability under this Agreement except as expressly provided in this Agreement or the Delaware Act.

Section 3.2 *Management of Business*. No Limited Partner, in its capacity as such, shall participate in the operation, management or control (within the meaning of the Delaware Act) of the Partnership's business, transact any business in the Partnership's name or have the power to sign documents for or otherwise bind the Partnership. No action taken by any Affiliate of the General Partner or any officer, director, employee, manager, member, general partner, agent or trustee of the General Partner or any of its Affiliates, or any officer, director, employee, manager, member, general partner, agent or trustee of a Group Member, in its capacity as such, shall be

considered participating in the control of the business of the Partnership by a limited partner of the Partnership (within the meaning of Section 17-303(a) of the Delaware Act) nor shall any such action affect, impair or eliminate the limitations on the liability of the Limited Partners under this Agreement.

Section 3.3 *Outside Activities of the Limited Partners*. Subject to the provisions of <u>Section 7.6</u>, which shall continue to be applicable to the Persons referred to therein, regardless of whether such Persons shall also be Limited Partners, each Limited Partner shall be entitled to and may have business interests and engage in business activities in addition to those relating to the Partnership, including business interests and activities in direct competition with the Partnership Group. Neither the Partnership nor any of the other Partners shall have any rights by virtue of this Agreement in any business ventures of any Limited Partner.

Section 3.4 Rights of Limited Partners.

(a) Each Limited Partner shall have the right, for a purpose that is reasonably related, as determined by the General Partner, to such Limited Partner's interest as a Limited Partner in the Partnership, upon reasonable written demand stating the purpose of such demand and at such Limited Partner's own expense to obtain:

(i) true and full information regarding the status of the business and financial condition of the Partnership (provided that the requirements of this <u>Section 3.4(a)(i)</u> shall be satisfied to the extent the Limited Partner is furnished the Partnership's most recent annual report and any subsequent quarterly or periodic reports required to be filed (or which would be required to be filed) with the Commission pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act);

(ii) a current list of the name and last known business, residence or mailing address of each Record Holder;

(iii) a copy of this Agreement and the Certificate of Limited Partnership and all amendments thereto, together with copies of the executed copies of all powers of attorney pursuant to which this Agreement, the Certificate of Limited Partnership and all amendments thereto have been executed; and

(iv) such other information regarding the affairs of the Partnership as the General Partner determines is just and reasonable.

(b) The rights pursuant to <u>Section 3.4(a)</u> replace in their entirety any rights to information provided for in Section 17-305(a) of the Delaware Act and each of the Partners, each other Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest and each other Person bound by this Agreement hereby agrees to the fullest extent permitted by law that they do not have any rights as Partners to receive any information either pursuant to Section 17-305(a) of the Delaware Act or otherwise except for the information identified in <u>Section 3.4(a)</u>.

(c) The General Partner may keep confidential from the Limited Partners, for such period of time as the General Partner deems reasonable, (i) any information that the General Partner reasonably believes to be in the nature of trade secrets or (ii) other information the disclosure of which the General Partner believes (A) is not in the best interests of the Partnership Group, (B) could damage the Partnership Group or its business or (C) that any Group Member is required by law or by agreement with any third party to keep confidential.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement or Section 17-305 of the Delaware Act, each of the Partners, each other Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest and each other Person bound by this Agreement hereby agrees to the fullest extent permitted by law that they do not have rights to receive information from the Partnership or any Indemnitee for the purpose of determining whether to pursue litigation or assist in pending litigation against the Partnership or any Indemnitee relating to the affairs of the Partnership except pursuant to the applicable rules of discovery relating to litigation commenced by such Person.

#### ARTICLE IV CERTIFICATES; RECORD HOLDERS; TRANSFER OF PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS;

# REDEMPTION OF PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS

Section 4.1 *Certificates*. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, unless the General Partner shall determine otherwise in respect of some or all of any or all classes of Partnership Interests, Partnership Interests shall not be evidenced by certificates. Certificates that are issued shall be executed on behalf of the Partnership by the Chairman of the Board, President, Chief Executive Officer or any Executive Vice President or Vice President and the Chief Financial Officer or the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary of the General Partner. No Certificate for a class of Partnership Interests shall be valid for any purpose until it has been countersigned by the Transfer Agent for such class of Partnership Interests; *provided, however*, that if the General Partner elects to cause the Partnership to issue Partnership Interests of such class in global form, the Certificate shall be valid upon receipt of a certificate from the Transfer Agent certifying that the Partnership Interests have been duly registered in accordance with the directions of the Partnership.

# Section 4.2 Mutilated, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Certificates.

(a) If any mutilated Certificate is surrendered to the Transfer Agent, the appropriate officers of the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership shall execute, and the Transfer Agent shall countersign and deliver in exchange therefor, a new Certificate evidencing the same number and type of Partnership Interests as the Certificate so surrendered.

(b) The appropriate officers of the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership shall execute and deliver, and the Transfer Agent shall countersign, a new Certificate in place of any Certificate previously issued if the Record Holder of the Certificate:

(i) makes proof by affidavit, in form and substance satisfactory to the General Partner, that a previously issued Certificate has been lost, destroyed or stolen;

(ii) requests the issuance of a new Certificate before the General Partner has notice that the Certificate has been acquired by a purchaser for value in good faith and without notice of an adverse claim;

(iii) if requested by the General Partner, delivers to the General Partner a bond, in form and substance satisfactory to the General Partner, with surety or sureties and with

fixed or open penalty as the General Partner may direct, to indemnify the Partnership, the Partners, the General Partner and the Transfer Agent against any claim that may be made on account of the alleged loss, destruction or theft of the Certificate; and

(iv) satisfies any other reasonable requirements imposed by the General Partner or the Transfer Agent.

If a Limited Partner fails to notify the General Partner within a reasonable period of time after such Limited Partner has notice of the loss, destruction or theft of a Certificate, and a transfer of the Limited Partner Interests represented by the Certificate is registered before the Partnership, the General Partner or the Transfer Agent receives such notification, the Limited Partner shall be precluded from making any claim against the Partnership, the General Partner or the Transfer Agent for such transfer or for a new Certificate.

(c) As a condition to the issuance of any new Certificate under this <u>Section 4.2</u>, the General Partner may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Transfer Agent) reasonably connected therewith.

Section 4.3 *Record Holders*. The Partnership and the General Partner shall be entitled to recognize the Record Holder as the Partner with respect to any Partnership Interest and, accordingly, shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to, or interest in, such Partnership Interest on the part of any other Person, regardless of whether the Partnership shall have actual or other notice thereof, except as otherwise provided by law or any applicable rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of any National Securities Exchange on which such Partnership Interests are listed or admitted to trading. Without limiting the foregoing, when a Person (such as a broker, dealer, bank, trust company or clearing corporation or an agent of any of the foregoing) is acting as nominee, agent or in some other representative capacity for another Person in acquiring and/or holding Partnership Interests, as between the Partnership on the one hand, and such other Persons on the other, such representative Person shall be (a) the Record Holder of such Partnership Interest and (b) bound by this Agreement and shall have the rights and obligations of a Partner hereunder as, and to the extent, provided herein.

#### Section 4.4 Transfer Generally.

(a) The term "*transfer*," when used in this Agreement with respect to a Partnership Interest, shall mean a transaction (i) by which the General Partner assigns its General Partner Interest to another Person, and includes a sale, assignment, gift, pledge, grant of security interest, encumbrance, hypothecation, mortgage, exchange or any other disposition by law or otherwise, or (ii) by which the holder of a Limited Partner Interest to another Person who is or becomes a Limited Partner, and includes a sale, assignment, gift, exchange or any other disposition by law or otherwise, by pothecation or mortgage), including any transfer upon foreclosure or other exercise of remedies of any pledge, security interest, encumbrance, hypothecation or mortgage.

(b) No Partnership Interest shall be transferred, in whole or in part, except in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this <u>Article IV</u>. Any transfer or purported transfer of a Partnership Interest not made in accordance with this <u>Article IV</u> shall be, to the fullest extent permitted by law, null and void.

(c) Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to prevent a disposition by any stockholder, member, partner or other owner of any Partner of any or all of the shares of stock, membership interests, partnership interests or other ownership interests in such Partner and the term "transfer" shall not mean any such disposition.

#### Section 4.5 Registration and Transfer of Limited Partner Interests.

(a) The General Partner shall keep or cause to be kept on behalf of the Partnership a register in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe and subject to the provisions of <u>Section 4.5(b)</u>, the Partnership will provide for the registration and transfer of Limited Partner Interests.

(b) The Partnership shall not recognize any transfer of Limited Partner Interests evidenced by Certificates until the Certificates evidencing such Limited Partner Interests are surrendered for registration of transfer. No charge shall be imposed by the General Partner for such transfer; provided, that as a condition to the issuance of any new Certificate under this <u>Section 4.5</u>, the General Partner may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed with respect thereto. Upon surrender of a Certificate for registration of transfer of any Limited Partner Interests evidenced by a Certificate, and subject to the provisions hereof, the appropriate officers of the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership shall execute and deliver, and in the case of Certificates evidencing Limited Partner Interests, the Transfer Agent shall countersign and deliver, in the name of the holder or the designated transferee or transferees, as required pursuant to the holder's instructions, one or more new Certificates evidencing the same aggregate number and type of Limited Partner Interests as was evidenced by the Certificate so surrendered.

(c) Subject to (i) the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 4.5</u>, (ii) <u>Section 4.3</u>, (iii) <u>Section 4.7</u>, (iv) with respect to any class or series of Limited Partner Interests, the provisions of any statement of designations or amendment of this Agreement establishing such class or series, (v) any contractual provisions binding on any Limited Partner and (vi) provisions of applicable law including the Securities Act, Limited Partner Interests shall be freely transferable.

(d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, any holder of Class B Units shall not transfer any of its Class B Units to any Person, except that any such holder may transfer one or more Class B Units to its Affiliate so long as such holder simultaneously transfers an equal number of OpCo Units to such Affiliate in accordance with the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, this <u>Section 4.5</u> does not restrict in any way the right of the General Partner and its Affiliates to transfer one or more Common Units to any Person or Persons (including Common Units acquired pursuant to the Exchange Agreement).

### Section 4.6 Transfer of the General Partner Interest.

(a) The General Partner may at its option transfer all or any part of its General Partner Interest without approval from any other Partner.

(b) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, no transfer by the General Partner of all or any part of its General Partner Interest to another Person shall be permitted unless (i) the transferee agrees to assume the rights and duties of the General Partner under this Agreement and to be bound by the provisions of this Agreement, (ii) the Partnership receives an Opinion of Counsel that such transfer would not result in the loss of limited liability under the Delaware Act of any Limited Partner, and (iii) such transferee also agrees to purchase all (or the appropriate portion thereof, if applicable) of the partnership or membership interest held by the General Partner as the general partner or managing member, if any, of each other Group Member. In the case of a transfer pursuant to and in compliance with this <u>Section 4.6</u>, the transferee or successor (as the case may be) shall, subject to compliance with the terms of <u>Section 10.2</u>, be admitted to the Partnership as the General Partner effective immediately prior to the transfer of the General Partner Interest, and the business of the Partnership shall continue without dissolution.

# Section 4.7 Restrictions on Transfers.

(a) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this <u>Article IV</u>, no transfer of any Partnership Interests shall be made if such transfer would (i) violate the then applicable U.S. federal or state securities laws or rules and regulations of the Commission, any state securities commission or any other governmental authority with jurisdiction over such transfer or (ii) terminate the existence or qualification of the Partnership under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation.

(b) The General Partner may impose restrictions on the transfer of Partnership Interests if the General Partner determines, with the advice of counsel, that such restrictions are necessary or advisable to preserve the uniformity of Limited Partner Interests (or any class or classes thereof). The General Partner may impose such restrictions by amending this Agreement; *provided, however*, that any amendment that would result in the delisting or suspension of trading of any class of Limited Partner Interests on the principal National Securities Exchange on which such class of Limited Partner Interests is then listed or admitted to trading must be approved, prior to such amendment being effected, by the holders of a majority of the Outstanding Limited Partner Interests of such class.

(c) Nothing contained in this Agreement, other than <u>Section 4.7(a)</u>, shall preclude the settlement of any transactions involving Partnership Interests entered into through the facilities of any National Securities Exchange on which such Partnership Interests are listed or admitted to trading.

Section 4.8 Eligibility Certificates; Ineligible Holders.

(a) If at any time the General Partner determines, with the advice of counsel, that:

(i) the U.S. federal income tax status (or lack of proof of the U.S. federal income tax status) of one or more Limited Partners or their owners has or is reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the rates that can be charged to customers by any Group Member with respect to assets that are subject to regulation by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or similar regulatory body (a "*Rate Eligibility Trigger*"); or

(ii) any Group Member is subject to any federal, state or local law or regulation that would create a substantial risk of cancellation or forfeiture of any property in which the Group Member has an interest based on the nationality, citizenship or other related status of a Limited Partner or its owner(s) (a "*Citizenship Eligibility Trigger*");

then, the General Partner may adopt such amendments to this Agreement as it determines to be necessary or appropriate to (x) in the case of a Rate Eligibility Trigger, obtain such proof of the U.S. federal income tax status of the Limited Partners and, to the extent relevant, their owners, as the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate to reduce the risk of occurrence of a material adverse effect on the rates that can be charged to customers by any Group Member or (y) in the case of a Citizenship Eligibility Trigger, obtain such proof of the nationality, citizenship or other related status of the Limited Partners and, to the extent relevant, their owners as the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate to eliminate or mitigate the risk of cancellation or forfeiture of any properties or interests therein.

(b) Such amendments may include provisions requiring all Partners to certify as to their (and their beneficial owners') status as Eligible Holders upon demand and on a regular basis, as determined by the General Partner, and may require transferees of Units to so certify prior to being admitted to the Partnership as a Partner (any such required certificate, an "*Eligibility Certificate*").

(c) Such amendments may provide that any Partner who fails to furnish to the General Partner within a reasonable period requested proof of its (and its owners') status as an Eligible Holder or if upon receipt of such Eligibility Certificate or other requested information the General Partner determines that a Limited Partner (or its owner) is not an Eligible Holder (an "*Ineligible Holder*"), the Partnership Interests owned by such Limited Partner shall be subject to redemption in accordance with the provisions of <u>Section 4.9</u>. In addition, the General Partner shall be substituted and treated as the owner of all Partnership Interests owned by an Ineligible Holder.

(d) The General Partner shall, in exercising voting rights in respect of Partnership Interests held by it on behalf of Ineligible Holders, cast such votes in the same manner and in the same ratios as the votes of Partners (including the General Partner and its Affiliates) in respect of Partnership Interests other than those of Ineligible Holders are cast.

(e) Upon dissolution of the Partnership, an Ineligible Holder shall have no right to receive a distribution in kind pursuant to <u>Section 12.4</u> but shall be entitled to the cash equivalent thereof, and the Partnership shall provide cash in exchange for an assignment of the Ineligible Holder's share of any distribution in kind. Such payment and assignment shall be treated for purposes hereof as a purchase by the Partnership from the Ineligible Holder of the portion of his Partnership Interest representing his right to receive his share of such distribution in kind.

(f) At any time after he can and does certify that he has become an Eligible Holder, an Ineligible Holder may, upon application to the General Partner, request that with respect to any Partnership Interests of such Ineligible Holder not redeemed pursuant to <u>Section 4.9</u>, such Ineligible Holder be admitted as a Partner, and upon approval of the General Partner, such Ineligible Holder shall be admitted as a Partner and shall no longer constitute an Ineligible Holder and the General Partner shall cease to be deemed to be the owner in respect of such Ineligible Holder's Partnership Interests.

### Section 4.9 Redemption of Partnership Interests of Ineligible Holders.

(a) If at any time a Partner fails to furnish an Eligibility Certificate or other information requested within the period of time specified in amendments adopted pursuant to <u>Section 4.8</u> or if upon receipt of such Eligibility Certificate, the General Partner determines, with the advice of counsel, that a Partner is an Ineligible Holder, the Partnership may, unless the Partner establishes to the satisfaction of the General Partner that such Partner is an Eligible Holder or has transferred his Limited Partner Interests to a Person who is an Eligible Holder and who furnishes an Eligibility Certificate to the General Partner prior to the date fixed for redemption as provided below, redeem the Partnership Interest of such Partner as follows:

(i) The General Partner shall, not later than the 30th day before the date fixed for redemption, give notice of redemption to the Partner, at his last address designated on the records of the Partnership or the Transfer Agent, as applicable, by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid. The notice shall be deemed to have been given when so mailed. The notice shall specify the Redeemable Interests, the date fixed for redemption, the place of payment, that payment of the redemption price will be made upon redemption of the Redeemable Interests (or, if later in the case of Redeemable Interests evidenced by Certificates, upon surrender of the Certificate evidencing the Redeemable Interests) and that on and after the date fixed for redemption no further allocations or distributions to which the Partner would otherwise be entitled in respect of the Redeemable Interests will accrue or be made.

(ii) The aggregate redemption price for Redeemable Interests shall be an amount equal to the Current Market Price (the date of determination of which shall be the date fixed for redemption) of Partnership Interests of the class to be so redeemed multiplied by the number of Partnership Interests of each such class included among the Redeemable Interests. The redemption price shall be paid, as determined by the General Partner, in cash or by delivery of a promissory note of the Partnership in the principal amount of the redemption price, bearing interest at the rate of 8% annually and payable in three equal annual installments of principal together with accrued interest, commencing one year after the redemption date.

(iii) The Partner or his duly authorized representative shall be entitled to receive the payment for the Redeemable Interests at the place of payment specified in the notice of redemption on the redemption date (or, if later in the case of Redeemable Interests evidenced by Certificates, upon surrender by or on behalf of the Partner at the place specified in the notice of redemption, of the Certificate evidencing the Redeemable Interests, duly endorsed in blank or accompanied by an assignment duly executed in blank).

(iv) After the redemption date, Redeemable Interests shall no longer constitute issued and Outstanding Limited Partner Interests.

(b) The provisions of this <u>Section 4.9</u> shall also be applicable to Partnership Interests held by a Partner as nominee of a Person determined to be an Ineligible Holder.

(c) Nothing in this <u>Section 4.9</u> shall prevent the recipient of a notice of redemption from transferring his Partnership Interest before the redemption date if such transfer is otherwise permitted under this Agreement. Upon receipt of notice of such a transfer, the General Partner shall withdraw the notice of redemption, provided the transferee of such Partnership Interest certifies to the satisfaction of the General Partner that he is an Eligible Holder. If the transferee fails to make such certification, such redemption will be effected from the transferee on the original redemption date.

# ARTICLE V

# CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND ISSUANCE OF PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS

Section 5.1 *Capitalization*. In connection with the formation of the Partnership under the Delaware Act, the General Partner was admitted as the sole general partner of the Partnership and Diamondback made an initial Capital Contribution to the Partnership and was admitted as the organizational limited partner of the Partnership.

(a) On the IPO Closing Date, the General Partner made a Capital Contribution to the Partnership in the amount of \$1,000,000 as an additional Capital Contribution in respect of its General Partner Interest.

(b) On the IPO Closing Date, Energen was admitted to the Partnership as an Initial Partner and made a Capital Contribution to the Partnership in the amount of \$1,000,000 in exchange for (i) 107,815,152 Class B Units and (ii) the right to receive the Deferred Issuance, if any.

(c) On the IPO Closing Date, Diamondback withdrew from the Partnership as the organizational limited partner, and the Partnership returned Diamondback's initial Capital Contribution.

(d) On the IPO Closing Date and pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement, the IPO Underwriters purchased from the Partnership 38,000,000 Common Units for consideration of \$631,750,000.

(e) On the IPO Closing Date and pursuant to the Equity Contribution Agreement, the Partnership made a capital contribution to the Operating Company in the amount of \$631,750,000 in exchange for the issuance by the Operating Company to the Partnership of 38,000,000 OpCo Units.

(f) On each Underwriters' Option Closing Date, if any, and pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement, upon the exercise, if any, of the Underwriters' Option, each IPO Underwriter shall purchase from the Partnership (the aggregate amount of such purchase by the IPO Underwriters, the *"Cash Option Amount"*) a number of additional Common Units, and the

Partnership shall make a capital contribution to the Operating Company in an amount equal to the Cash Option Amount in exchange for the issuance by the Operating Company to the Partnership of an amount of additional OpCo Units equal to such number of additional Common Units.

(g) On the Deferred Issuance Date, the Partnership shall make the Deferred Issuance, if any.

(h) No Partnership Interests will be issued or issuable as of, at, or in connection with the IPO Closing Date, any Underwriters' Option Closing Date or the Deferred Issuance Date other than the Common Units and Class B Units issued and contemplated to be issued to the IPO Underwriters and Energen under this <u>Section 5.1</u>.

Section 5.2 *Additional Contributions*. No Partner will be required to make any additional Capital Contribution to the Partnership pursuant to this Agreement.

Section 5.3 *Interest and Withdrawal*. No interest on Capital Contributions shall be paid by the Partnership. No Partner shall be entitled to the withdrawal or return of its Capital Contribution, except to the extent, if any, that distributions made pursuant to this Agreement or upon dissolution of the Partnership may be considered as the withdrawal or return of its Capital Contribution by law and then only to the extent provided for in this Agreement. Except to the extent expressly provided in this Agreement, no Partner shall have priority over any other Partner either as to the return of Capital Contributions or as to profits, losses or distributions. Any such return shall be a compromise to which all Partners agree within the meaning of Section 17-502(b) of the Delaware Act.

Section 5.4 [Reserved.]

#### Section 5.5 Issuances of Additional Partnership Interests and Derivative Instruments.

(a) The Partnership may issue additional Partnership Interests and Derivative Instruments for any Partnership purpose at any time and from time to time to such Persons for such consideration and on such terms and conditions as the General Partner shall determine, all without the approval of any Partners; *provided, however*, that the Partnership shall not issue any additional Common Units unless the Partnership contributes the net cash proceeds or other consideration received from the issuance of such additional Common Units to the Operating Company in exchange for an equivalent number of OpCo Units. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Partnership may issue Common Units without such contribution (a) pursuant to employee benefit plans or pursuant to the Exchange Agreement and <u>Section 5.5(f)</u> or (b) pursuant to a distribution (including any split or combination) of Common Units to all of the holders of Common Units pursuant to <u>Section 5.7</u>.

(b) Each additional Partnership Interest authorized to be issued by the Partnership pursuant to <u>Section 5.5(a)</u> may be issued in one or more classes, or one or more series of any such classes, with such designations, preferences, rights, powers and duties (which may be senior or junior to existing classes and series of Partnership Interests), as shall be fixed by the General Partner, including (i) the right to share in Partnership profits and losses or items thereof; (ii) the right to share in Partnership distributions; (iii) the rights upon dissolution and liquidation of the Partnership; (iv) whether, and the terms and conditions upon which, the Partnership may, or

shall be required to, redeem the Partnership Interest (including sinking fund provisions); (v) whether such Partnership Interest is issued with the privilege of conversion or exchange and, if so, the terms and conditions of such conversion or exchange; (vi) the terms and conditions upon which each Partnership Interest will be issued, evidenced by certificates and assigned or transferred; (vii) the method for determining the Percentage Interest as to such Partnership Interest; and (viii) the right, if any, of each such Partnership Interest to vote on Partnership matters, including matters relating to the relative rights, preferences and privileges of such Partnership Interest.

(c) The General Partner shall take all actions that it determines to be necessary or appropriate in connection with (i) each issuance of Partnership Interests and Derivative Instruments pursuant to this <u>Section 5.5</u>, (ii) the conversion of the General Partner's (and its Affiliates') Combined Interest into Common Units pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, (iii) reflecting the admission of such additional Partners in the books and records of the Partnership as the Record Holder of such Partnership Interests, and (iv) all additional issuances of Partnership Interests. The General Partner shall determine the relative rights, powers and duties of the holders of the Units or other Partnership Interests being so issued. The General Partner shall do all things necessary to comply with the Delaware Act and is authorized and directed to do all things that it determines to be necessary or appropriate in connection with any future issuance of Partnership Interests or in connection with the conversion of the General Partner's (and its Affiliates') Combined Interest into Common Units pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, including compliance with any statute, rule, regulation or guideline of any federal, state or other governmental agency or any National Securities Exchange on which the Units or other Partnership Interests are listed or admitted to trading.

(d) No fractional Units shall be issued by the Partnership.

(e) If at any time Energen or any other Record Holder of one or more Class B Units does not hold an equal number of Class B Units and OpCo Units, the Partnership shall issue additional Class B Units to such holder or cancel Class B Units held by such holder, as applicable, such that the number of Class B Units held by such holder is equal to the number of OpCo Units held by such holder; *provided*, that no Class B Units shall be cancelled in connection with a transfer of an equal number of Class B Units and OpCo Units to an Affiliate in accordance with <u>Section 4.5(d)</u> and the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement. Any determination as to the number of OpCo Units and/or Class B Units held by any Person shall be made by the General Partner and shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

(f) Upon any exchange of OpCo Units and Class B Units for Common Units pursuant to the Exchange Agreement, the Partnership shall issue to the exchanging holder of such OpCo Units and Class B Units (i) a number of Common Units equal to the number of OpCo Units delivered in connection with such exchange and (ii) an amount of cash equal to the product of the number of Class B Units exchanged multiplied by the Class B Capital Contribution Per Unit Amount. The Class B Units involved in such exchange shall automatically be cancelled and shall cease to be outstanding.

Section 5.6 *Preemptive Right*. Except as provided in this <u>Section 5.6</u> or as otherwise provided in a separate agreement by the Partnership, no Person shall have any preemptive,

preferential or other similar right with respect to the issuance of any Partnership Interest, whether unissued, held in the treasury or hereafter created. The General Partner shall have the right, which it may from time to time assign in whole or in part to any of its Affiliates, to purchase Partnership Interests from the Partnership whenever, and on the same terms that, the Partnership issues Partnership Interests to Persons other than the General Partner and its Affiliates, to the extent necessary to maintain the Percentage Interests of the General Partner and its Affiliates equal to that which existed immediately prior to the issuance of such Partnership Interests.

#### Section 5.7 Splits and Combinations.

(a) Subject to Section 5.7(d), the Partnership may make a Pro Rata distribution of Partnership Interests to all Record Holders or may effect a subdivision or combination of Partnership Interests so long as, after any such event, each Partner shall have the same Percentage Interest in the Partnership as before such event, and any amounts calculated on a per Unit basis or stated as a number of Units are proportionately adjusted retroactively to the beginning of the Partnership; *provided, however*, that the Partnership may not effect a subdivision or combination of Partnership Interests described in this Section 5.7(a) unless (i) the Operating Company also effects an equivalent subdivision or combination of OpCo Units pursuant to the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement and (ii) any such distribution, subdivision or combination of the Common Units shall be accompanied by a simultaneous and proportionate distribution, subdivision or combination of the Section 5.7(a) unless corresponding changes are made to the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement. This

(b) Whenever such a distribution, subdivision or combination of Partnership Interests is declared, the General Partner shall select a Record Date as of which the distribution, subdivision or combination shall be effective and shall send notice thereof at least 20 days prior to such Record Date to each Record Holder as of a date not less than 10 days prior to the date of such notice. The General Partner also may cause a firm of independent public accountants selected by it to calculate the number of Partnership Interests to be held by each Record Holder after giving effect to such distribution, subdivision, combination or reorganization. The General Partner shall be entitled to rely on any certificate provided by such firm as conclusive evidence of the accuracy of such calculation.

(c) Promptly following any such distribution, subdivision, or combination, the Partnership may issue Certificates or uncertificated Partnership Interests to the Record Holders of Partnership Interests as of the applicable Record Date representing the new number of Partnership Interests held by such Record Holders, or the General Partner may adopt such other procedures that it determines to be necessary or appropriate to reflect such changes. If any such combination results in a smaller total number of Partnership Interests Outstanding, the Partnership shall require, as a condition to the delivery to a Record Holder of Partnership Interests represented by Certificates, the surrender of any Certificate held by such Record Holder immediately prior to such Record Date.

(d) The Partnership shall not issue fractional Units upon any distribution, subdivision or combination of Partnership Interests. If a distribution, subdivision, combination or reorganization of Partnership Interests would result in the issuance of fractional Units but for the provisions of <u>Section 5.5(d)</u> and this <u>Section 5.7(d)</u>, each fractional Unit shall be rounded to the nearest whole Unit (and a 0.5 Unit shall be rounded to the next higher Unit).

Section 5.8 *Fully Paid and Non-Assessable Nature of Limited Partner Interests*. All Limited Partner Interests issued pursuant to, and in accordance with the requirements of, this <u>Article V</u> shall be fully paid and non-assessable Limited Partner Interests in the Partnership, except as such non-assessability may be affected by Sections 17-607 or 17-804 of the Delaware Act.

### ARTICLE VI DISTRIBUTIONS

#### Section 6.1 Distributions to Record Holders.

(a) The Board of Directors may adopt a cash distribution policy, which it may change from time to time without amendment to this Agreement.

(b) Prior to making any distributions in respect of any calendar quarter to Record Holders of Common Units pursuant to <u>Section 6.1(c)</u>, the Partnership will distribute to the Record Holders of Class B Units a quarterly amount per Class B Unit equal to the Class B Distribution Amount and will distribute to the Record Holder of the General Partner Interest a quarterly amount in respect of the General Partner Interest equal to the GP Distribution Amount; *provided, however*, that if insufficient cash is available for such distribution, any amount distributed pursuant to this <u>Section 6.1(b)</u> will be distributed pro rata between the Class B Units, on the one hand, and the GP Interest, on the other hand, based on the ratio of (A) the product of the number of outstanding Class B Units multiplied by Class B Distribution Amount to (B) the GP Distribution Amount.

(c) Except as contemplated by <u>Section 5.7</u>, after making the distributions in <u>Section 6.1(b)</u>, (i) the Partnership will make distributions, if any, to all Record Holders of Common Units, Pro Rata and (ii) no distributions shall be made under any circumstances in respect of any Class B Units, except to the extent provided in <u>Section 6.1(b)</u>.

(d) All distributions required to be made under this Agreement shall be made subject to Sections 17-607 and 17-804 of the Delaware Act.

(e) Notwithstanding <u>Section 6.1(b)</u> and <u>Section 6.1(c)</u>, in the event of the dissolution and liquidation of the Partnership, cash shall be applied and distributed solely in accordance with, and subject to the terms and conditions of, <u>Section 12.4</u>.

(f) Each distribution in respect of a Partnership Interest shall be paid by the Partnership, directly or through any Transfer Agent or through any other Person or agent, only to the Record Holder of such Partnership Interest as of the Record Date set for such distribution. Such payment shall constitute full payment and satisfaction of the Partnership's liability in respect of such payment, regardless of any claim of any Person who may have an interest in such payment by reason of an assignment or otherwise.

### ARTICLE VII MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF BUSINESS

Section 7.1 Management.

(a) The General Partner shall conduct, direct and manage all activities of the Partnership. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, but without limitation on the ability of the General Partner to delegate its rights and power to other Persons, all management powers over the business and affairs of the Partnership shall be exclusively vested in the General Partner, and no other Partner shall have any management power over the business and affairs of the Partnership. In addition to the powers now or hereafter granted to a general partner of a limited partnership under applicable law or that are granted to the General Partner under any other provision of this Agreement, the General Partner, subject to <u>Section 7.4</u>, shall have full power and authority to do all things and on such terms as it determines to be necessary or appropriate to conduct the business of the Partnership, to exercise all powers set forth in <u>Section 2.5</u> and to effectuate the purposes set forth in <u>Section 2.4</u>, including the following:

(i) the making of any expenditures, the lending or borrowing of money, the assumption or guarantee of, or other contracting for, indebtedness and other liabilities, the issuance of evidences of indebtedness, including indebtedness that is convertible or exchangeable into Partnership Interests, and the incurring of any other obligations;

(ii) the making of tax, regulatory and other filings, or rendering of periodic or other reports to governmental or other agencies having jurisdiction over the business or assets of the Partnership;

(iii) the acquisition, disposition, mortgage, pledge, encumbrance, hypothecation or exchange of any or all of the assets of the Partnership or the merger or other combination of the Partnership with or into another Person (the matters described in this clause (iii) being subject, however, to any prior approval that may be required by <u>Section 7.4</u> or <u>Article XIV</u>);

(iv) the use of the assets of the Partnership (including cash on hand) for any purpose consistent with the terms of this Agreement, including the financing of the conduct of the operations of the Partnership Group; the lending of funds to other Persons (including other Group Members); the repayment or guarantee of obligations of any Group Member; and the making of capital contributions to any Group Member;

(v) the negotiation, execution and performance of any contracts, conveyances or other instruments (including instruments that limit the liability of the Partnership under contractual arrangements to all or particular assets of the Partnership, with the other party to the contract to have no recourse against the General Partner or its assets other than its interest in the Partnership, even if the same results in the terms of the transaction being less favorable to the Partnership than would otherwise be the case);

(vi) the distribution of cash or cash equivalents by the Partnership;

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(vii) the selection, employment, retention and dismissal of employees (including employees having titles such as "chief executive officer," "president," "chief financial officer," "chief operating officer," "general counsel," "vice president," "secretary" and "treasurer") and agents, outside attorneys, accountants, consultants and contractors of the General Partner or the Partnership Group and the determination of their compensation and other terms of employment or hiring;

(viii) the maintenance of insurance for the benefit of the Partnership Group, the Partners and Indemnitees;

(ix) the formation of, or acquisition of an interest in, and the contribution of property and the making of loans to, any limited or general partnerships, joint ventures, corporations, limited liability companies or other Persons (including the acquisition of interests in, and the contributions of property to, any Group Member from time to time);

(x) the control of any matters affecting the rights and obligations of the Partnership, including the bringing and defending of actions at law or in equity and otherwise engaging in the conduct of litigation, arbitration or mediation and the incurring of legal expense and the settlement of claims and litigation;

(xi) the indemnification of any Person against liabilities and contingencies to the extent permitted by law;

(xii) the entering into of listing agreements with any National Securities Exchange and the delisting of some or all of the Partnership Interests from, or requesting that trading be suspended on, any such exchange;

(xiii) the purchase, sale or other acquisition or disposition of Partnership Interests, or the issuance of Derivative Instruments;

(xiv) the undertaking of any action in connection with the Partnership's participation in the management of any Group Member;

(xv) subject to Section 7.4, the undertaking of any action in connection with the Partnership's participation and management of the Operating Company as the Operating Company's managing member or a unitholder in the Operating Company; and

(xvi) the entering into of agreements with any of its Affiliates, including any agreements to render services to a Group Member or to itself in the discharge of its duties as General Partner of the Partnership.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement, the Delaware Act or any applicable law, rule or regulation, each of the Partners, each other Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest and each other Person bound by this Agreement hereby (i) approves, ratifies and confirms the execution, delivery and performance by the parties thereto of this Agreement, the Underwriting Agreement, the Operational Services and Secondment Agreement, the Exchange Agreement and the other agreements described in or filed as exhibits to the IPO Registration Statement that are related to the transactions contemplated by

the IPO Registration Statement and to which the Partnership is a party (collectively, the "*Transaction Documents*") (in each case other than this Agreement, without giving effect to any amendments, supplements or restatements thereof entered into after the date such Person becomes bound by the provisions of this Agreement); (ii) agrees that the General Partner (on its own or on behalf of the Partnership) is authorized to execute, deliver and perform the agreements referred to in clause (i) of this sentence and the other agreements, acts, transactions and matters described in or contemplated by the IPO Registration Statement on behalf of the Partnership without any further act, approval or vote of the Partners or the other Persons who may acquire an interest in Partnership Interests or are otherwise bound by this Agreement; and (iii) agrees that the execution, delivery or performance by the General Partner, any Group Member or any Affiliate of any of them of this Agreement or any agreement authorized or permitted under this Agreement (including the exercise by the General Partner or any Affiliate of the General Partner of the rights accorded pursuant to <u>Article XV</u>) shall not constitute a breach by the General Partner of any duty that the General Partner may owe the Partnership or the Partners or any other Persons under this Agreement (or any other agreements) or of any duty existing at law, in equity or otherwise.

Section 7.2 *Replacement of Fiduciary Duties*. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, to the extent that, at law or in equity, the General Partner or any other Indemnitee would have duties (including fiduciary duties) to the Partnership, to another Partner, to any Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest or to any other Person bound by this Agreement, all such duties (including fiduciary duties) are hereby eliminated, to the fullest extent permitted by law, and replaced with the duties expressly set forth herein. The elimination of duties (including fiduciary duties) and replacement thereof with the duties expressly set forth herein are approved by the Partnership, each of the Partners, each other Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest and each other Person bound by this Agreement.

Section 7.3 *Certificate of Limited Partnership.* The General Partner has caused the Certificate of Limited Partnership to be filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware as required by the Delaware Act. The General Partner shall use all reasonable efforts to cause to be filed such other certificates or documents that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate for the formation, continuation, qualification and operation of a limited partnership (or a partnership in which the limited partners have limited liability) in the State of Delaware or any other state in which the Partnership may elect to do business or own property. To the extent the General Partner determines such action to be necessary or appropriate, the General Partner shall file amendments to and restatements of the Certificate of Limited Partnership and do all things to maintain the Partnership as a limited partnership (or a partnership or other entity in which the limited partners have limited liability) under the laws of the State of Delaware or of any other state in which the Partnership may elect to do business or own property. Subject to the terms of <u>Section 3.4(a)</u>, the General Partner shall not be required, before or after filing, to deliver or mail a copy of the Certificate of Limited Partnership, any qualification document or any amendment thereto to any Partner.

Section 7.4 *Restrictions on the General Partner's Authority*. Except as provided in <u>Articles XII</u> and <u>XIV</u>, the General Partner may not sell, exchange or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership Group, taken as a whole, in a single transaction or a series of related transactions without the approval of a Unit Majority; *provided, however*, that this provision shall not preclude or limit the General Partner's ability to mortgage, pledge,

hypothecate or grant a security interest in all or substantially all of the assets of the Partnership Group and shall not apply to any sale of any or all of the assets of the Partnership Group pursuant to the foreclosure of, or other realization upon, any such encumbrance.

#### Section 7.5 Reimbursement of the General Partner.

(a) Except as provided in this <u>Section 7.5</u>, the Operational Services and Secondment Agreement and elsewhere in this Agreement, the General Partner shall not be compensated for its services as a general partner or managing member of any Group Member.

(b) The General Partner shall be reimbursed on a monthly basis, or such other basis as the General Partner may determine, for (i) all direct and indirect expenses it incurs or payments it makes on behalf of the Partnership Group (including salary, bonus, incentive compensation and other amounts paid to any Person (including Affiliates of the General Partner) to perform services for the Partnership Group or for the General Partner in the discharge of its duties to the Partnership Group), and (ii) all other expenses allocable to the Partnership Group or otherwise incurred by the General Partner in connection with operating the Partnership Group's business (including expenses allocated to the General Partner by its Affiliates). The General Partner shall determine the expenses that are allocable to the Partnership Group. Reimbursements pursuant to this Section 7.5(b) shall be in addition to any reimbursement to the General Partner as a result of indemnification pursuant to <u>Section 7.7</u>.

(c) The General Partner and its Affiliates may charge any member of the Partnership Group a management fee to the extent necessary to allow the Partnership Group to reduce the amount of any state franchise or income tax or any tax based upon the revenues or gross margin of any member of the Partnership Group if the tax benefit produced by the payment for such management fee of such management fee or fees exceeds the amount of such fee or fees.

(d) The General Partner, without the approval of the Limited Partners (who shall have no right to vote in respect thereof), may propose and adopt on behalf of the Partnership benefit plans, programs and practices (including plans, programs and practices involving the issuance of Partnership Interests), or cause the Partnership to issue Partnership Interests in connection with, or pursuant to, any benefit plan, program or practice maintained or sponsored by the General Partner or any of its Affiliates, any Group Member or their Affiliates, or any of them, in each case for the benefit of employees, officers, consultants and directors of the General Partner or its Affiliates, in respect of services performed, directly or indirectly, for the benefit of the Partnership Group. The Partnership agrees to issue and sell to the General Partner or any of its Affiliates any Partnership Interests that the General Partner or such Affiliates are obligated to provide to any employees, officers, consultants and practices (including the net cost to the General Partner or such Affiliates of Partnership Interests purchased by the General Partner or such Affiliates, from the Partnership or otherwise, to fulfill awards under such plans, programs and practices) shall be reimbursed in accordance with Section 7.5(b). Any and all obligations of the General Partner under any benefit plans, programs or practices adopted by the General Partner as permitted by this <u>Section 7.5(d)</u> shall constitute obligations of the General Partner hereunder and shall be assumed by any successor General Partner approved pursuant to <u>Section 11.1</u> or <u>Section 11.2</u> or the transferee of or successor to all of the General Partner's General Partner Interest pursuant to <u>Section 4.6</u>.

### Section 7.6 Outside Activities.

(a) The General Partner, for so long as it is the General Partner of the Partnership, shall not engage in any business or activity or incur any debts or liabilities except in connection with or incidental to (i) its performance as general partner or managing member, if any, of one or more Group Members or as described in or contemplated by the IPO Registration Statement, (ii) the acquiring, owning or disposing of debt securities or equity interests in any Group Member or (iii) the direct or indirect provision of management, advisory, and administrative services to its Affiliates or to other Persons.

(b) Each Unrestricted Person (other than the General Partner) shall have the right to engage in businesses of every type and description and other activities for profit and to engage in and possess an interest in other business ventures of any and every type or description, whether in businesses engaged in or anticipated to be engaged in by any Group Member, independently or with others, including business interests and activities in direct competition with the business and activities of any Group Member. No such business interest or activity shall constitute a breach of this Agreement, any fiduciary or other duty existing at law, in equity or otherwise, or obligation of any type whatsoever to the Partnership or other Group Member, to another Partner, to any Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest or to any other Person bound by this Agreement.

(c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the doctrine of corporate opportunity, or any analogous doctrine, shall not apply to any Unrestricted Person (including the General Partner). No Unrestricted Person (including the General Partner) who acquires knowledge of a potential transaction, agreement, arrangement or other matter that may be an opportunity for the Partnership, shall have any duty to communicate or offer such opportunity to any Group Member, and such Unrestricted Person (including the General Partner) shall not be liable to the Partnership or other Group Member, to another Partner, to any Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest or to any other Person bound by this Agreement for breach of any fiduciary or other duty existing at law, in equity or otherwise by reason of the fact that such Unrestricted Person (including the General Partner) pursues or acquires such opportunity for itself, directs such opportunity to another Person or does not communicate such opportunity or information to any Group Member.

(d) Subject to the terms of <u>Section 7.6(a)</u>, <u>Section 7.6(b)</u> and <u>Section 7.6(c)</u>, but otherwise notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, (i) the engaging in competitive activities by any Unrestricted Person (other than the General Partner) in accordance with the provisions of this <u>Section 7.6</u> is hereby approved by the Partnership and all Partners, and (ii) it shall be deemed not to be a breach of any fiduciary duty or any other duty or obligation of any type whatsoever of the General Partner or of any other Unrestricted Person for the Unrestricted Person (other than the General Partner) to engage in such business interests and activities in preference to or to the exclusion of the Partnership; provided such Unrestricted Person does not engage in such business or activity as a result of or using confidential or proprietary information provided by or on behalf of the Partnership to such Unrestricted Person.

(e) The General Partner and each of its Affiliates may acquire Units or other Partnership Interests in addition to those acquired on and/or prior to the First A&R Date and, except as otherwise expressly provided in <u>Sections 4.5</u>, <u>5.5</u> and <u>7.11</u>, shall be entitled to exercise, at their option, all rights relating to all Units or other Partnership Interests acquired by them.

#### Section 7.7 Indemnification.

(a) To the fullest extent permitted by law, all Indemnitees shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Partnership from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities (joint or several), expenses (including legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties, interest, settlements or other amounts arising from any and all threatened, pending or completed claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, and whether formal or informal and including appeals, in which any Indemnitee may be involved, or is threatened to be involved, as a party or otherwise, by reason of its status as an Indemnitee and acting (or refraining to act) in such capacity; provided, that the Indemnitee shall not be indemnified and held harmless if there has been a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter for which the Indemnitee is seeking indemnification pursuant to this Agreement, the Indemnitee acted in Bad Faith or engaged in willful misconduct or fraud or, in the case of a criminal matter, acted with knowledge that the Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful; provided, further, no indemnification pursuant to this <u>Section 7.7</u> shall be available to any Indemnitee (other than a Group Member) with respect to any such Affiliate's obligations pursuant to the Transaction Documents. Any indemnification pursuant to this <u>Section 7.7</u> shall be made only out of the assets of the Partnership, it being agreed that the General Partner shall not be personally liable for such indemnification and shall have no obligation to contribute or loan any monies or property to the Partnership to enable it to effectuate such indemnification.

(b) To the fullest extent permitted by law, expenses (including legal fees and expenses) incurred by an Indemnitee who is indemnified pursuant to Section 7.7(a) in appearing at, participating in or defending any claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding shall, from time to time, be advanced by the Partnership prior to a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter for which the Indemnitee is seeking indemnification pursuant to this Section 7.7, the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified upon receipt by the Partnership of any undertaking by or on behalf of the Indemnitee to repay such amount if it shall be ultimately determined that the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified as authorized by this Section 7.7.

(c) The indemnification provided by this <u>Section 7.7</u> shall be in addition to any other rights to which an Indemnitee may be entitled under any agreement, pursuant to any vote of the holders of Outstanding Limited Partner Interests, as a matter of law, in equity or otherwise, both as to actions in the Indemnitee's capacity as an Indemnitee and as to actions in any other capacity (including any capacity under the Underwriting Agreement), and shall continue as to an Indemnitee who has ceased to serve in such capacity and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors, assigns and administrators of the Indemnitee.

(d) The Partnership may purchase and maintain (or reimburse the General Partner or its Affiliates for the cost of) insurance, on behalf of the General Partner, its Affiliates,

the Indemnitees and such other Persons as the General Partner shall determine, against any liability that may be asserted against, or expense that may be incurred by, such Person in connection with the Partnership's activities or such Person's activities on behalf of the Partnership, regardless of whether the Partnership would have the power to indemnify such Person against such liability under the provisions of this Agreement.

(e) For purposes of this <u>Section 7.7</u>, the Partnership shall be deemed to have requested an Indemnitee to serve as fiduciary of an employee benefit plan whenever the performance by it of its duties to the Partnership also imposes duties on, or otherwise involves services by, it to the plan or participants or beneficiaries of the plan; excise taxes assessed on an Indemnitee with respect to an employee benefit plan pursuant to applicable law shall constitute "fines" within the meaning of <u>Section 7.7(a)</u>; and action taken or omitted by an Indemnitee with respect to any employee benefit plan in the performance of its duties for a purpose reasonably believed by it to be in the best interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan shall be deemed to be for a purpose that is in the best interests of the Partnership.

(f) In no event may an Indemnitee subject the Limited Partners to personal liability by reason of the indemnification provisions set forth in this Agreement.

(g) An Indemnitee shall not be denied indemnification in whole or in part under this <u>Section 7.7</u> because the Indemnitee had an interest in the transaction with respect to which the indemnification applies if the transaction was otherwise permitted by the terms of this Agreement.

(h) The provisions of this <u>Section 7.7</u> are for the benefit of the Indemnitees and their heirs, successors, assigns, executors and administrators and shall not be deemed to create any rights for the benefit of any other Persons.

(i) No amendment, modification or repeal of this Section 7.7 or any provision hereof shall in any manner terminate, reduce or impair the right of any past, present or future Indemnitee to be indemnified by the Partnership, nor the obligations of the Partnership to indemnify any such Indemnitee under and in accordance with the provisions of this Section 7.7 as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted.

# Section 7.8 Limitation of Liability of Indemnitees.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement, or under the Delaware Act or any other law, rule or regulation or at equity, no Indemnitee shall be liable for monetary damages or otherwise to the Partnership, to another Partner, to any other Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest or to any other Person bound by this Agreement, for losses sustained or liabilities incurred, of any kind or character, as a result of its or any of any other Indemnitee's determinations, act(s) or omission(s) in their capacities as Indemnitees; *provided, however*, that an Indemnitee shall be liable for losses or liabilities sustained or incurred by the Partnership, the other Partners, any other Persons who acquire an interest in a Partnership Interest or any other Person bound by this Agreement, if it is determined by a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction

that such losses or liabilities were the result of the conduct of that Indemnitee engaged in by it in Bad Faith or engaged in willful misconduct or fraud or, with respect to any criminal conduct, with the knowledge that its conduct was unlawful.

(b) The General Partner may exercise any of the powers granted to it by this Agreement and perform any of the duties imposed upon it hereunder either directly or by or through its agents, and the General Partner shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any such agent appointed by the General Partner if such appointment was not made in Bad Faith.

(c) To the extent that, at law or in equity, an Indemnitee has duties (including fiduciary duties) and liabilities relating thereto to the Partnership, to the Partners, to any Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest or to any other Person bound by this Agreement, the General Partner and any other Indemnitee acting in connection with the Partnership's business or affairs shall not be liable to the Partnership, to any Partner, to any Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest or to any other Person bound by this Agreement for its reliance on the provisions of this Agreement.

(d) Any amendment, modification or repeal of this <u>Section 7.8</u> or any provision hereof shall be prospective only and shall not in any way affect the limitations on the liability of the Indemnitees under this <u>Section 7.8</u> as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted.

### Section 7.9 Resolution of Conflicts of Interest; Standards of Conduct and Modification of Duties.

(a) Whenever the General Partner, acting in its capacity as the general partner of the Partnership, or the Board of Directors or any committee of the Board of Directors (including the Conflicts Committee) or any Affiliates of the General Partner cause the General Partner to make a determination or take or omit to take any action in such capacity, whether or not under this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement or any other agreement contemplated hereby, then, unless another lesser standard is provided for in this Agreement, the General Partner, the Board of Directors, such committee or such Affiliates, shall make such determination, or take or omit to take such action, in Good Faith. The foregoing and other lesser standards provided for in this Agreement are the sole and exclusive standards governing any such determinations, actions and omissions of the General Partner, the Board of Directors, any committee of the Board of Directors (including the Conflicts Committee) and any Affiliate of the General Partner and no such Person shall be subject to any fiduciary duty or other duty or obligation, or any other, different or higher standard (all of which duties, obligations and standards are hereby waived and disclaimed), under this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement or any other agreement contemplated hereby, or under the Delaware Act or any other law, rule or regulation or at equity. Any such determination, action or omission by the General Partner, the Board of Directors of the General Partner or any committee thereof (including the Conflicts Committee) or of any Affiliates of the General Partner, will for all purposes be presumed to have been in Good Faith. In any proceeding brought by or on behalf of the Partnership, any Limited Partner, or any other Person who acquires an interest in a

Partnership Interest or any other Person who is bound by this Agreement, challenging such determination, act or omission, the Person bringing or prosecuting such proceeding shall have the burden of proving that such determination, action or omission was not in Good Faith. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or any duty otherwise existing at law or equity, the existence of the conflicts of interest described in the IPO Registration Statement are hereby approved by all Partners and shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement or any such duty.

(b) Whenever the General Partner makes a determination or takes or omits to take any action, or any of its Affiliates causes it to do so, not acting in its capacity as the general partner of the Partnership, whether or not under this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement or any other agreement contemplated hereby, then the General Partner, or such Affiliates causing it to do so, are entitled, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to make such determination or to take or omit to take such action free of any fiduciary duty or duty of Good Faith, or other duty or obligation existing at law, in equity or otherwise whatsoever to the Partnership, to another Partner, to any Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest or to any other Person bound by this Agreement, and the General Partner, or such Affiliates causing it to do so, shall not, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be required to act in Good Faith or pursuant to any fiduciary or other duty or standard imposed by this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement or any other agreement contemplated hereby or under the Delaware Act or any other law, rule or regulation or at equity.

(c) For purposes of Section 7.9(a) and Section 7.9(b) of this Agreement, "acting in its capacity as the general partner of the Partnership" means and is solely limited to, the General Partner exercising its authority as a general partner under this Agreement, other than when it is "acting in its individual capacity." For purposes of this Agreement, "acting in its individual capacity" means: (i) any action by the General Partner or its Affiliates other than through the exercise of the General Partner of its authority as a general partner under this Agreement; and (ii) any action or inaction by the General Partner of its rights, powers or authority under this Agreement that are modified by: (A) the phrase "at the option of the General Partner," (B) the phrase "in its sole discretion" or "in its discretion" or (iii) some variation of the phrases set forth in clauses (i) and (ii). For the avoidance of doubt, whenever the General Partner votes, acquires Partnership Interests or transfers its Partnership Interests, or refrains from voting or transferring its Partnership Interests, it shall be and be deemed to be "acting in its individual capacity."

(d) The General Partner may in its discretion submit any determination, action or omission that would otherwise be decided by the General Partner pursuant to <u>Section 7.9(a)</u> (i) for Special Approval or (ii) for approval by the vote of a majority of the Units (excluding Units owned by the General Partner or its Affiliates, if any). If the General Partner does not submit the determination, action or omission as provided in either clauses (i) or (ii) in the preceding sentence, then any such determination, action or omission shall be governed by <u>Section 7.9(a)</u> above. If any determination, action or omission: (A) receives Special Approval; or (B) receives approval of a majority of the Units (excluding Units owned by the General Partner or its Affiliates, if any), then such determination, action or omission shall be conclusively deemed to be approved by the Partnership, all the Partners, each Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest and each other Person who is bound by this Agreement, and shall not constitute a breach of this

Agreement, of any Group Member Agreement, of any agreement contemplated herein or therein, or of any fiduciary or other duty or obligation existing at law, in equity or otherwise or obligation of any type whatsoever.

(e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the General Partner and its Affiliates or any other Indemnitee shall have no duty or obligation, express or implied, to (i) sell or otherwise dispose of any asset of the Partnership Group or (ii) permit any Group Member to use any facilities or assets of the General Partner and its Affiliates, except as may be provided in contracts entered into from time to time specifically dealing with such use. Any determination by the General Partner or any of its Affiliates to enter into such contracts or transactions shall be in its sole discretion.

(f) The Partners, and each Person who acquires an interest in a Partnership Interest or is otherwise bound by this Agreement hereby authorize the General Partner, on behalf of the Partnership as a partner or member of a Group Member, to approve actions by the general partner or managing member of such Group Member similar to those actions permitted to be taken by the General Partner pursuant to this <u>Section 7.9</u>.

(g) For the avoidance of doubt, whenever the Board of Directors, any committee of the Board of Directors (including the Conflicts Committee), the officers of the General Partner or any Affiliates of the General Partner make a determination on behalf of the General Partner, or cause the General Partner to take or omit to take any action, whether in the General Partner's capacity as the General Partner or in its individual capacity, the standards of care applicable to the General Partner shall apply to such Persons, and such Persons shall be entitled to all benefits and rights of the General Partner hereunder, including waivers and modifications of duties, protections and presumptions, as if such Persons were the General Partner hereunder.

### Section 7.10 Other Matters Concerning the General Partner.

(a) The General Partner may rely, and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon, any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, consent, order, bond, debenture or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties.

(b) The General Partner may consult with legal counsel, accountants, appraisers, management consultants, investment bankers and other consultants and advisers selected by it, and any act taken or omitted to be taken in reliance upon the advice or opinion (including an Opinion of Counsel) of such Persons as to matters that the General Partner reasonably believes to be within such Person's professional or expert competence shall be conclusively presumed to have been done or omitted in Good Faith and in accordance with such advice or opinion.

(c) The General Partner shall have the right, in respect of any of its powers or obligations hereunder, to act through any of its or the Partnership's duly authorized officers, a duly appointed attorney or attorneys-in-fact.

Section 7.11 *Purchase or Sale of Partnership Interests*. The General Partner may cause the Partnership to purchase or otherwise acquire Partnership Interests. As long as any Partnership Interests are held by any Group Member, such Partnership Interests shall not be entitled to any vote and shall not be considered to be Outstanding.

# Section 7.12 Registration Rights of the General Partner and its Affiliates.

(a) If (i) the General Partner or any of its Affiliates (including for purposes of this Section 7.12, any Person that is an Affiliate of the General Partner at the date hereof notwithstanding that it may later cease to be an Affiliate of the General Partner) holds Partnership Interests (including Common Units acquired pursuant to the Exchange Agreement) that it desires to sell and (ii) Rule 144 of the Securities Act (or any successor rule or regulation to Rule 144) or another exemption from registration is not available to enable such holder of Partnership Interests (the "Holder") to dispose of the number of Partnership Interests it desires to sell at the time it desires to do so without registration under the Securities Act, then at the option and upon the request of the Holder, the Partnership shall file with the Commission as promptly as practicable after receiving such request, and use all commercially reasonable efforts to cause to become effective and remain effective for a period of not less than six months following its effective date or such shorter period as shall terminate when all Partnership Interests covered by such registration statement have been sold, a registration statement under the Securities Act registering the offering and sale of the number of Partnership Interests specified by the Holder; provided, however, that the aggregate offering price of any such offering and sale of Partnership Interests covered by such registration statement as provided for in this Section 7.12(a) shall not be less than \$5.0 million; provided further, that the Partnership shall not be required to effect more than two registrations pursuant to this Section 7.12(a) in any twelve-month period; and provided further, however that if the General Partner determines that a postponement of the requested registration would be in the best interests of the Partnership and its Partners due to a pending transaction, investigation or other event, the filing of such registration statement or the effectiveness thereof may be deferred for up to six months, but not thereafter. In connection with any registration pursuant to the immediately preceding sentence, the Partnership shall (i) promptly prepare and file (A) such documents as may be necessary to register or qualify the securities subject to such registration under the securities laws of such states as the Holder shall reasonably request; provided, however, that no such qualification shall be required in any jurisdiction where, as a result thereof, the Partnership would become subject to general service of process or to taxation or qualification to do business as a foreign corporation or partnership doing business in such jurisdiction solely as a result of such registration, and (B) such documents as may be necessary to apply for listing or to list the Partnership Interests subject to such registration on such National Securities Exchange as the Holder shall reasonably request, and (ii) do any and all other acts and things that may be necessary or appropriate to enable the Holder to consummate a public sale of such Partnership Interests in such states. Except as set forth in Section 7.12(c), all costs and expenses of any such registration and offering (other than the underwriting discounts and commissions) shall be paid by the Partnership, without reimbursement by the Holder.

(b) If the Partnership shall at any time propose to file a registration statement under the Securities Act for an offering of Partnership Interests for cash (other than an offering relating solely to a benefit plan), the Partnership shall use all commercially reasonable efforts to include such number or amount of Partnership Interests held by any Holder (including Common Units acquired pursuant to the Exchange Agreement) in such registration statement as the Holder shall request; *provided*, that the Partnership is not required to make any effort or take any action

to so include the Partnership Interests of the Holder once the registration statement becomes or is declared effective by the Commission, including any registration statement providing for the offering from time to time of Partnership Interests pursuant to Rule 415 of the Securities Act. If the proposed offering pursuant to this <u>Section 7.12(b)</u> shall be an underwritten offering, then, in the event that the managing underwriter or managing underwriters of such offering advise the Partnership and the Holder that in their opinion the inclusion of all or some of the Holder's Partnership Interests would adversely and materially affect the timing or success of the offering, the Partnership shall include in such offering only that number or amount, if any, of Partnership Interests held by the Holder that, in the opinion of the managing underwriter or managing underwriters, will not so adversely and materially affect the offering. Except as set forth in <u>Section 7.12(c)</u>, all costs and expenses of any such registration and offering (other than the underwriting discounts and commissions) shall be paid by the Partnership, without reimbursement by the Holder.

(c) If underwriters are engaged in connection with any registration referred to in this Section 7.12, the Partnership shall provide indemnification, representations, covenants, opinions and other assurance to the underwriters in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to such underwriters. Further, in addition to and not in limitation of the Partnership's obligation under <u>Section 7.7</u> the Partnership shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify and hold harmless the Holder, its officers, directors and each Person who controls the Holder (within the meaning of the Securities Act) and any agent thereof (collectively, "Indemnified Persons") against any losses, claims, demands, actions, causes of action, assessments, damages, liabilities (joint or several), costs and expenses (including interest, penalties and reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements), resulting to, imposed upon, or incurred by the Indemnified Persons, directly or indirectly, under the Securities Act or otherwise (hereinafter referred to in this Section 7.12(c) as a "claim" and in the plural as "claims") based upon, arising out of or resulting from any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact contained in any registration statement under which any Partnership Interests were registered under the Securities Act or any state securities or Blue Sky laws, in any preliminary prospectus or issuer free writing prospectus as defined in Rule 433 of the Securities Act (if used prior to the effective date of such registration statement), or in any summary or final prospectus or in any amendment or supplement thereto (if used during the period the Partnership is required to keep the registration statement current), or arising out of, based upon or resulting from the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements made therein not misleading; provided, however, that the Partnership shall not be liable to any Indemnified Person to the extent that any such claim arises out of, is based upon or results from an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in such registration statement, such preliminary, summary or final prospectus or free writing prospectus or such amendment or supplement, in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Partnership by or on behalf of such Indemnified Person specifically for use in the preparation thereof.

(d) The provisions of <u>Section 7.12(a)</u> and <u>Section 7.12(b)</u> shall continue to be applicable with respect to the General Partner (and any of the General Partner's Affiliates) after it ceases to be the General Partner, during a period of two years subsequent to the effective date of such cessation and for so long thereafter as is required for the Holder to sell all of the Partnership Interests with respect to which it has requested during such two-year period inclusion in a

registration statement otherwise filed or that a registration statement be filed; *provided*, *however*, that the Partnership shall not be required to file successive registration statements covering the same Partnership Interests for which registration was demanded during such two-year period. The provisions of <u>Section 7.12(c)</u> shall continue in effect thereafter.

(e) The rights to cause the Partnership to register Partnership Interests pursuant to this <u>Section 7.12</u> may be assigned (but only with all related obligations) by a Holder to a transferee or assignee of such Partnership Interests, provided (i) the Partnership is, within a reasonable time after such transfer, furnished with written notice of the name and address of such transferee or assignee and the Partnership Interests with respect to which such registration rights are being assigned; and (ii) such transferee or assignee agrees in writing to be bound by and subject to the terms set forth in this <u>Section 7.12</u>.

(f) Any request to register Partnership Interests pursuant to this <u>Section 7.12</u> shall (i) specify the Partnership Interests intended to be offered and sold by the Person making the request, (ii) express such Person's present intent to offer such Partnership Interests for distribution, (iii) describe the nature or method of the proposed offer and sale of Partnership Interests, and (iv) contain the undertaking of such Person to provide all such information and materials and take all action as may be required in order to permit the Partnership to comply with all applicable requirements in connection with the registration of such Partnership Interests.

(g) The Partnership may enter into separate registration rights agreements with the General Partner or any of its Affiliates.

(h) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, neither the General Partner nor any other Person shall have any registration rights or other rights under this <u>Section 7.12</u> in respect of Class B Units.

Section 7.13 *Reliance by Third Parties.* Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, any Person dealing with the Partnership shall be entitled to assume that the General Partner and any officer of the General Partner authorized by the General Partner to act on behalf of and in the name of the Partnership has full power and authority to encumber, sell or otherwise use in any manner any and all assets of the Partnership and to enter into any authorized contracts on behalf of the Partnership, and such Person shall be entitled to deal with the General Partner or any such officer as if it were the Partnership's sole party in interest, both legally and beneficially. Each Partner hereby waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any and all defenses or other remedies that may be available to such Partner to contest, negate or disaffirm any action of the General Partner or any such officer in connection with any such dealing. In no event shall any Person dealing with the General Partner or any such officer or ascertain that the terms of this Agreement have been complied with or to inquire into the necessity or expedience of any act or action of the General Partner or any such officer or its representatives. Each and every certificate, document or other instrument executed on behalf of the Partnership by the General Partner or its representatives shall be conclusive evidence in favor of any and every Person relying thereon or claiming thereunder that (a) at the time of the execution and delivery of such certificate, document or instrument, this Agreement was in full force and effect, (b) the Person executing and delivering such certificate, document or instrument was duly authorized and empowered to do so for and on behalf of the Partnership and (c) such certificate, document or instrument was duly executed and delivered in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement and is binding upon the Partnership.

### ARTICLE VIII BOOKS, RECORDS, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTS

Section 8.1 *Records and Accounting.* The General Partner shall keep or cause to be kept at the principal office of the Partnership appropriate books and records with respect to the Partnership's business, including all books and records necessary to provide to the Partners any information required to be provided pursuant to <u>Section 3.4(a)</u>. Any books and records maintained by or on behalf of the Partnership in the regular course of its business, including the record of the Record Holders of Units or other Partnership Interests, books of account and records of Partnership proceedings, may be kept on, or be in the form of, computer disks, hard drives, magnetic tape, photographs, micrographics or any other information storage device; provided, that the books and records so maintained are convertible into clearly legible written form within a reasonable period of time. The books of the Partnership shall be maintained, for financial reporting purposes, on an accrual basis in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Section 8.2 *Fiscal Year*. The fiscal year of the Partnership shall be a fiscal year ending December 31.

#### Section 8.3 Reports.

(a) Whether or not the Partnership is subject to the requirement to file reports with the Commission, as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 105 days after the close of each fiscal year of the Partnership (or such shorter period as required by the Commission), the General Partner shall cause to be mailed or made available, by any reasonable means, to each Record Holder of a Unit or other Partnership Interest as of a date selected by the General Partner, an annual report containing financial statements of the Partnership for such fiscal year of the Partnership, presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP, including a balance sheet and statements of operations, Partnership equity and cash flows, such statements to be audited by a firm of independent public accountants selected by the General Partner, and such other information as may be required by applicable law, regulation or rule of the Commission or of any National Securities Exchange on which the Units are listed or admitted to trading, or as the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate.

(b) Whether or not the Partnership is subject to the requirement to file reports with the Commission, as soon as practicable, but in no event later than 50 days after the close of each Quarter (or such shorter period as required by the Commission), except the last Quarter of each fiscal year, the General Partner shall cause to be mailed or made available, by any reasonable means to each Record Holder of a Unit or other Partnership Interest, as of a date selected by the General Partner, a report containing unaudited financial statements of the Partnership and such other information as may be required by applicable law, regulation or rule of the Commission or of any National Securities Exchange on which the Units are listed or admitted to trading, or as the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate.

(c) The General Partner shall be deemed to have made a report available to each Record Holder as required by this <u>Section 8.3</u> if it has either (i) filed such report with the Commission via its Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval system and such report is publicly available on such system or (ii) made such report available on any publicly available website maintained by the Partnership.

### ARTICLE IX TAX MATTERS

Section 9.1 *Tax Characterizations and Elections*. The Partnership is authorized and has elected to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 301.7701-3(c).

Section 9.2 *Withholding*. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the General Partner is authorized to take any action that may be required to cause the Partnership and other Group Members to comply with any withholding requirements established under the Code or any other U.S. federal, state or local law, including pursuant to Sections 1441, 1442, 1445, 1471 and 1472 of the Code, or established under any foreign law. To the extent that the Partnership is required or elects to withhold and pay over to any taxing authority any amount resulting from the allocation or distribution of income to any Partner, the General Partner may treat the amount withheld as a distribution of cash pursuant to Section 6.1 in the amount of such withholding from such Partner.

# ARTICLE X ADMISSION OF PARTNERS

### Section 10.1 Admission of Limited Partners.

(a) Upon the issuance by the Partnership of Class B Units to Energen on the IPO Closing Date, Energen shall, by acceptance of the Class B Units, and upon becoming the Record Holder of such Class B Units, be admitted to the Partnership as an Initial Partner in respect of the Class B Units issued to it.

(b) Upon the issuance by the Partnership of Common Units to the IPO Underwriters on the IPO Closing Date, such Persons shall, by acceptance of such Partnership Interests, and upon becoming the Record Holders of such Partnership Interests, be admitted to the Partnership as Initial Partners in respect of the Common Units issued to them and be bound by this Agreement, all with or without execution of this Agreement by such Persons.

(c) By acceptance of the transfer of any Limited Partner Interests or the issuance of any Limited Partner Interests in accordance herewith, and except as provided in <u>Section 4.8</u>, each transferee or other recipient of a Limited Partner Interest (including any nominee holder or an agent or representative acquiring such Limited Partner Interests for the account of another Person) (i) shall be admitted to the Partnership as a Limited Partner with respect to the Limited Partner Interests so transferred or issued to such Person when any such transfer or issuance is reflected in the books and records of the Partnership, (ii) shall become bound by the terms of, and shall be deemed to have agreed to be bound by, this Agreement, (iii) shall become the Record Holder of the Limited Partner Interests so transferred or issued, (iv) represents that the transferee

or other recipient has the capacity, power and authority to enter into this Agreement, and (v) makes the consents, acknowledgments and waivers contained in this Agreement, all with or without execution of this Agreement. The transfer of any Limited Partner Interests and/or the admission of any new Limited Partner shall not constitute an amendment to this Agreement. A Person may become a Record Holder without the consent or approval of any of the Partners. A Person may not become a Limited Partner without acquiring a Limited Partner Interest. The rights and obligations of a Person who is an Ineligible Holder shall be determined in accordance with <u>Section 4.8</u>.

(d) The name and mailing address of each Record Holder shall be listed on the books and records of the Partnership maintained for such purpose by the General Partner or the Transfer Agent. The General Partner shall update its books and records from time to time as necessary to reflect accurately the information therein (or shall cause the Transfer Agent to do so, as applicable). A Limited Partner Interest may be represented by a Certificate, as provided in <u>Section 4.1</u>.

(e) Any transfer of a Limited Partner Interest shall not entitle the transferee to share in the profits and losses, to receive distributions, to receive allocations of income, gain, loss, deduction or credit or any similar item or to any other rights to which the transferor was entitled until the transferee becomes a Limited Partner pursuant to <u>Section 10.1(c)</u>.

Section 10.2 Admission of Successor General Partner. A successor General Partner approved pursuant to <u>Section 11.1</u> or <u>Section 11.2</u> or the transferee of or successor to all of the General Partner Interest pursuant to <u>Section 4.6</u> who is proposed to be admitted as a successor General Partner shall be admitted to the Partnership as the General Partner, effective immediately prior to the withdrawal or removal of the predecessor or transferring General Partner, pursuant to <u>Section 11.2</u> or the transfer of the General Partner Interest pursuant to <u>Section 4.6</u>, provided, however, that no such successor shall be admitted to the Partnership until compliance with the terms of <u>Section 4.6</u> has occurred and such successor has executed and delivered such other documents or instruments as may be required to effect such admission. Any such successor shall, subject to the terms hereof, carry on the business of the members of the Partnership Group without dissolution.

Section 10.3 *Amendment of Agreement and Certificate of Limited Partnership.* To effect the admission to the Partnership of any Partner, the General Partner shall take all steps necessary under the Delaware Act to amend the records of the Partnership to reflect such admission and, if necessary, to prepare as soon as practicable an amendment to this Agreement and, if required by law, the General Partner shall prepare and file an amendment to the Certificate of Limited Partnership.

# ARTICLE XI WITHDRAWAL OR REMOVAL OF PARTNERS

Section 11.1 Withdrawal of the General Partner.

(a) The General Partner shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the Partnership upon the occurrence of any one of the following events (each such event herein referred to as an *"Event of Withdrawal"*):

(i) The General Partner voluntarily withdraws from the Partnership by giving written notice to the other Partners;

(ii) The General Partner transfers all of its rights as General Partner pursuant to Section 4.6;

(iii) The General Partner is removed pursuant to <u>Section 11.2</u>;

(iv) The General Partner (A) makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors; (B) files a voluntary bankruptcy petition for relief under Chapter 7 of the United States Bankruptcy Code; (C) files a petition or answer seeking for itself a liquidation, dissolution or similar relief (but not a reorganization) under any law; (D) files an answer or other pleading admitting or failing to contest the material allegations of a petition filed against the General Partner in a proceeding of the type described in clauses (A) through (C) of this <u>Section 11.1(a)(iv)</u>; or (E) seeks, consents to or acquiesces in the appointment of a trustee (but not a debtor-in-possession), receiver or liquidator of the General Partner or of all or any substantial part of its properties;

(v) A final and non-appealable order of relief under Chapter 7 of the United States Bankruptcy Code is entered by a court with appropriate jurisdiction pursuant to a voluntary petition by or against the General Partner; or

(vi) (A) in the event the General Partner is a corporation, a certificate of dissolution or its equivalent is filed for the General Partner, or 90 days expire after the date of notice to the General Partner of revocation of its charter without a reinstatement of its charter, under the laws of its state of incorporation; (B) in the event the General Partner is a limited liability company or a partnership, the dissolution and commencement of winding up of the General Partner; (C) in the event the General Partner is acting in such capacity by virtue of being a trustee of a trust, the termination of the trust; (D) in the event the General Partner is a natural person, his death or adjudication of incompetency; and (E) otherwise in the event of the termination of the General Partner.

If an Event of Withdrawal specified in <u>Sections 11.1(a)(iv)</u>, <u>11.1(a)(v)</u>, <u>11.1(a)(vi)(A)</u>, <u>11.1(a)(vi)(B)</u>, <u>11.1(a)(vi)(C)</u> or <u>11.1(a)(vi)(E)</u> occurs, the withdrawing General Partner shall give notice to the Partners within 30 days after such occurrence. The Partners hereby agree that only the Events of Withdrawal described in this <u>Section 11.1</u> shall result in the withdrawal of the General Partner from the Partnership.

(b) Withdrawal of the General Partner from the Partnership upon the occurrence of an Event of Withdrawal shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement under the following circumstances: (i) at any time during the period beginning on June 23, 2014 and ending at 11:59 pm, prevailing Central Time, on June 30, 2024, the General Partner voluntarily withdraws by giving at least 90 days' advance notice of its intention to withdraw to the Partners; provided, that prior to the effective date of such withdrawal, the withdrawal is approved by Unitholders holding a majority of the Outstanding Units (excluding Units held by the General Partner and its Affiliates, if any) and the General Partner delivers to the Partnership an Opinion of Counsel (*"Withdrawal Opinion of Counsel"*) that such withdrawal (following the selection of the successor General Partner) would not result in the loss of the limited liability of any Limited Partner under

the Delaware Act; (ii) at any time after 11:59 pm, prevailing Central Time, on June 30, 2024, the General Partner voluntarily withdraws by giving at least 90 days' advance notice to the Partners, such withdrawal to take effect on the date specified in such notice; (iii) at any time that the General Partner ceases to be the General Partner pursuant to <u>Section 11.1(a)(ii)</u> or is removed pursuant to <u>Section 11.2</u>; or (iv) notwithstanding clause (i) of this sentence, at any time that the General Partner voluntarily withdraws by giving at least 90 days' advance notice of its intention to withdraw to the other Partners, such withdrawal to take effect on the date specified in the notice, if at the time such notice is given one Person and its Affiliates (other than the General Partner and its Affiliates) own beneficially or of record or control at least 50% of the Outstanding Units. The withdrawal of the General Partner from the Partnership upon the occurrence of an Event of Withdrawal shall also constitute the withdrawal of the General Partner as general partner or managing member, if any, to the extent applicable, of the other Group Members. If the General Partner gives notice of withdrawal pursuant to <u>Section 11.1(a)(ii)</u>, the holders of a Unit Majority may, prior to the effective date of such withdrawal, elect a successor General Partner. The Person so elected as successor General Partner shall automatically become the successor general partner or managing member, to the extent applicable, of the other Group Members of which the General Partner is a general partner or a managing member. If, prior to the effective date of the General Partner's withdrawal, a successor is not selected by the Partners as provided herein or the Partnership does not receive a Withdrawal Opinion of Counsel, the Partnership shall be dissolved in accordance with <u>Section 12.1</u> unless the business of the Partnership is continued pursuant to <u>Section 12.2</u>. Any successor General Partner elected in accordance with the terms of this <u>Section</u>

Section 11.2 *Removal of the General Partner*. The General Partner may be removed if such removal is approved by the Partners holding at least 66 2/3% of the Outstanding Units (including Units held by the General Partner and its Affiliates) voting as a single class. Any such action by such holders for removal of the General Partner must also provide for the election of a successor General Partner by the holders of a Unit Majority. Such removal shall be effective immediately following the admission of a successor General Partner pursuant to <u>Section 10.2</u>. The removal of the General Partner shall also automatically constitute the removal of the General Partner or a managing member. If a Person is elected as a successor General Partner in accordance with the terms of this <u>Section 11.2</u>, such Person shall, upon admission pursuant to <u>Section 10.2</u>, automatically become a successor general partner or managing member, to the extent applicable, of the other Group Members of which the General Partner applicable, of the other Group Members of which the terms of the Section 11.2, such Person shall, upon admission pursuant to <u>Section 10.2</u>, automatically become a successor general partner or managing member. The right of the Partners to remove the General Partner shall not exist or be exercised unless the Partnership has received an opinion opining as to the matters covered by a Withdrawal Opinion of Counsel. Any successor General Partner elected in accordance with the terms of this <u>Section 11.2</u>.

#### Section 11.3 Interest of Departing General Partner and Successor General Partner.

(a) In the event of (i) withdrawal of the General Partner under circumstances where such withdrawal does not violate this Agreement or (ii) removal of the General Partner by the Partners under circumstances where Cause does not exist, if the successor General Partner is elected in accordance with the terms of <u>Section 11.1</u> or <u>Section 11.2</u>, the Departing General Partner

shall have the option, exercisable prior to the effective date of the withdrawal or removal of such Departing General Partner, to require its successor to purchase its General Partner Interest and its or its Affiliates' general partner interest (or equivalent interest), if any, in the other Group Members (collectively, the "*Combined Interest*") in exchange for an amount in cash equal to the fair market value of such Combined Interest, such amount to be determined and payable as of the effective date of its withdrawal or removal. If the General Partner is removed by the Partners under circumstances where Cause exists or if the General Partner withdraws under circumstances where such withdrawal violates this Agreement, and if a successor General Partner is elected in accordance with the terms of <u>Section 11.1</u> or <u>Section 11.2</u> (or if the business of the Partnership is continued pursuant to <u>Section 12.2</u> and the successor General Partner is not the former General Partner), such successor shall have the option, exercisable prior to the effective date of the departure of such Departing General Partner (or, in the event the business of the Partnership is continued, prior to the date the business of the Partnership is continued), to purchase the Combined Interest for such fair market value of such Combined Interest. In either event, the Departing General Partner shall be entitled to receive all reimbursements due such Departing General Partner pursuant to <u>Section 7.5</u>, including any employee-related liabilities (including severance liabilities), incurred in connection with the termination of any employees employed by the Departing General Partner or its Affiliates (other than any Group Member) for the benefit of the Partnership or the other Group Members.

For purposes of this <u>Section 11.3(a)</u>, the fair market value of the Combined Interest shall be determined by agreement between the Departing General Partner and its successor or, failing agreement within 30 days after the effective date of such Departing General Partner's withdrawal or removal, by an independent investment banking firm or other independent expert selected by the Departing General Partner and its successor, which, in turn, may rely on other experts, and the determination of which shall be conclusive as to such matter. If such parties cannot agree upon one independent investment banking firm or other independent expert within 45 days after the effective date of such withdrawal or removal, then the Departing General Partner's successor shall designate an independent investment banking firm or other independent expert, and such firms or experts shall mutually select a third independent investment banking firm or other independent expert, and such firms or experts shall mutually select a third independent investment banking firm or other independent investment banking firm or other independent expert which third independent investment banking firm or other independent investment banking firm or other independent investment banking firm or other independent expert, which third independent investment banking firm or other independent expert may consider the then current trading price of Units on any National Securities Exchange on which Units are then listed or admitted to trading, the value of the Partnership's assets, the rights and obligations of the Departing General Partner and other factors it may deem relevant.

(b) If the Combined Interest is not purchased in the manner set forth in <u>Section 11.3(a)</u>, the Departing General Partner (or its transferee) shall become a Limited Partner and the Combined Interest shall be converted into Common Units pursuant to a valuation made by an investment banking firm or other independent expert selected pursuant to <u>Section 11.3(a)</u>, without reduction in such Partnership Interest (but subject to proportionate dilution by reason of the admission of its successor). Any successor General Partner shall indemnify the Departing General Partner (or its transferee) as to all debts and liabilities of the Partnership arising on or after the date on which the Departing General Partner (or its transferee) becomes a Limited Partner. For purposes of this Agreement, conversion of the Combined Interest to Common Units will be characterized as if the Departing General Partner (or its Affiliates) contributed the Combined Interest to the Partnership in exchange for the newly issued Common Units.

Section 11.4 *Withdrawal of Limited Partners*. No Limited Partner shall have any right to withdraw from the Partnership; *provided, however*, that when a transferee of a Limited Partner's Partnership Interest becomes a Record Holder of the Partnership Interest so transferred, such transferring Limited Partner shall cease to be a Limited Partner with respect to the Partnership Interest so transferred.

# ARTICLE XII DISSOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION

Section 12.1 *Dissolution*. The Partnership shall not be dissolved by the admission of additional Partners or by the admission of a successor General Partner in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Upon the removal or withdrawal of the General Partner, if a successor General Partner is elected pursuant to <u>Section 11.1</u>, <u>Section 11.2</u> or <u>Section 12.2</u>, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Partnership shall not be dissolved and such successor General Partner shall continue the business of the Partnership. The Partnership shall dissolve, and (subject to <u>Section 12.2</u>) its affairs shall be wound up, upon:

(a) an Event of Withdrawal of the General Partner as provided in <u>Section 11.1(a)</u> (other than <u>Section 11.1(a)(ii)</u>), unless a successor is elected and such successor is admitted to the Partnership pursuant to <u>Section 10.2</u>;

- (b) an election to dissolve the Partnership by the General Partner that is approved by the holders of a Unit Majority;
- (c) the entry of a decree of judicial dissolution of the Partnership pursuant to the provisions of the Delaware Act; or
- (d) at any time there are no Limited Partners, unless the Partnership is continued without dissolution in accordance with the Delaware Act.

### Section 12.2 Continuation of the Business of the Partnership After Dissolution. Upon

(a) an Event of Withdrawal caused by the withdrawal or removal of the General Partner as provided in Section 11.1(a)(i) or Section 11.1(a)(iii) and the failure of the Partners to select a successor to such Departing General Partner pursuant to Section 11.1 or Section 11.2, then within 90 days thereafter, or

(b) an event constituting an Event of Withdrawal as defined in Section 11.1(a)(iv), 11.1(a)(v) or 11.1(a)(iv), then, to the maximum extent permitted by law, within 180 days thereafter, a Unit Majority may elect to continue the business of the Partnership on the same terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement by appointing as the successor General Partner a Person approved by a Unit Majority. Unless such an election is made within the applicable time period as set forth above, the Partnership shall conduct only activities necessary to wind up its affairs. If such an election is so made, then:

(i) the Partnership shall continue without dissolution unless earlier dissolved in accordance with this Article XII;

(ii) if the successor General Partner is not the former General Partner, then the interest of the former General Partner shall be treated in the manner provided in <u>Section 11.3</u>; and

(iii) the successor General Partner shall be admitted to the Partnership as General Partner, effective as of the Event of Withdrawal, by agreeing in writing to be bound by this Agreement;

provided, that the right of a Unit Majority to approve a successor General Partner and to continue the business of the Partnership shall not exist and may not be exercised unless the Partnership has received an Opinion of Counsel that the exercise of the right would not result in the loss of the limited liability of any Limited Partner under the Delaware Act.

Section 12.3 *Liquidator*. Upon dissolution of the Partnership, unless the business of the Partnership is continued pursuant to <u>Section 12.2</u>, the General Partner shall select one or more Persons to act as Liquidator. The Liquidator (if other than the General Partner) shall be entitled to receive such compensation for its services as may be approved by holders of a Unit Majority. The Liquidator (if other than the General Partner) shall agree not to resign at any time without 15 days' prior notice and may be removed at any time, with or without cause, by notice of removal approved by holders of a Unit Majority. Upon dissolution, removal or resignation of the Liquidator, a successor and substitute Liquidator (who shall have and succeed to all rights, powers and duties of the original Liquidator) shall within 30 days thereafter be approved by a Unit Majority. The right to approve a successor or substitute Liquidator in the manner provided herein shall be deemed to refer also to any such successor or substitute Liquidator approved in this <u>Article XII</u>, the Liquidator approved in the manner provided herein shall have and may exercise, without further authorization or consent of any of the parties hereto, all of the powers conferred upon the General Partner under the terms of this Agreement (but subject to all of the applicable limitations, contractual and otherwise, upon the exercise of such powers, other than the limitation on sale set forth in <u>Section 7.4</u>) necessary or appropriate to carry out the duties and functions of the Liquidator hereunder for and during the period of time required to complete the winding up and liquidation of the Partnership as provided for herein.

Section 12.4 *Liquidation*. The Liquidator shall proceed to dispose of the assets of the Partnership, discharge its liabilities, and otherwise wind up its affairs in such manner and over such period as determined by the Liquidator, subject to Section 17-804 of the Delaware Act and the following:

(a) The assets may be disposed of by public or private sale or by distribution in kind to one or more Partners on such terms as the Liquidator and such Partner or Partners may agree. If any property is distributed in kind, the Partner receiving the property shall be deemed for purposes of <u>Section 12.4(c)</u> to have received cash equal to its fair market value; and contemporaneously therewith, appropriate cash distributions must be made to the other Partners. The Liquidator may defer liquidation or distribution of the Partnership's assets for a reasonable time if it determines that an immediate sale or distribution of all or some of the Partnership's assets

would be impractical or would cause undue loss to the Partners. The Liquidator may distribute the Partnership's assets, in whole or in part, in kind if it determines that a sale would be impractical or would cause undue loss to the Partners.

(b) Liabilities of the Partnership include amounts owed to the Liquidator as compensation for serving in such capacity (subject to the terms of <u>Section 12.3</u>) and amounts to Partners otherwise than in respect of their distribution rights under <u>Article VI</u>. With respect to any liability that is contingent, conditional or unmatured or is otherwise not yet due and payable, the Liquidator shall either settle such claim for such amount as it thinks appropriate or establish a reserve of cash or other assets to provide for its payment. When paid, any unused portion of the reserve shall be distributed as additional liquidation proceeds.

(c) All property and all cash in excess of that required to satisfy or discharge liabilities as provided in <u>Section 12.4(b)</u> shall (i) first be distributed to the Record Holders of Class B Units and the Record Holder of the General Partner Interest pro rata between the Class B Units, on the one hand, and the GP Interest, on the other hand, based on the ratio of (A) the product of the number of outstanding Class B Units multiplied by the Class B Capital Contribution Per Unit Amount to (B) the GP Capital Contribution Amount, until the Record Holders of all outstanding Class B Units have received the Class B Capital Contribution Per Unit Amount in respect of each such Class B Unit and the Record Holder of the General Partner Interest has received an amount equal to the GP Capital Contribution Amount, and then (ii) be distributed to the Partners in accordance with the priorities for distributions set forth in <u>Section 6.1(c)</u> (except that no further distributions shall be made in respect of any Class B Units or in respect of the General Partner Interest) and such distribution shall be made by the end of such taxable period (or, if later, within 90 days after said date of such occurrence).

Section 12.5 *Cancellation of Certificate of Limited Partnership.* Upon the completion of the distribution of Partnership cash and property as provided in <u>Section 12.4</u> in connection with the liquidation of the Partnership, the Certificate of Limited Partnership and all qualifications of the Partnership as a foreign limited partnership in jurisdictions other than the State of Delaware shall be canceled and such other actions as may be necessary to terminate the Partnership shall be taken.

Section 12.6 *Return of Contributions.* The General Partner shall not be personally liable for, and shall have no obligation to contribute or loan any monies or property to the Partnership to enable it to effectuate, the return of the Capital Contributions of the Partners or Unitholders, or any portion thereof, it being expressly understood that any such return shall be made solely from Partnership assets.

Section 12.7 *Waiver of Partition*. To the maximum extent permitted by law, each Partner hereby waives any right to partition of the Partnership property.

# ARTICLE XIII AMENDMENT OF PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT; MEETINGS; RECORD DATE

Section 13.1 *Amendments to be Adopted Solely by the General Partner*. Each Partner agrees that the General Partner, without the approval of any other Partner, may amend any

provision of this Agreement and execute, swear to, acknowledge, deliver, file and record whatever documents may be required in connection therewith, to reflect:

(a) a change in the name of the Partnership, the location of the principal place of business of the Partnership, the registered agent of the Partnership or the registered office of the Partnership;

(b) admission, substitution, withdrawal or removal of Partners in accordance with this Agreement;

(c) a change that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate to qualify or continue the qualification of the Partnership as a limited partnership or a partnership in which the Limited Partners have limited liability under the laws of any state;

(d) a change that the General Partner determines (i) does not adversely affect the Limited Partners (including any particular class of Partnership Interests as compared to other classes of Partnership Interests) in any material respect, (ii) to be necessary or appropriate to (A) satisfy any requirements, conditions or guidelines contained in any opinion, directive, order, ruling or regulation of any federal or state agency or judicial authority or contained in any federal or state statute (including the Delaware Act) or (B) facilitate the trading of the Units (including the division of any class or classes of Outstanding Units into different classes to facilitate uniformity of tax consequences within such classes of Units) or comply with any rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of any National Securities Exchange on which any class of Partnership Interests are or will be listed or admitted to trading, (iii) to be necessary or appropriate in connection with action taken by the General Partner pursuant to <u>Section 5.7</u> or (iv) is required to effect the intent expressed in the IPO Registration Statement or the intent of the provisions of this Agreement or is otherwise contemplated by this Agreement;

(e) a change in the fiscal year or taxable period of the Partnership and any other changes that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate as a result of a change in the fiscal year or taxable period of the Partnership including, if the General Partner shall so determine, a change in the definition of "Quarter" and the dates on which distributions are to be made by the Partnership;

(f) an amendment that is necessary, in the Opinion of Counsel, to prevent the Partnership, or the General Partner or Energen (or its Affiliate) or their respective directors, officers, trustees or agents from in any manner being subjected to the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended, or "plan asset" regulations adopted under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, regardless of whether such are substantially similar to plan asset regulations currently applied or proposed by the United States Department of Labor;

(g) an amendment that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate in connection with the creation, authorization or issuance of any class or series of Partnership Interests or any Derivative Instruments pursuant to <u>Section 5.5</u>;

(h) any amendment expressly permitted in this Agreement to be made by the General Partner acting alone;

# (i) an amendment effected, necessitated or contemplated by a Merger Agreement approved in accordance with Section 14.3;

(j) an amendment that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate to reflect and account for the formation by the Partnership of, or investment by the Partnership in, any corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other entity, in connection with the conduct by the Partnership of activities permitted by the terms of <u>Section 2.4</u> or <u>Section 7.1(a)</u>;

- (k) a merger or conveyance pursuant to <u>Section 14.3(d)</u> or <u>Section 14.3(e)</u>; or
- (l) any other amendments substantially similar to the foregoing.

Section 13.2 *Amendment Procedures.* Amendments to this Agreement may be proposed only by the General Partner. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the General Partner shall have no duty or obligation to propose or approve any amendment to this Agreement and may decline to do so in its sole discretion. An amendment shall be effective upon its approval by the General Partner and, except as otherwise provided by <u>Section 13.1</u> or <u>Section 13.3</u>, a Unit Majority, unless a greater or different percentage is required under this Agreement or by Delaware law. Each proposed amendment that requires the approval of the holders of a specified percentage of Outstanding Units shall be set forth in a writing that contains the text of the proposed amendment. If such an amendment is proposed, the General Partner shall seek the written approval of the requisite percentage of Outstanding Units or call a meeting of the Unitholders to consider and vote on such proposed amendment. The General Partner shall notify all Record Holders upon final adoption of any amendments. The General Partner shall be deemed to have notified all Record Holders as required by this <u>Section 13.2</u> if it has either (a) filed such amendment with the Commission via its Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval system and such amendment is publicly available on any publicly available website maintained by the Partnership.

#### Section 13.3 Amendment Requirements.

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of <u>Section 13.1</u> (other than <u>Section 13.1(d)(iv)</u>) and <u>Section 13.2</u>, no provision of this Agreement (other than <u>Section 11.2</u> or <u>Section 13.4</u>) that establishes a percentage of Outstanding Units (including Units deemed owned by the General Partner) or requires a vote or approval of Partners (or a subset of Partners) holding a specified Percentage Interest to take any action shall be amended, altered, changed, repealed or rescinded in any respect that would have the effect of reducing or increasing such percentage, unless such amendment is approved by the written consent or the affirmative vote of holders of Outstanding Units whose aggregate Outstanding Units constitute not less than the voting requirement sought to be reduced or increased, as applicable, or the affirmative vote of Partners whose aggregate Percentage Interests constitute not less than the voting requirement sought to be reduced or increased, as applicable.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of <u>Section 13.1</u> (other than <u>Section 13.1(d)(iv)</u>) and <u>Section 13.2</u>, no amendment to this Agreement may (i) enlarge the obligations of (including requiring any holder of a class of Partnership Interests to make additional

Capital Contributions to the Partnership) any Limited Partner without its consent, unless such shall be deemed to have occurred as a result of an amendment approved pursuant to <u>Section 13.3(c)</u>, or (ii) enlarge the obligations of, restrict, change or modify in any way any action by or rights of, or reduce in any way the amounts distributable, reimbursable or otherwise payable to, the General Partner or any of its Affiliates without its consent, which consent may be given or withheld at its option.

(c) Except as provided in Section 14.3 or Section 13.1, any amendment that would have a material adverse effect on the rights or preferences of any class of Partnership Interests in relation to other classes of Partnership Interests must be approved by the holders of not less than a majority of the Outstanding Partnership Interests of the class affected. If the General Partner determines an amendment does not satisfy the requirements of Section 13.1(d)(i) because it adversely affects one or more classes of Partnership Interests, as compared to other classes of Partnership Interests, in any material respect, such amendment shall only be required to be approved by the adversely affected class or classes.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, except for amendments pursuant to <u>Section 13.1</u> and except as otherwise provided by <u>Section 14.3(b)</u>, no amendments shall become effective without the approval of the holders of at least 90% of the Percentage Interests of all Limited Partners voting as a single class unless the Partnership obtains an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that such amendment will not affect the limited liability of any Limited Partner under applicable partnership law of the state under whose laws the Partnership is organized.

(e) Except as provided in <u>Section 13.1</u>, this <u>Section 13.3</u> shall only be amended with the approval of Partners (including the General Partner and its Affiliates) holding at least 90% of the Percentage Interests of all Limited Partners.

Section 13.4 *Special Meetings*. All acts of Limited Partners to be taken pursuant to this Agreement shall be taken in the manner provided in this <u>Article XIII</u>. Special meetings of the Limited Partners may be called by the General Partner or by Limited Partners owning 20% or more of the Outstanding Units of the class or classes for which a meeting is proposed. Limited Partners shall call a special meeting by delivering to the General Partner one or more requests in writing stating that the signing Limited Partners wish to call a special meeting and indicating the specific purposes for which the special meeting is to be called and the class or classes of Units for which the meeting is proposed. No business may be brought by any Limited Partner before such special meeting except the business listed in the related request. Within 60 days after receipt of such a call from Limited Partners or within such greater time as may be reasonably necessary for the Partnership to comply with any statutes, rules, regulations, listing agreements or similar requirements governing the holding of a meeting or the solicitation of proxies for use at such a meeting shall be held at a time and place determined by the General Partner on a date not less than 10 days nor more than 60 days after the time notice of the meeting is given as provided in <u>Section 16.1</u>. Limited Partners shall not vote on matters that would cause the Limited Partners to be deemed to be taking part in the management and control of the business and affairs of the Partnership so as to jeopardize the Limited Partners' limited liability under the Delaware Act or the law of any other state in which the Partnership is qualified to do business.

Section 13.5 *Notice of a Meeting.* Notice of a meeting called pursuant to <u>Section 13.4</u> shall be given to the Record Holders of the class or classes of Units for which a meeting is proposed in writing by mail or other means of written communication in accordance with <u>Section 16.1</u>. The notice shall be deemed to have been given at the time when deposited in the mail or sent by other means of written communication.

Section 13.6 *Record Date.* For purposes of determining the Limited Partners entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of the Limited Partners or to give approvals without a meeting as provided in <u>Section 13.11</u> the General Partner may set a Record Date, which shall not be less than 10 nor more than 60 days before (a) the date of the meeting (unless such requirement conflicts with any rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of any National Securities Exchange on which the Units are listed or admitted to trading or U.S. federal securities laws, in which case the rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of such National Securities Exchange or U.S. federal securities laws shall govern) or (b) in the event that approvals are sought without a meeting, the date by which Limited Partners are requested in writing by the General Partner to give such approvals. If the General Partner does not set a Record Date, then (a) the Record Date for determining the Limited Partners entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of the Limited Partners shall be the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which notice is given, and (b) the Record Date for determining the Limited Partners entitled to give approvals without a meeting shall be the date the first written approval is deposited with the Partnership in care of the General Partner in accordance with <u>Section 13.11</u>.

Section 13.7 *Adjournment*. Prior to the date upon which any meeting of Limited Partners is to be held, the General Partner may postpone such meeting one or more times for any reason by giving notice to each Limited Partner entitled to vote at the meeting so postponed of the place, date and hour at which such meeting would be held. Such notice shall be given not fewer than two days before the date of such meeting and otherwise in accordance with this <u>Article XIII</u>. When a meeting is postponed, a new Record Date need not be fixed unless such postponement shall be for more than 45 days. Any meeting of Limited Partners may be adjourned by the General Partner one or more times for any reason, including the failure of a quorum to be present at the meeting with respect to any proposal or the failure of any proposal to receive sufficient votes for approval. No Limited Partner vote shall be required for any adjournment. A meeting of Limited Partners may be adjourned by the General Partner as to one or more proposals regardless of whether action has been taken on other matters. When a meeting is adjourned to another time or place, notice need not be given of the adjourned meeting and a new Record Date need not be fixed, if the time and place thereof are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, unless such adjournment shall be for more than 45 days. At the adjourned meeting, the Partnership may transact any business which might have been transacted at the original meeting. If the adjournment is for more than 45 days or if a new Record Date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, a notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given in accordance with this <u>Article XIII</u>.

Section 13.8 *Waiver of Notice; Approval of Meeting; Approval of Minutes.* The transaction of business at any meeting of Limited Partners, however called and noticed, and whenever held, shall be as valid as if it had occurred at a meeting duly held after regular call and

notice, if a quorum is present either in person or by proxy. Attendance of a Limited Partner at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of the meeting, except when the Limited Partner attends the meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened; and except that attendance at a meeting is not a waiver of any right to disapprove the consideration of matters required to be included in the notice of the meeting, but not so included, if the disapproval is expressly made at the meeting.

Section 13.9 *Quorum and Voting.* The holders of a majority, by Percentage Interest, of Partnership Interests of the class or classes for which a meeting has been called (including Partnership Interests deemed owned by the General Partner) represented in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of Partners of such class or classes unless any such action by the Partners requires approval by holders of a greater Percentage Interest, in which case the quorum shall be such greater Percentage Interest. At any meeting of the Partners duly called and held in accordance with this Agreement at which a quorum is present, the act of holders of Partnership Interests that, in the aggregate, represent a majority of the Percentage Interest of those present in person or by proxy at such meeting shall be deemed to constitute the act of all Partners, unless a greater or different percentage is required with respect to such action under the provisions of this Agreement, in which case the act of the holders of Partnership Interests that in the aggregate represent at least such greater or different percentage shall be required; *provided, however*, that if, as a matter of law or provision of this Agreement, approval by plurality vote of Partners (or any class thereof) is required to approve any action, no minimum quorum shall be required. The Partners present at a duly called or held meeting at which a quorum is present may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough Partners to leave less than a quorum, if any action taken (other than adjournment) is approved by holders of the required Percentage Interest specified in this Agreement.

Section 13.10 *Conduct of a Meeting.* The General Partner shall have full power and authority concerning the manner of conducting any meeting of the Limited Partners or solicitation of approvals in writing, including the determination of Persons entitled to vote, the existence of a quorum, the satisfaction of the requirements of <u>Section 13.4</u>, the conduct of voting, the validity and effect of any proxies and the determination of any controversies, votes or challenges arising in connection with or during the meeting or voting. The General Partner shall designate a Person to serve as chairman of any meeting and shall further designate a Person to take the minutes of any meeting. All minutes shall be kept with the records of the Partnership maintained by the General Partner. The General Partner may make such other regulations consistent with applicable law and this Agreement as it may deem advisable concerning the conduct of any meeting of the Limited Partners or solicitation of approvals in writing, including regulations in regard to the appointment of proxies, the appointment and duties of inspectors of votes and approvals, the submission and examination of proxies and other evidence of the right to vote, and the revocation of approvals in writing.

Section 13.11 *Action Without a Meeting.* If authorized by the General Partner, any action that may be taken at a meeting of the Limited Partners may be taken without a meeting, without a vote and without prior notice, if an approval in writing setting forth the action so taken is signed by Limited Partners owning not less than the minimum percentage, by Percentage Interest, of the Partnership Interests of the class or classes for which a meeting has been called (including

Partnership Interests deemed owned by the General Partner), as the case may be, that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all the Limited Partners entitled to vote at such meeting were present and voted (unless such provision conflicts with any rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of any National Securities Exchange on which the Units are listed or admitted to trading, in which case the rule, regulation, guideline or requirement of such National Securities Exchange shall govern). Prompt notice of the taking of action without a meeting shall be given to the Limited Partners who have not approved in writing. The General Partner may specify that any written ballot submitted to Limited Partners for the purpose of taking any action without a meeting shall be returned to the Partnership within the time period, which shall be not less than 20 days, specified by the General Partner. If a ballot returned to the Partnership of the Units held by the Limited Partners, the Partnership shall be deemed to have failed to receive a ballot for the Units that were not voted. If approval of the taking of any action by the Limited Partners is solicited by any Person other than by or on behalf of the General Partner, the written approvals shall have no force and effect unless and until (a) they are deposited with the Partnership in care of the General Partner and (b) an Opinion of Counsel is delivered to the General Partners to be deemed to be deamed to reguine the dation proposed to be taken with respect to any particular matter (i) will not cause the Limited Partners' limited liability, and (ii) is otherwise permissible under the state statutes then governing the rights, duties and liabilities of the Partnership and the Partners. Nothing contained in this <u>Section 13.11</u> shall be deemed to require the General Partner to solicit all Limited Partners in connection with a matter approved by the holders of the requisite percentage of Units acting by written consent without a meeting.

#### Section 13.12 Right to Vote and Related Matters.

(a) Only those Record Holders of the Outstanding Units on the Record Date set pursuant to <u>Section 13.6</u> shall be entitled to notice of, and to vote at, a meeting of Limited Partners or to act with respect to matters as to which the holders of the Outstanding Units have the right to vote or to act. All references in this Agreement to votes of, or other acts that may be taken by, the Outstanding Units shall be deemed to be references to the votes or acts of the Record Holders of such Outstanding Units.

(b) With respect to Units that are held for a Person's account by another Person (such as a broker, dealer, bank, trust company or clearing corporation, or an agent of any of the foregoing), in whose name such Units are registered, such other Person shall, in exercising the voting rights in respect of such Units on any matter, and unless the arrangement between such Persons provides otherwise, vote such Units in favor of, and at the direction of, the Person who is the beneficial owner, and the Partnership shall be entitled to assume it is so acting without further inquiry. The provisions of this <u>Section 13.12(b)</u> (as well as all other provisions of this Agreement) are subject to the provisions of <u>Section 4.3</u>.

Section 13.13 *Class B Units*. For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each holder of Class B Units shall be entitled to receive notice of, be included in any requisite quora for, and participate in any and all approvals, votes or other actions of the Partners on a Pro Rata basis as, and treating such Persons for all purposes as if they are, Unitholders holding Common Units, including any and all notices, quora, approvals, votes and other actions

that may be taken pursuant to the requirements of the Delaware Act or any other applicable law, rule or regulation, except as otherwise explicitly provided herein. The affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of the voting power of all Class B Units voting separately as a class shall be required to alter, amend or repeal this <u>Section 13.13</u> or to adopt any provision of this Agreement inconsistent with this <u>Section 13.13</u>.

# ARTICLE XIV MERGER

Section 14.1 *Authority*. The Partnership may merge or consolidate with or into one or more corporations, limited liability companies, business trusts or associations, real estate investment trusts, common law trusts or unincorporated businesses, including a general partnership or limited partnership, formed under the laws of the State of Delaware or any other state of the United States of America, pursuant to a written agreement of merger or consolidation ("*Merger Agreement*") in accordance with this <u>Article XIV</u>.

#### Section 14.2 Procedure for Merger or Consolidation.

(a) Merger or consolidation of the Partnership pursuant to this <u>Article XIV</u> requires the prior consent of the General Partner, *provided*, *however*, that, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the General Partner, in declining to consent to a merger or consolidation, may act in its sole discretion.

(b) If the General Partner shall determine to consent to the merger or consolidation, the General Partner shall approve the Merger Agreement, which shall set forth:

(i) the name and jurisdiction of formation or organization of each of the business entities proposing to merge or consolidate;

(ii) the name and jurisdiction of formation or organization of the business entity that is to survive the proposed merger or consolidation (the "*Surviving Business Entity*");

(iii) the terms and conditions of the proposed merger or consolidation;

(iv) the manner and basis of exchanging or converting the equity interests of each constituent business entity for, or into, cash, property or interests, rights, securities or obligations of the Surviving Business Entity; and (i) if any general or limited partner interests, securities or rights of any constituent business entity are not to be exchanged or converted solely for, or into, cash, property or general or limited partner interests, rights, securities or obligations of the Surviving Business Entity, the cash, property or general or limited partner interests, rights, securities or obligations of the Surviving Business Entity, the cash, property or general or limited partner interests, rights, securities or obligations of any limited partnership, corporation, trust or other entity (other than the Surviving Business Entity) which the holders of such general or limited partner interests, securities or rights, and (ii) in the case of equity interests represented by certificates, upon the surrender of such certificates, which cash, property or general or limited partner interests, rights, securities or obligations of the Surviving Business Entity or any general or limited partnership, corporation, trust or other entity (other than the Surviving Business Entity), or evidences thereof, are to be delivered;

(v) a statement of any changes in the constituent documents or the adoption of new constituent documents (the articles or certificate of incorporation, articles of trust, declaration of trust, certificate or agreement of limited partnership or other similar charter or governing document) of the Surviving Business Entity to be effected by such merger or consolidation;

(vi) the effective time of the merger, which may be the date of the filing of the certificate of merger pursuant to <u>Section 14.4</u> or a later date specified in or determinable in accordance with the Merger Agreement (provided, that if the effective time of the merger is to be later than the date of the filing of the certificate of merger, the effective time shall be fixed no later than the time of the filing of the certificate of merger and stated therein); and

(vii) such other provisions with respect to the proposed merger or consolidation that the General Partner determines to be necessary or appropriate.

#### Section 14.3 Approval by Partners of Merger or Consolidation.

(a) Except as provided in <u>Section 14.3(d)</u> and <u>Section 14.3(e)</u>, the General Partner, upon its approval of the Merger Agreement, shall direct that the Merger Agreement be submitted to a vote of Partners, whether at a special meeting or by written consent, in either case in accordance with the requirements of <u>Article XIII</u>. A copy or a summary of the Merger Agreement shall be included in or enclosed with the notice of a special meeting or the written consent.

(b) Except as provided in <u>Section 14.3(d)</u> and <u>Section 14.3(e)</u>, the Merger Agreement shall be approved upon receiving the affirmative vote or consent of the holders of a Unit Majority unless the Merger Agreement contains any provision that, if contained in an amendment to this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement or the Delaware Act would require for its approval the vote or consent of a greater percentage of the Outstanding Units or of any class of Limited Partners, in which case such greater percentage vote or consent shall be required for approval of the Merger Agreement.

(c) Except as provided in <u>Section 14.3(d)</u> and <u>Section 14.3(e)</u>, after such approval by vote or consent of the Limited Partners, and at any time prior to the filing of the certificate of merger pursuant to <u>Section 14.4</u>, the merger or consolidation may be abandoned pursuant to provisions therefor, if any, set forth in the Merger Agreement.

(d) Notwithstanding anything else contained in this <u>Article XIV</u> or in this Agreement, the General Partner is permitted, without Limited Partner approval, to convert the Partnership or any Group Member into a new limited liability entity, to merge the Partnership or any Group Member into, or convey all of the Partnership's assets to, another limited liability entity that shall be newly formed and shall have no assets, liabilities or operations at the time of such merger or conveyance other than those it receives from the Partnership or other Group Member if (i) the General Partner has received an Opinion of Counsel that the merger or conveyance, as the case may be, would not result in the loss of the limited liability of any Limited Partner or any

Group Member under the Delaware Act or cause the Partnership to lose, revoke or change its election to be classified as a corporation for U.S. federal tax purposes, (ii) the sole purpose of such merger or conveyance is to effect a mere change in the legal form of the Partnership into another limited liability entity and (iii) the General Partner determines that the governing instruments of the new entity provide the Limited Partners and the General Partner with substantially the same rights and obligations as are herein contained.

(e) Additionally, notwithstanding anything else contained in this <u>Article XIV</u> or in this Agreement, the General Partner is permitted, without Limited Partner approval, to merge or consolidate the Partnership with or into another entity if (A) the General Partner has received an Opinion of Counsel that the merger or consolidation, as the case may be, would not result in the loss of the limited liability under the Delaware Act of any Limited Partner, (B) the merger or consolidation would not result in an amendment to this Agreement, other than any amendments that could be adopted pursuant to <u>Section 13.1</u>, (C) the Partnership is the Surviving Business Entity in such merger or consolidation, (D) each Partnership Interest outstanding immediately prior to the effective date of the merger or consolidation is to be an identical Partnership Interest of the Partnership after the effective date of the merger or consolidation does not exceed 20% of the Partnership Interests Outstanding immediately prior to the effective date of such merger or consolidation.

Section 14.4 *Certificate of Merger*. Upon the required approval by the General Partner and the Unitholders of a Merger Agreement, a certificate of merger shall be executed and filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware in conformity with the requirements of the Delaware Act.

Section 14.5 *Amendment of Partnership Agreement.* Pursuant to Section 17-211(g) of the Delaware Act, an agreement of merger or consolidation approved in accordance with this <u>Article XIV</u> may (a) effect any amendment to this Agreement or (b) effect the adoption of a new partnership agreement for the Partnership if it is the Surviving Business Entity. Any such amendment or adoption made pursuant to this <u>Section 14.5</u> shall be effective at the effective time or date of the merger or consolidation.

Section 14.6 Effect of Merger or Consolidation.

(a) At the effective time of the certificate of merger:

(i) all of the rights, privileges and powers of each of the business entities that has merged or consolidated, and all property, real, personal and mixed, and all debts due to any of those business entities and all other things and causes of action belonging to each of those business entities, shall be vested in the Surviving Business Entity and after the merger or consolidation shall be the property of the Surviving Business Entity to the extent they were of each constituent business entity;

(ii) the title to any real property vested by deed or otherwise in any of those constituent business entities shall not revert and is not in any way impaired because of the merger or consolidation;

(iii) all rights of creditors and all liens on or security interests in property of any of those constituent business entities shall be preserved unimpaired; and

(iv) all debts, liabilities and duties of those constituent business entities shall attach to the Surviving Business Entity and may be enforced against it to the same extent as if the debts, liabilities and duties had been incurred or contracted by it.

(b) A merger or consolidation effected pursuant to this Article shall not be deemed to result in a transfer or assignment of assets or liabilities from one entity to another.

# ARTICLE XV RIGHT TO ACQUIRE LIMITED PARTNER INTERESTS

Section 15.1 Right to Acquire Limited Partner Interests.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, if at any time the General Partner and its Affiliates hold more than 97% of the total Limited Partner Interests of any class, the General Partner shall then have the right, which right it may assign and transfer in whole or in part to the Partnership or any Affiliate of the General Partner, exercisable in its sole discretion, to purchase all, but not less than all, of such Limited Partner Interests of such class then Outstanding held by Persons other than the General Partner and its Affiliates, at the greater of (x) the Current Market Price as of the date three days prior to the date that the notice described in <u>Section 15.1(b)</u> is mailed and (y) the highest price paid by the General Partner or any of its Affiliates for any such Limited Partner Interest of such class purchased during the 90-day period preceding the date that the notice described in <u>Section 15.1(b)</u> is mailed. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if, at any time, the General Partner and its Affiliates hold less than 75% of the total Limited Partner Interests of any class then Outstanding, from and after that time, the General Partner 's right set forth in this <u>Section 15.1(a)</u> shall be exercisable if the General Partner and its Affiliates subsequently hold more than 80% of the total Limited Partner Interests of such class. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, for the purposes of this <u>Section 15.1(a)</u> Common Units and Class B Units shall be considered Limited Partner Interests of a single class.

(b) If the General Partner, any Affiliate of the General Partner or the Partnership elects to exercise the right to purchase Limited Partner Interests granted pursuant to <u>Section 15.1(a)</u>, the General Partner shall deliver to the Transfer Agent notice of such election to purchase (the "*Notice of Election to Purchase*") and shall cause the Transfer Agent to mail a copy of such Notice of Election to Purchase to the Record Holders of Limited Partner Interests of such class (as of a Record Date selected by the General Partner) at least 10, but not more than 60, days prior to the Purchase Date. Such Notice of Election to Purchase shall also be filed and distributed as may be required by the Commission or any National Securities Exchange on which such Limited Partner Interests are listed. The Notice of Election to Purchase Date and the price (determined in accordance with <u>Section 15.1(a)</u>) at which Limited Partner Interests will be purchased and state that the General Partner, its Affiliate or the Partnership, as the case may be, elects to purchase such Limited Partner Interests evidenced by Certificates), at such office or offices of the Transfer Agent as the Transfer Agent may specify, or as may be required by any National Securities Exchange on which such Limited

Partner Interests are listed or admitted to trading. Any such Notice of Election to Purchase mailed to a Record Holder of Limited Partner Interests at his address as reflected in the records of the Transfer Agent shall be conclusively presumed to have been given regardless of whether the owner receives such notice. On or prior to the Purchase Date, the General Partner, its Affiliate or the Partnership, as the case may be, shall deposit with the Transfer Agent cash in an amount sufficient to pay the aggregate purchase price of all of such Limited Partner Interests to be purchased in accordance with this <u>Section 15.1</u>. If the Notice of Election to Purchase shall have been duly given as aforesaid at least 10 days prior to the Purchase Date, and if on or prior to the Purchase Date the deposit described in the preceding sentence has been made for the benefit of the holders of Limited Partner Interests subject to purchase as provided herein, then from and after the Purchase Date, notwithstanding that any Certificate shall not have been surrendered for purchase, all rights of the holders of such Limited Partner Interests (including any rights pursuant to <u>Articles IV</u>, <u>V</u>, <u>VI</u>, and <u>VII</u>) shall thereupon cease, except the right to receive the purchase price (determined in accordance with <u>Section 15.1(a)</u>) for Limited Partner Interests therefor, without interest, upon surrender to the Transfer Agent of the Certificates representing such Limited Partner Interests (in the case of Limited Partner Interests evidenced by Certificates), and such Limited Partner Interests shall thereupon be deemed to be transferred to the General Partner, its Affiliate or the Partnership, as the case may be, on the record books of the Transfer Agent and the Partnership, and the General Partner or any Affiliate of the General Partner, or the Partnership, as the case may be, shall be deemed to be the owner of all such Limited Partner Interests pursuant to <u>Articles IV</u>, <u>V</u>, <u>VI</u>, and <u>VII</u>).

(c) In the case of Limited Partner Interests evidenced by Certificates, at any time from and after the Purchase Date, a holder of an Outstanding Limited Partner Interest subject to purchase as provided in this <u>Section 15.1</u> may surrender his Certificate evidencing such Limited Partner Interest to the Transfer Agent in exchange for payment of the amount described in <u>Section 15.1(a)</u>, therefor, without interest thereon.

#### ARTICLE XVI GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 16.1 Addresses and Notices; Written Communications.

(a) Any notice, demand, request, report or proxy materials required or permitted to be given or made to a Partner under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed given or made when delivered in person or when sent by first class United States mail or by other means of written communication to the Partner at the address described below. Any notice, payment or report to be given or made to a Partner hereunder shall be deemed conclusively to have been given or made, and the obligation to give such notice or report or to make such payment shall be deemed conclusively to have been fully satisfied, upon sending of such notice, payment or report to the Record Holder of such Partnership Interests at his address as shown on the records of the Transfer Agent or as otherwise shown on the records of the Partnership, regardless of any claim of any Person who may have an interest in such Partnership Interests by reason of any assignment or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if (i) a Partner shall consent to receiving notices, demands, requests, reports or proxy materials via electronic mail or by the Internet or (ii) the rules of the Commission shall permit any report or proxy materials to be

delivered electronically or made available via the Internet, any such notice, demand, request, report or proxy materials shall be deemed given or made when delivered or made available via such mode of delivery. An affidavit or certificate of making of any notice, payment or report in accordance with the provisions of this <u>Section 16.1(a)</u> executed by the General Partner, the Transfer Agent or the mailing organization shall be prima facie evidence of the giving or making of such notice, payment or report. If any notice, payment or report given or made in accordance with the provisions of this <u>Section 16.1(a)</u> is returned marked to indicate that such notice, payment or report was unable to be delivered, such notice, payment or report and, in the case of notices, payments or reports returned by the United States Postal Service (or other physical mail delivery mail service outside the United States of America), any subsequent notices, payments and reports shall be deemed to have been duly given or made without further mailing (until such time as such Record Holder or another Person notifies the Transfer Agent or the Partnership of a change in his address) or other delivery if they are available for the Partner at the principal office of the Partnership for a period of one year from the date of the giving or making of such notice, payment or report to the other Partners. Any notice to the Partnership shall be deemed given if received by the General Partner at the principal office of the Partnership shall be deemed given if received by the General Partner at the principal office of the Partnership shall be deemed given if received by the General Partner at the principal office of the Partnership shall be deemed given if received by the General Partner at the principal office of the Partnership shall be deemed given if received by the General Partner at the principal office of the Partnership shall be deemed given if received by the General Partner at the principal office of the Partnership shall be deemed given if

(b) The terms "in writing", "written communications," "written notice" and words of similar import shall be deemed satisfied under this Agreement by use of e-mail and other forms of electronic communication.

Section 16.2 *Further Action*. The parties shall execute and deliver all documents, provide all information and take or refrain from taking action as may be necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of this Agreement.

Section 16.3 *Binding Effect*. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, legal representatives and permitted assigns.

Section 16.4 *Integration*. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement among the parties hereto pertaining to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings pertaining thereto.

Section 16.5 *Creditors*. None of the provisions of this Agreement shall be for the benefit of, or shall be enforceable by, any creditor of the Partnership.

Section 16.6 *Waiver*. No failure by any party to insist upon the strict performance of any covenant, duty, agreement or condition of this Agreement or to exercise any right or remedy consequent upon a breach thereof shall constitute waiver of any such breach of any other covenant, duty, agreement or condition.

Section 16.7 *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, all of which together shall constitute an agreement binding on all the parties hereto, notwithstanding that all such parties are not signatories to the original or the same counterpart. Each party shall become bound by this Agreement immediately upon affixing its signature hereto or, in the case of a Person acquiring a Partnership Interest, pursuant to <u>Section 10.1(c)</u> without execution hereof.

Section 16.8 Applicable Law; Forum, Venue and Jurisdiction; Waiver of Trial by Jury; Attorney Fees.

(a) This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law.

(b) Each of the Partners and each Person holding any beneficial interest in the Partnership (whether through a broker, dealer, bank, trust company or clearing corporation or an agent of any of the foregoing or otherwise):

(i) irrevocably agrees that any claims, suits, actions or proceedings (A) arising out of or relating in any way to this Agreement (including any claims, suits or actions to interpret, apply or enforce the provisions of this Agreement or the duties, obligations or liabilities among Partners or of Partners to the Partnership, or the rights or powers of, or restrictions on, the Partners or the Partnership), (B) brought in a derivative manner on behalf of the Partnership, (C) asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary or other duty owed by any director, officer, or other employee of the Partnership or the General Partner, or owed by the General Partner, to the Partnership or the Partners, (D) asserting a claim arising pursuant to any provision of the Delaware Act or (E) asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine shall be exclusively brought in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or, if such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction thereof, any other court located in the State of Delaware with subject matter jurisdiction), in each case regardless of whether such claims, suits, actions or proceedings sound in contract, tort, fraud or otherwise, are based on common law, statutory, equitable, legal or other grounds, or are derivative or direct claims;

(ii) irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or, if such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction thereof, any other court located in the State of Delaware with subject matter jurisdiction) in connection with any such claim, suit, action or proceeding;

(iii) agrees not to, and waives any right to, assert in any such claim, suit, action or proceeding that (A) it is not personally subject to the jurisdiction of the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware or of any other court to which proceedings in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware may be appealed, (B) such claim, suit, action or proceeding is brought in an inconvenient forum, or (C) the venue of such claim, suit, action or proceeding is improper;

(iv) expressly waives any requirement for the posting of a bond by a party bringing such claim, suit, action or proceeding;

(v) consents to process being served in any such claim, suit, action or proceeding by mailing, certified mail, return receipt requested, a copy thereof to such party at the address in effect for notices hereunder, and agrees that such services shall constitute good and sufficient service of process and notice thereof; *provided*, nothing in this clause (v) shall affect or limit any right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law;

# (vi) IRREVOCABLY WAIVES THE RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY SUCH CLAIM, SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING; AND

(vii) agrees that if such Partner or Person does not obtain a judgment on the merits that substantially achieves, in substance and amount, the full remedy sought in any such claim, suit, action or proceeding, then such Partner or Person shall be obligated to reimburse the Partnership and its Affiliates for all fees, costs and expenses of every kind and description, including but not limited to all reasonable attorneys' fees and other litigation expenses, that the parties may incur in connection with such claim, suit, action or proceeding.

Section 16.9 *Invalidity of Provisions*. If any provision or part of a provision of this Agreement is or becomes, for any reason, invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions and part thereof contained herein shall not be affected thereby, and this Agreement shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be reformed and construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision, or part of a provision, had never been contained herein, and such provision or part reformed so that it would be valid, legal and enforceable to the maximum extent possible.

Section 16.10 *Consent of Partners*. Each Partner hereby expressly consents and agrees that, whenever in this Agreement it is specified that an action may be taken upon the affirmative vote or consent of less than all of the Partners, such action may be so taken upon the concurrence of less than all of the Partners and each Partner shall be bound by the results of such action.

Section 16.11 *Facsimile and Email Signatures.* The use of facsimile signatures and signatures delivered by email in portable document format (.pdf) or similar format affixed in the name and on behalf of the transfer agent and registrar of the Partnership on Certificates representing Units is expressly permitted by this Agreement.

Section 16.12 *Third Party Beneficiaries*. Each Partner agrees that (a) any Indemnitee shall be entitled to assert rights and remedies hereunder as a third-party beneficiary hereto with respect to those provisions of this Agreement affording a right, benefit or privilege to such Indemnitee, and (b) any Unrestricted Person shall be entitled to assert rights and remedies hereunder as a third-party beneficiary hereto with respect to those provisions of this Agreement affording a right, benefit or privilege to such Indemnitee, and (b) any Unrestricted Person shall be entitled to assert rights and remedies hereunder as a third-party beneficiary hereto with respect to those provisions of this Agreement affording a right, benefit or privilege to such Unrestricted Person.

# [Signature page follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the General Partner executed this Agreement as of the First A&R Date.

GENERAL PARTNER:

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM GP LLC

By:	/s/ Teresa L. Dick
Name:	Teresa L. Dick
Title:	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

**INITIAL PARTNER:** 

# ENERGEN RESOURCES CORPORATION

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick Name: Teresa L. Dick Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Assistant Secretary

[Signature Page to First Amended and Restated Partnership Agreement of Rattler Midstream LP]

#### EXHIBIT A

# Certificate Evidencing Common Units Representing Limited Partner Interests in Rattler Midstream LP

No.

Common Units

In accordance with Section 4.1 of the First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Rattler Midstream LP, as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time (the "Partnership Agreement"), Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "Partnership"), hereby certifies that (the "Holder") is the registered owner of Common Units representing limited partner interests in the Partnership (the "Common Units") transferable on the books of the Partnership, in person or by duly authorized attorney, upon surrender of this Certificate properly endorsed. The rights, preferences and limitations of the Common Units are set forth in, and this Certificate and the Common Units represented hereby are issued and shall in all respects be subject to the terms and provisions of, the Partnership Agreement. Copies of the Partnership located at 500 West Texas Avenue, Suite 1200, Midland, Texas, 79701. Capitalized terms used herein but not defined shall have the meanings given them in the Partnership Agreement.

THE HOLDER OF THIS SECURITY ACKNOWLEDGES FOR THE BENEFIT OF RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP THAT THIS SECURITY MAY NOT BE SOLD, OFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED IF SUCH TRANSFER WOULD (A) VIOLATE THE THEN APPLICABLE FEDERAL OR STATE SECURITIES LAWS OR RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY WITH JURISDICTION OVER SUCH TRANSFER OR (B) TERMINATE THE EXISTENCE OR QUALIFICATION OF RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE. THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH ABOVE SHALL NOT PRECLUDE THE SETTLEMENT OF ANY TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THIS SECURITY ENTERED INTO THROUGH THE FACILITIES OF ANY NATIONAL SECURITIES EXCHANGE ON WHICH THIS SECURITY IS LISTED OR ADMITTED TO TRADING.

The Holder, by accepting this Certificate, is deemed to have (i) requested admission as, and agreed to become, a Limited Partner and to have agreed to comply with and be bound by and to have executed the Partnership Agreement, (ii) represented and warranted that the Holder has all right, power and authority and, if an individual, the capacity necessary to enter into the Partnership Agreement and (iii) made the waivers and given the consents and approvals contained in the Partnership Agreement.

This Certificate shall not be valid for any purpose unless it has been countersigned and registered by the Transfer Agent and Registrar. This Certificate shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware.

# **Rattler Midstream LP**

By: Rattler Midstream GP LLC, as its general partner

By: Name:

Title:

Countersigned and Registered by: Computershare Trust Company, N.A., as Transfer Agent and Registrar

By: Name: Title:

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[Reverse of Certificate]

#### ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of this Certificate, shall be construed as follows according to applicable laws or regulations:

TEN COM – as tenants in common TEN ENT – as tenants by the entireties JT TEN – as joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common

Additional abbreviations, though not in the above list, may also be used.

# ASSIGNMENT OF COMMON UNITS OF RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

FOR VALUE RECEIVED,

hereby assigns, conveys, sells and transfers unto

(Please print or typewrite name and address of assignee)

(Please insert Social Security or other identifying number of assignee)

(Minor)

Under Uniform Gifts/Transfers to CD Minors Act (State)

Common Units representing limited partner interests evidenced by this Certificate, subject to the Partnership Agreement, and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint as its attorney-in-fact with full power of substitution to transfer the same on the books of Rattler Midstream LP.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: The signature to any endorsement hereon must correspond with the name as written upon the face of this Certificate in every particular without alteration, enlargement or change.

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# THE SIGNATURE(S) MUST BE GUARANTEED BY AN ELIGIBLE GUARANTOR INSTITUTION (BANKS, STOCKBROKERS, SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS AND CREDIT UNIONS WITH MEMBERSHIP IN AN APPROVED SIGNATURE GUARANTEE MEDALLION PROGRAM), PURSUANT TO S.E.C. RULE 17Ad-15

(Signature)

(Signature)

No transfer of the Common Units evidenced hereby will be registered on the books of the Partnership, unless the Certificate evidencing the Common Units to be transferred is surrendered for registration or transfer.

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# SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED

# LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT

OF

RATTLER MIDSTREAM OPERATING LLC

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#### SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT OF RATTLER MIDSTREAM OPERATING LLC

A Delaware Limited Liability Company

This Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, dated as of May 28, 2019, is entered into by and between Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership, as Managing Member, and Energen Resources Corporation, an Alabama corporation. In consideration of the covenants, conditions and agreements contained herein, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

# RECITALS

WHEREAS, Diamondback previously organized the Company as a Delaware limited liability company pursuant to a Limited Liability Company Agreement dated as of August 25, 2014 (as amended, the "*Original Agreement*");

WHEREAS, Diamondback contributed its 100% interest in the Company to Energen, and accordingly Energen became the sole member of the Company pursuant to the Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement dated February 18, 2019 (the "*Previous Agreement*"); and

WHEREAS, in connection with the closing of the transactions contemplated by the Initial Public Offering, it is necessary to amend the Previous Agreement as provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Previous Agreement is hereby amended and, as so amended, is restated in its entirety as follows:

# ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 *Definitions*. The following definitions shall be for all purposes, unless otherwise clearly indicated to the contrary, applied to the terms used in this Agreement.

"Adjusted Capital Account" means, with respect to any Member, the balance in such Member's Capital Account at the end of each taxable period of the Company, after giving effect to the following adjustments: (a) credit to such Capital Account any amounts that such Member is obligated to restore under the standards set by Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(c) (or is deemed obligated to restore pursuant to the penultimate sentences of Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-2(g)(1) and 1.704-2(i)(5)) and (b) debit to such Capital Account the items described in Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(4), (5) and (6). The foregoing definition of Adjusted Capital Account is intended to comply with the provisions of Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d) and shall be interpreted consistently therewith. The "Adjusted Capital Account" of a Member in respect of any Membership Interest shall be the amount that such Adjusted Capital Account would be if such Membership Interest were the only interest in the Company held by such Member from and after the date on which such Membership Interest was first issued.

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"Adjusted Property" means any property the Carrying Value of which has been adjusted pursuant to Section 5.3(d).

"*Affiliate*" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries Controls, is Controlled by or is under common Control with, the Person in question.

*"Agreed Allocation"* means any allocation, other than a Required Allocation, of an item of income, gain, loss or deduction pursuant to the provisions of <u>Section 6.1</u>, including a Curative Allocation (if appropriate to the context in which the term *"Agreed Allocation"* is used).

"*Agreed Value*" of (a) a Contributed Property means the fair market value of such property or other consideration at the time of contribution and (b) an Adjusted Property means the fair market value of such Adjusted Property on the date of the Revaluation Event, in each case as determined by the Managing Member.

"Agreement" means this Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, as it may be amended, modified, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"*Associate*" means, when used to indicate a relationship with any Person, (a) any corporation or organization of which such Person is a director, officer, manager, general partner or managing member or is, directly or indirectly, the owner of 20% or more of any class of voting stock or other voting interest, (b) any trust or other estate in which such Person has at least a 20% beneficial interest or as to which such Person serves as trustee or in a similar fiduciary capacity, and (c) any relative or spouse of such Person, or any relative of such spouse, who has the same principal residence as such Person.

"*Bad Faith*" means, with respect to any determination, action or omission, of any Person, board or committee, that such Person, board or committee reached such determination, or engaged in or failed to engage in such act or omission, with the belief that such determination, action or omission was adverse to the interest of the Company.

"Board of Directors" means the board of directors of the General Partner.

"Book-Tax Disparity" means, with respect to any item of Contributed Property or Adjusted Property, as of the date of any determination, the difference between the Carrying Value of such Contributed Property or Adjusted Property and the adjusted basis thereof for U.S. federal income tax purposes as of such date. A Member's share of the Company's Book-Tax Disparities in all of its Contributed Property and Adjusted Property will be reflected by the difference between such Member's Capital Account balance as maintained pursuant to <u>Section 5.3</u> and the hypothetical balance of such Member's Capital Account computed as if it had been maintained strictly in accordance with U.S. federal income tax accounting principles.

"*Business Day*" means Monday through Friday of each week, except that a legal holiday recognized as such by the government of the United States of America or the State of Texas shall not be regarded as a Business Day.

"*Capital Account*" means the capital account maintained for a Member pursuant to <u>Section 5.3</u>. The "Capital Account" of a Member in respect of any Membership Interest shall

be the amount that such Capital Account would be if such Membership Interest were the only interest in the Company held by such Member from and after the date on which such Membership Interest was first issued.

"*Capital Contribution*" means any cash, cash equivalents or the Net Agreed Value of Contributed Property that a Member contributes to the Company or that is contributed or deemed contributed to the Company on behalf of a Member (including in the case of an underwritten offering of Partnership Common Units, the amount of any underwriting discounts and commissions).

"*Carrying Value*" means (a) with respect to a Contributed Property or Adjusted Property, the Agreed Value of such property reduced (but not below zero) by all depreciation, amortization and other cost recovery deductions charged to the Members' Capital Accounts in respect of such property and (b) with respect to any other Company property, the adjusted basis of such property for federal income tax purposes, all as of the time of determination. The Carrying Value of any property shall be adjusted from time to time in accordance with <u>Section 5.3(d)</u> and to reflect changes, additions or other adjustments to the Carrying Value for dispositions and acquisitions of Company properties, as deemed appropriate by the Managing Member.

*"Cause"* means a court of competent jurisdiction has entered a final, non-appealable judgment finding the Managing Member liable to the Company or any Non-Managing Member for actual fraud or willful misconduct in its capacity as a managing member of the Company.

"Cash Option Amount" has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 5.1(e)</u>.

"*Certificate*" means a certificate, in such form as may be adopted by the Managing Member, issued by the Company evidencing ownership of one or more classes of Membership Interests.

"*Certificate of Formation*" means the Certificate of Formation of the Company filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on July 29, 2014, as amended by the Certificate of Amendment to the Certificate of Formation filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on March 15, 2017, as may be further amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"*Code*" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and in effect from time to time. Any reference herein to a specific section or sections of the Code shall be deemed to include a reference to any corresponding provision of any successor law.

"Commission" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Company" means Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"Company Group" means, collectively, the Company and its Subsidiaries.

"*Company Minimum Gain*" means that amount determined in accordance with the principles of Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-2(b)(2) and 1.704-2(d).

"Conflicts Committee" has the meaning set forth in the Partnership Agreement.

"*Contributed Property*" means each property or other asset, in such form as may be permitted by the Delaware Act, but excluding cash, contributed or deemed contributed to the Company. Once the Carrying Value of a Contributed Property is adjusted pursuant to <u>Section 5.3(d)</u>, such property or other asset shall no longer constitute a Contributed Property, but shall be deemed an Adjusted Property.

"*Control*" or "*control*" (including the terms "*controlled*" or "*controlling*") means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

"Curative Allocation" means any allocation of an item of income, gain, deduction, loss or credit pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.1(b)(xi).

"Deferred Issuance" means the issuance by the Company of a number of additional Units that is equal to the excess, if any, of (a) the number of Partnership Common Units subject to the Underwriters' Option over (b) the number of Units equal to the aggregate number, if any, of Partnership Common Units actually purchased by and issued to the IPO Underwriters pursuant to the Underwriters' Option on one or more dates.

"*Deferred Issuance Date*" means the first Business Day after the expiration of the Underwriters' Option in accordance with the Underwriting Agreement.

"*Delaware Act*" means the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, 6 Del C. Section 18-101, et seq., as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

# "*Diamondback*" means Diamondback Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Disqualified Person" means (a) a "tax-exempt entity" (unless such Person would be subject to tax under Section 511 of the Code on all income from the Company) or "tax-exempt controlled entity" (unless with respect to a "tax-exempt controlled entity," an election is made under Section 168(h) (6)(F)(ii) of the Code) as those terms are defined in Section 168(h) of the Code; (b) a Person described in Section 50(b)(3) (unless such Person would be subject to tax under Section 511 of the Code on all income from the Company), Section 50(b)(4) or Section 50(d) of the Code; (c) an entity described in paragraph (4) of Section 54(j) of the Code; or (d) any partnership or other pass-through entity (including a single-member disregarded entity) any direct or indirect partner of which (or other direct or indirect holder of an equity or profits interest) is described in clauses (a) through (c) above, unless such Person holds its interest in the partnership or other pass-through entity through an entity taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes, other than an (i) a "tax-exempt controlled entity" as defined in Section 168(h) (unless with respect to a "tax-exempt controlled entity," an election is made under Section 168(h)(6)(F)(ii) of the Code) or (ii) a corporation with respect to which the rules of Section 50(d) would apply.

"Economic Risk of Loss" has the meaning set forth in Treasury Regulations Section 1.752-2(a).

"*Energen*" means Energen Resources Corporation, an Alabama corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Diamondback on the IPO Closing Date.

"*Equity Contribution Agreement*" means the Equity Contribution Agreement, dated as of May 28, 2019, between the Managing Member and the Company.

*"Exchange Agreement"* means the Exchange Agreement, dated as of May 28, 2019, among the Managing Member, the General Partner, Energen and the Company.

"*General Partner*" means Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and its successors and permitted assigns that are admitted to the Managing Member as the general partner of the Managing Member, in their capacity as the general partner of the Managing Member.

"Good Faith" means, with respect to any determination, action or omission, of any Person, board or committee, that such determination, action or omission was not taken in Bad Faith.

"Gross Liability Value" means, with respect to any Liability of the Company described in Treasury Regulations Section 1.752-7(b)(3)(i), the amount of cash that a willing assignor would pay to a willing assignee to assume such Liability in an arm's-length transaction.

"*Group*" means two or more Persons that, with or through any of their respective Affiliates or Associates, have any contract, arrangement, understanding or relationship for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting (except voting pursuant to a revocable proxy or consent given to such Person in response to a proxy or consent solicitation made to 10 or more Persons), exercising investment power over or disposing of any Membership Interests with any other Person that beneficially owns, or whose Affiliates or Associates beneficially own, directly or indirectly, Membership Interests.

"Group Member" means a member of the Company Group.

"Group Member Agreement" means the partnership agreement of any Group Member that is a limited or general partnership, the limited liability company agreement of any Group Member that is a limited liability company, other than the Company, the certificate of incorporation and bylaws or similar organizational documents of any Group Member that is a corporation, the joint venture agreement or similar governing document of any Group Member that is a joint venture and the governing or organizational or similar documents of any other Group Member that is a Person other than a limited or general partnership, limited liability company, corporation or joint venture, as such may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"*Indemnitee*" means (a) any Managing Member, (b) any Person who is or was an Affiliate of the Managing Member, (c) any Person who is or was a manager, managing member, general partner, director, officer, employee, agent, fiduciary or trustee of any Group Member, a Managing Member or any of their respective Affiliates, (d) any Person who is or was serving at the request of a Managing Member or any of its Affiliates as an officer, director, manager, managing member, general partner, employee, agent, fiduciary or trustee of another Person owing a fiduciary or similar duty to any Group Member; *provided* that a Person shall not be an Indemnitee by reason of providing, on a fee-for-services basis, trustee, fiduciary or custodial services, (e) any Person who controls a Managing Member and (f) any Person the Managing Member designates as an "Indemnitee" for purposes of this Agreement because such Person's service, status or relationship exposes such Person to potential claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings relating to the Company Group's business and affairs.

"*Initial Public Offering*" means the initial offering and sale of Partnership Common Units to the public (including the offer and sale of Partnership Common Units pursuant to the Underwriters' Option), as described in the IPO Registration Statement.

*"IPO Closing Date"* means the first date on which Partnership Common Units are sold by the Managing Member to the IPO Underwriters pursuant to the provisions of the Underwriting Agreement.

"IPO Proceeds Amount" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.1(c).

"*IPO Registration Statement*" means the Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-226645) as it has been or as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, filed by the Managing Member with the Commission under the Securities Act to register the offering and sale of Partnership Common Units in the Initial Public Offering.

"*IPO Underwriter*" means each Person named as an underwriter in Schedule I to the Underwriting Agreement who purchases Partnership Common Units pursuant thereto.

"Liability" means any liability or obligation of any nature, whether accrued, contingent or otherwise.

"Liquidation Date" means the date on which any event giving rise to the dissolution of the Company occurs.

*"Liquidator"* means one or more Persons selected by the Managing Member to perform the functions described in <u>Section 12.2</u> as liquidating trustee of the Company within the meaning of the Delaware Act.

"*Managing Member*" means Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership, and its successors and permitted assigns that are admitted to the Company as the managing member of the Company, in its capacity as the managing member of the Company. The Managing Member is the sole managing member of the Company and the holder of the Managing Member Interest.

"*Managing Member Interest*" means the interest of the Managing Member in the Company (in its capacity as managing member without reference to any Membership Interest), evidenced by Units held by the Managing Member, and includes any and all rights, powers and benefits to which the Managing Member is entitled as provided in this Agreement, together with all obligations of the Managing Member to comply with the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

"Member" means any of the Managing Member and the Non-Managing Members.

"Member Nonrecourse Debt" has the meaning set forth in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(b)(4).

"Member Nonrecourse Debt Minimum Gain" has the meaning set forth in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(i)(2).

"*Member Nonrecourse Deductions*" means any and all items of loss, deduction or expenditure (including any expenditure described in Section 705(a)(2)(B) of the Code), that, in accordance with the principles of Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(i), are attributable to a Member Nonrecourse Debt.

"Membership Interest" means, as applicable, the Managing Member Interest and any Non-Managing Member Interests.

"*National Securities Exchange*" means an exchange registered with the Commission under Section 6(a) of the Securities Exchange Act (or any successor to such Section) and any other securities exchange (whether or not registered with the Commission under Section 6(a) of the Securities Exchange Act (or successor to such Section)) that the Managing Member shall designate as a National Securities Exchange for purposes of this Agreement.

"*Net Agreed Value*" means, (a) in the case of any Contributed Property, the Agreed Value of such Contributed Property reduced by any Liabilities either assumed by the Company upon such contribution or to which such Contributed Property is subject when contributed and (b) in the case of any property distributed to a Member by the Company, the Company's Carrying Value of such property (as adjusted pursuant to <u>Section 5.3(d)</u>) at the time such property is distributed, reduced by any Liabilities either assumed by such Member upon such distribution or to which such property is subject at the time of distribution, in either case as determined and required by the Treasury Regulations promulgated under Section 704(b) of the Code.

"*Net Income*" means, for any taxable period, the excess, if any, of the Company's items of income and gain for such taxable period over the Company's items of loss and deduction for such taxable period. The items included in the calculation of Net Income shall be determined in accordance with <u>Section 5.3(b)</u>.

"*Net Loss*" means, for any taxable period, the excess, if any, of the Company's items of loss and deduction for such taxable period over the Company's items of income and gain for such taxable period. The items included in the calculation of Net Loss shall be determined in accordance with <u>Section 5.3(b)</u>.

"Non-Managing Member" means Energen and each additional Person other than the Managing Member that owns one or more Units.

"*Non-Managing Member Interest*" means an interest of a Non-Managing Member in the Company, evidenced by Units held by such Non-Managing Member, and includes any and all benefits to which such Member is entitled as provided in this Agreement, together with all obligations of such Member pursuant to the terms and provisions of this Agreement.

"Noncompensatory Option" has the meaning set forth in Treasury Regulations Section 1.721-2(f).

"*Nonrecourse Built-in Gain*" means with respect to any Contributed Properties or Adjusted Properties that are subject to a mortgage or pledge securing a Nonrecourse Liability, the amount of any taxable gain that would be allocated to the Members pursuant to <u>Section 6.2(b)</u> if such properties were disposed of in a taxable transaction in full satisfaction of such liabilities and for no other consideration.

"*Nonrecourse Deductions*" means any and all items of loss, deduction or expenditure (including any expenditure described in Section 705(a)(2) (B) of the Code)that, in accordance with the principles of Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(b)(1), are attributable to a Nonrecourse Liability.

"Nonrecourse Liability" has the meaning set forth in Treasury Regulations Section 1.752-1(a)(2).

"Original Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"*Outstanding*" means, with respect to Membership Interests, all Membership Interests that are issued by the Company and reflected as outstanding on the books and records as of the date of determination; *provided* that any Unit held by a holder of Partnership Class B Units shall not be entitled to vote and shall not be considered to be Outstanding for voting purposes under this Agreement.

"Partnership" means Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership.

"*Partnership Agreement*" means the First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Managing Member, dated as of May 28, 2019, as the same may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"*Partnership Class B Unit*" means a limited partner interest in the Partnership having the rights and obligations specified with respect to "Class B Units" in the Partnership Agreement.

"*Partnership Common Unit*" means a limited partner interest in the Partnership having the rights and obligations specified with respect to "Common Units" in the Partnership Agreement.

"Partnership Representative" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.4(a).

"*Percentage Interest*" means as of any date of determination as to any Unitholder with respect to Units, the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the number of Units held by such Unitholder by (ii) the total number of Outstanding Units.

"*Person*" means an individual or a corporation, firm, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, unincorporated organization, association, government agency or political subdivision thereof or other entity.

"Previous Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"**Pro Rata**" means (a) when used with respect to Units or any class thereof, apportioned among all designated Units in accordance with their relative Percentage Interests and (b) when used with respect to Members or Record Holders, apportioned among all Members or Record Holders in accordance with their relative Percentage Interests.

"Quarter" means, unless the context requires otherwise, a fiscal quarter of the Company.

"*Recapture Income*" means any gain recognized by the Company (computed without regard to any adjustment required by Section 734 or Section 743 of the Code) upon the disposition of any property or asset of the Company, which gain is characterized as ordinary income because it represents the recapture of deductions previously taken with respect to such property or asset.

"*Record Date*" means the date established by the Managing Member or otherwise in accordance with this Agreement for determining the identity of Record Holders entitled to receive any report or distribution or to participate in any offer.

"*Record Holder*" means the Person in whose name any Membership Interest is registered in the books and records of the Company as of the Company's close of business on a particular Business Day.

"*Required Allocations*" means any allocation of an item of income, gain, loss or deduction pursuant to <u>Section 6.1(b)(ii)</u>, <u>Section 6.1(b)(ii)</u>, <u>Section 6.1(b)(iv)</u>, <u>Section 6.1(b)(v)</u>, and <u>Section 6.1(b)(vii)</u>.

"Revaluation Event" means an event that results in an adjustment of the Carrying Value of each Company property pursuant to Section 5.3(d).

"Securities Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

"*Subsidiary*" means, with respect to any Person, (a) a corporation of which more than 50% of the voting power of shares entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors or other governing body of such corporation is owned, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, by such Person, by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or a combination thereof, (b) a partnership (whether general or limited) in which such Person or a Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, controls such partnership, but only if such Person, directly or by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, controls such partnership , directly or indirectly, at the date of determination or (c) any other Person in which such Person, one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, has (i) a majority ownership interest or (ii) the power to elect or direct the election of a majority of the directors or other governing body of such Person.

"*Trading Day*" means a day on which the principal National Securities Exchange on which the referenced Partnership Common Units or the referenced Membership Interests of any class are listed or admitted to trading is open for the transaction of business or, if such Partnership Common Units or such Membership Interests are not listed or admitted to trading on any National Securities Exchange, a day on which banking institutions in New York City generally are open.

"transfer" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.4(a).

"*Treasury Regulations*" means the regulations (including temporary regulations) promulgated by the United States Department of the Treasury pursuant to and in respect of provisions of the Code. All references herein to sections of the Treasury Regulations shall include any corresponding provision or provisions of succeeding, similar or substitute, temporary or final Treasury Regulations.

"Underwriters' Option" means the option to purchase additional Partnership Common Units granted to the IPO Underwriters by the Managing Member pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement.

"*Underwriters' Option Closing Date*" means the date(s) on which Partnership Common Units are sold by the Managing Member to the IPO Underwriters pursuant to the IPO Underwriters' exercise of the Underwriters' Option pursuant to the provisions of the Underwriting Agreement.

*"Underwriting Agreement"* means the Underwriting Agreement, dated as of May 22, 2019, among the IPO Underwriters, the Company, the Managing Member, the General Partner and Diamondback providing for the purchase of Partnership Common Units by the IPO Underwriters.

"*Unit*" means a limited liability company interest in the Company having the rights and obligations specified with respect to "Units" in this Agreement; *provided* that any Unit held by a holder of Partnership Class B Units shall not be entitled to vote and shall not be considered to be Outstanding for voting purposes under this Agreement.

"Unitholders" means the Record Holders of Units.

"Unrealized Gain" means, as of any date of determination, the excess, if any, attributable to any item of Company property, of (a) the fair market value of such property as of such date (as determined under <u>Section 5.3(d)</u>) over (b) the Carrying Value of such property as of such date (prior to any adjustment to be made pursuant to <u>Section 5.3(d)</u> as of such date).

"Unrealized Loss" means, as of any date of determination, the excess, if any, attributable to any item of Company property, of (a) the Carrying Value of such property as of such date (prior to any adjustment to be made pursuant to <u>Section 5.3(d)</u> as of such date) over (b) the fair market value of such property as of such date (as determined under <u>Section 5.3(d)</u>).

"U.S. GAAP" means United States generally accepted accounting principles, as in effect from time to time, consistently applied.

Section 1.2 *Construction*. Unless the context requires otherwise: (a) any pronoun used in this Agreement shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine or neuter forms; (b) references to Articles and Sections refer to Articles and Sections of this Agreement; (c) the terms "include," "includes," "including" and words of like import shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation"; and (d) the terms "hereof," "herein" and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Agreement. The table of contents and headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only, and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement. The Managing Member has the power to construe and interpret this Agreement and to act upon any such construction or interpretation. Any construction or interpretation of this Agreement by the Managing Member and any action taken pursuant thereto and any determination made by the Managing Member in good faith shall, in each case, be conclusive and binding on all Record Holders and all other Persons for all purposes.

# ARTICLE II ORGANIZATION

Section 2.1 *Formation*. The Company was formed as a limited liability company pursuant to the provisions of the Delaware Act. The Members hereby amend and restate the Previous Agreement in its entirety, effective as of the date of this Agreement. Except as expressly provided to the contrary in this Agreement, the rights, duties, liabilities and obligations of the Members and the administration, dissolution and termination of the Company shall be governed by the Delaware Act.

Section 2.2 *Name*. The name of the Company shall be "Rattler Midstream Operating LLC." Subject to applicable law, the Company's business may be conducted under any other name or names as determined by the Managing Member, including the name of the Managing Member. The words "limited liability company," "LLC" or similar words or letters shall be included in the Company's name where necessary for the purpose of complying with the laws of any jurisdiction that so requires. The Managing Member may change the name of the Company at any time and from time to time and shall notify the Non-Managing Member(s) of such change in the next regular communication to the Non-Managing Member(s).

Section 2.3 *Registered Office; Registered Agent; Principal Office; Other Offices.* Unless and until changed by the Managing Member, the registered office of the Company in the State of Delaware shall be located at 251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, Delaware 19808, and the registered agent for service of process on the Company in the State of Delaware at such registered office shall be Corporation Service Company. The principal office of the Company shall be located at 500 West Texas Avenue, Suite 1200, Midland, Texas 79701 or such other place as the Managing Member may from time to time designate by notice to the other Members. The Company may maintain offices at such other place or places within or outside the State of Delaware as the Managing Member determines to be necessary or appropriate. The address of the Managing Member shall be 500 West Texas Avenue, Suite 1200, Midland, Texas 79701 or such other place as the Managing Member shall be 500 West Texas Avenue, Suite 1200, Midland, Texas 79701 or such other place as the Managing Member may from time to time designate by notice to the other Members.

Section 2.4 *Purpose and Business*. The purpose and nature of the business to be conducted by the Company shall be to (a) engage directly in, or enter into or form, hold and dispose of any corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other arrangement to engage indirectly in, any business activity that is approved by the Managing Member, in its sole discretion, and that lawfully may be conducted by a limited liability company organized pursuant to the Delaware Act and, in connection therewith, to exercise all of the rights and powers conferred upon the Company pursuant to the agreements relating to such business activity and (b) do anything necessary or appropriate to the foregoing, including the making of capital contributions or loans to a Group Member; *provided, however*, that the Managing Member shall not cause the Company to engage, directly or indirectly, in any business activity that the Managing Member determines would be reasonably likely to cause the Company to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation or otherwise taxable as an entity for federal income tax purposes. The Managing Member has no obligation or duty (including any fiduciary duty) to the Company or the other Members to propose or approve, and may decline to propose or approve, the conduct by the Company of any business in its sole discretion.

Section 2.5 *Powers*. The Company shall be empowered to do any and all acts and things necessary, appropriate, proper, advisable, incidental to or convenient for the furtherance and accomplishment of the purposes and business described in <u>Section 2.4</u> and for the protection and benefit of the Company.

Section 2.6 *Term*. The term of the Company commenced upon the filing of the Certificate of Formation in accordance with the Delaware Act and shall continue in existence until the dissolution of the Company in accordance with the provisions of <u>Article XII</u>. The existence of the Company as a separate legal entity shall continue until the cancellation of the Certificate of Formation as provided in the Delaware Act.

Section 2.7 *Title to Company Assets*. Title to the assets of the Company, whether real, personal or mixed and whether tangible or intangible, shall be deemed to be owned by the Company as an entity, and no Member, individually or collectively, shall have any ownership interest in such assets of the Company or any portion thereof. Title to any or all assets of the Company may be held in the name of the Company, the Managing Member, one or more of its Affiliates or one or more nominees of the Managing Member or its Affiliates, as the Managing Member may determine. The Managing Member hereby declares and warrants that any assets of the Company for which record title is held in the name of the Managing Member or one or more of its Affiliates or one or more nominees of the Managing Member or its Affiliates shall be held by the Managing Member or such Affiliate or nominee for the use and benefit of the Company in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; *provided, however*, that the Managing Member shall use reasonable efforts to cause record title to such assets (other than those assets in respect of which the Managing Member determines that the expense and difficulty of conveyancing makes transfer of record title to the Company impracticable) to be vested in the Company or one or more of the Company's designated Affiliates as soon as reasonably practicable; *provided, further*, that, prior to the withdrawal or removal of the Managing Member or as soon thereafter as practicable, the Managing Member shall use reasonable efforts to effect the transfer of record title to such assets in a manner satisfactory to any successor Managing Member. All assets of the Company shall be recorded as the property of the Company in its books and records, irrespective of the name in which record title to such assets of the Company is held.

# ARTICLE III RIGHTS OF MEMBERS

Section 3.1 *Limitation of Liability*. The Members shall have no liability under this Agreement except as expressly provided in this Agreement or the Delaware Act.

Section 3.2 *Management of Business.* Other than the Managing Member, no Member, in its capacity as such, shall participate in the operation, management or control of the Company's business, transact any business in the Company's name or have the power to sign documents for or otherwise bind the Company.

Section 3.3 *Outside Activities of Members*. Each Member shall be entitled to and may have business interests and engage in business activities in addition to those relating to the Company, including business interests and activities in direct competition with the Company Group. Neither the Company nor any of the other Members shall have any rights by virtue of this Agreement in any business ventures of any Member.

Section 3.4 *Rights of Members.* 

(a) Each Member shall have the right, upon written request and at such Member's own expense to obtain a copy of this Agreement and the Certificate of Formation and all amendments thereto.

(b) Each of the Members and each other Person or Group who acquires an interest in Membership Interests hereby agrees to the fullest extent permitted by law that they do not have any rights as Members to receive any information either pursuant to Section 18-305(a) of the Delaware Act or otherwise except for the right to obtain a copy of this Agreement and the Certificate of Formation set forth in <u>Section 3.4(a)</u>.

### ARTICLE IV

# CERTIFICATES; RECORD HOLDERS; TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP INTERESTS

Section 4.1 *Certificates*. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, unless the Managing Member shall determine otherwise in respect of some or all of any or all classes of Membership Interests, Membership Interests shall not be evidenced by certificates. Certificates that are issued, if any, shall be executed on behalf of the Company by the President, Chief Executive Officer or any Vice President and the Chief Financial Officer or the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary of the Company, the Managing Member or the general partner of the Managing Member.

Section 4.2 *Unitholders*. The names and addresses of the Members and number of Units of the Members are set forth on <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto and incorporated herein. The Managing Manager is hereby authorized to complete or amend <u>Exhibit A</u> from time to time to reflect the admission of Members, the withdrawal of a Member, the forfeiture of some or all of the interests of a Member, the transfer of any Membership Interests, and the change of address and other information called for by <u>Exhibit A</u> related to any Member, and to correct, update or amend <u>Exhibit A</u> at any time and from time to time. Such completion, correction or amendment may be made from time to time as and when the Managing Manager considers it appropriate.

Section 4.3 *Record Holders*. The Company and the Managing Member shall be entitled to recognize the Record Holder as the Member with respect to any Membership Interest and, accordingly, shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to, or interest in, such Membership Interest on the part of any other Person, regardless of whether the Company shall have actual or other notice thereof, except as otherwise provided by law.

#### Section 4.4 Transfer by Members.

(a) The term "*transfer*," when used in this Agreement with respect to a Membership Interest, shall mean a transaction by which the holder of a Membership Interest assigns all or any part of such Membership Interest to another Person who is or becomes a Member as a result thereof, and includes a sale, assignment, gift, exchange or any other disposition by law or otherwise (but not, in the case of the Membership Interests owned by the Managing Member, the pledge, grant of security interest, encumbrance, hypothecation or mortgage), including any transfer upon foreclosure or other exercise of remedies of any pledge, security interest, encumbrance, hypothecation or mortgage. For the avoidance of doubt, the Managing Member is permitted to pledge, encumber and/or grant a lien or other security interest in any or all of its Units.

(b) No Member may transfer all or any portion of its Units or other Membership Interests except with the written consent of the Managing Member (which may be granted or withheld in its sole discretion); *provided, further*, that notwithstanding the foregoing and subject to the provisions of <u>Section 4.5</u>, a Non-Managing Member may not transfer any of such Member's Units pursuant to and in accordance with the Exchange Agreement and the Partnership Agreement unless the Company provides a written determination in Good Faith based on the most current practically available geological data that there is sufficient Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss (or to the extent necessary, items thereof) attributable to the Company assets to make an allocation pursuant to <u>Section 6.1(b)(ix)</u> to cause the Capital Account balances of the Members to be equal to the same ratio as the Members' Percentage Interests immediately prior to such transfer. In addition, unless the Managing Member determines in Good Faith that a proposed transfer would violate <u>Section 4.5</u>, the Managing Member shall be deemed to have consented to a transfer of Units by a Non-Managing Member to an Affiliate of such Member; *provided*, that in connection with any such transfer, the transferor shall transfer an equivalent number of Partnership Class B Units to the transferee, in accordance with the terms of the Partnership Agreement. Any purported transfer of all or a portion of a Member's Units or other Membership Interests not complying with this <u>Section 4.4(b)</u> shall be void and shall not create any obligation on the part of the Company or the other Members to recognize that transfer or to deal with the Person to which the transfer purportedly was made.

#### Section 4.5 Restrictions on Transfers.

(a) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this <u>Article IV</u>, (i) no transfer of any Membership Interests shall be made if such transfer would (A) violate the then-applicable federal or state securities laws or rules and regulations of the Commission, any state securities commission or any other governmental authority with jurisdiction over such transfer, (B) terminate the existence or qualification of the Company under the laws of the jurisdiction of its formation; or (C) cause the Company to be treated as an association taxable as a corporation or otherwise to be taxed as an entity for U.S. federal income tax purposes (to the extent not already so treated or taxed) and (ii) any transfer of a Membership Interest to a Disqualified Person will be void *ab initio*.

(b) The Managing Member may impose restrictions on the transfer of Membership Interests if it receives written advice of counsel that such restrictions are necessary or advisable to avoid a significant risk of the Company's becoming taxable as a corporation or otherwise becoming taxable as an entity for federal income tax purposes (to the extent not already so treated or taxed). The Managing Member may impose such restrictions by amending this Agreement.

### ARTICLE V CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS AND ISSUANCE OF MEMBERSHIP INTERESTS

### Section 5.1 Capitalization.

(a) Prior to the IPO Closing Date, Energen and its predecessor contributed assets to the Company with respect to its 100% ownership interest in the Company.

(b) On the IPO Closing Date, Energen's 100% ownership interest in the Company was converted into (i) 107,815,152 Units and (ii) the right to receive the Deferred Issuance, if any.

(c) On the IPO Closing Date and pursuant to the Equity Contribution Agreement, the Managing Member made a Capital Contribution to the Company in the amount of \$631,750,000 (the "*IPO Proceeds Amount*") in exchange for the issuance by the Company to the Managing Member of 38,000,000 Units.

(d) On the IPO Closing Date, the Company made the special distribution contemplated by <u>Section 6.4(a)</u>.

(e) On each Underwriters' Option Closing Date, if any, and pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement, upon the exercise, if any, of the Underwriters' Option, each IPO Underwriter shall purchase from the Managing Member (the aggregate amount of such purchase by the IPO Underwriters, the "*Cash Option Amount*") a number of additional Partnership Common Units, and the Managing Member shall make a Capital Contribution to the Company in an amount equal to the Cash Option Amount in exchange for the issuance by the Company to the Managing Member of an amount of additional Units equal to such number of additional Partnership Common Units.

(f) On each Underwriters' Option Closing Date, if any, the Company shall make the special distribution contemplated by Section 6.4(b).

(g) On the Deferred Issuance Date, the Company shall make the Deferred Issuance, if any.

(h) No Non-Managing Member Interests will be issued or issuable as of, at, or in connection with the IPO Closing Date or the Deferred Issuance Date other than the Units issued to Energen under this <u>Section 5.1</u>. Neither the Managing Member nor any Non-Managing Member will be required to make any additional Capital Contribution to the Company pursuant to this Agreement.

Section 5.2 *Interest and Withdrawal.* No interest shall be paid by the Company on Capital Contributions. No Member shall be entitled to the withdrawal or return of its Capital Contribution, except to the extent, if any, that distributions made pursuant to this Agreement or upon termination of the Company may be considered as such by law and then only to the extent provided for in this Agreement. Except to the extent expressly provided in this Agreement, no Member shall have priority over any other Member either as to the return of Capital Contributions or as to profits, losses or distributions.

## Section 5.3 Capital Accounts.

(a) (i) The Company shall maintain for each Member (or a beneficial owner of Membership Interests held by a nominee, agent or representative in any case in which such nominee, agent or representative has furnished the identity of such beneficial owner to the Company in accordance with Section 6031(c) of the Code or any other method acceptable to the Managing Member) owning a Membership Interest a separate Capital Account with respect to such Membership Interest in accordance with the rules of Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv). The Capital Account shall in respect of each such

Membership Interest be increased by (i) the amount of all Capital Contributions made to the Company with respect to such Membership Interest (including the amount paid to the Company for any Noncompensatory Option) and (ii) all items of Company income and gain (including income and gain exempt from tax) computed in accordance with <u>Section 5.3(b)</u> and allocated with respect to such Membership Interest pursuant to <u>Section 6.1</u>, and decreased by (x) the amount of cash or Net Agreed Value of all actual and deemed distributions of cash or property made with respect to such Membership Interest and (y) all items of Company deduction and loss computed in accordance with <u>Section 5.3(b)</u> and allocated with respect to such Membership Interest pursuant to <u>Section 6.1</u>.

(ii) The Capital Account balance of each Member on the date hereof is shown on <u>Schedule 5.3(a)</u>.

(b) For purposes of computing the amount of any item of income, gain, loss, or deduction that is to be allocated pursuant to <u>Article VI</u> and is to be reflected in the Members' Capital Accounts, the determination, recognition and classification of any such item shall be the same as its determination, recognition and classification for federal income tax purposes (including any method of depreciation, cost recovery or amortization used for that purpose), *provided, that*:

(i) Solely for purposes of this <u>Section 5.3</u>, the Managing Member in its discretion may treat the Company as owning directly its share (as determined by the Managing Member based upon the provisions of the applicable Group Member Agreement or governing, organizational or similar documents) of all property owned by (x) any other Group Member that is classified as a partnership for federal income tax purposes and (y) any other partnership, limited liability company, unincorporated business or other entity classified as a partnership for federal income tax purposes of which a Group Member is, directly or indirectly, a partner, member or other equity holder.

(ii) All fees and other expenses incurred by the Company to promote the sale of (or to sell) a Membership Interest that can neither be deducted nor amortized under Section 709 of the Code, if any, shall, for purposes of Capital Account maintenance, be treated as an item of deduction at the time such fees and other expenses are incurred and shall be allocated among the Members pursuant to <u>Section 6.1</u>.

(iii) The computation of all items of income, gain, loss, or deduction, shall be made (x) except as otherwise provided in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(m), without regard to any election under Section 754 of the Code that may be made by the Company and (y) as to those items described in Section 705(a)(1)(B) or 705(a)(2)(B) of the Code, without regard to the fact that such items are not includable in gross income or are neither currently deductible nor capitalized for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

(iv) To the extent an adjustment to the adjusted basis of any Company asset pursuant to Section 734(b) of the Code (including pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.734-2(b)(1)) is required, pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(m), to be taken into account in determining Capital Accounts, the amount of such adjustment in the Capital Accounts shall be treated as an item of gain or loss.

(v) In the event the Carrying Value of Company property is adjusted pursuant to <u>Section 5.3(d)</u>, any Unrealized Gain resulting from such adjustment shall be treated as an item of gain and any Unrealized Loss resulting from such adjustment shall be treated as an item of loss.

(vi) Any income, gain, or loss attributable to the taxable disposition of any Company property shall be determined as if the adjusted basis of such property as of such date of disposition were equal in amount to the Company's Carrying Value with respect to such property as of such date.

(vii) Any deductions for depreciation, amortization or other cost recovery attributable to any Contributed Property or Adjusted Property shall be determined using any reasonable method selected by the Managing Member in accordance with Section 704(c) and the Treasury Regulations.

(viii) The Gross Liability Value of each Liability of the Company described in Treasury Regulations Section 1.752-7(b)(3)(i) shall be adjusted at such times as provided in this Agreement for an adjustment to Carrying Values. The amount of any such adjustment shall be treated for purposes hereof as an item of loss (if the adjustment increases the Carrying Value of such Liability of the Company) or an item of gain (if the adjustment decreases the Carrying Value of such Liability of the Company).

(c) A transferee of a Membership Interest shall succeed to a Pro Rata portion of the Capital Account of the transferor relating to the Membership Interest so transferred.

(d) (i) In accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(f) and 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(h)(2), on an issuance of any Membership Interests for cash or Contributed Property, on an issuance of a Noncompensatory Option or the issuance of Membership Interests as consideration for the provision of services, the Capital Account of each Member and the Carrying Value of each Company property immediately prior to such issuance shall be adjusted upward or downward to reflect any Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss attributable to such Company property; *provided, however*, that in the event of the issuance of a Membership Interest pursuant to the exercise of a Noncompensatory Option where the right to share in Company capital represented by such Membership Interest differs from the consideration paid to acquire and exercise such option, the Carrying Value of each Company property immediately after the issuance of such Membership Interest shall be adjusted upward or downward to reflect any Unrealized Loss attributable to such Company property and the Capital Accounts of the Members shall be adjusted in a manner consistent with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(s); *provided further, however*, that in the event of an issuance of Membership Interests for a de minimis amount of cash or Contributed Property, or in the event of an issuance of a deminimis amount of Membership Interests as consideration for the provision of services, the Managing Member may determine that such adjustments are unnecessary for

the proper administration of the Company. Any such Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss (or items thereof) shall be allocated (x) first to the Managing Member in accordance with Section 6.1(b)(ix) and (y) thereafter to the Members, Pro Rata. In determining such Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss, the aggregate fair market value of all Company property (including cash or cash equivalents) immediately prior to the issuance of additional Membership Interests (or, in the case of an issuance of a Noncompensatory Option, immediately after such issuance if required pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(s)(1)) shall be determined by the Managing Member using such method of valuation as it may adopt. In making its determination of the fair market values of individual properties, the Managing Member may first determine an aggregate value for the assets of the Company that takes into account the current trading price of the Partnership Common Units, the fair market value of the Membership Interests at such time and the amount of Company Liabilities. The Managing Member may allocate such aggregate value among the individual properties of the Company (in such manner as it determines appropriate).

(ii) In accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-(b)(2)(iv)(f), immediately prior to any actual distribution to a Member of any Company property (other than a distribution of cash that is not in redemption or retirement of a Membership Interest), the Capital Accounts of all Members and the Carrying Value of all Company property shall be adjusted upward or downward to reflect any Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss attributable to such Company property in the same manner as that provided in <u>Section 5.3(d)(i)</u>. In determining such Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss the aggregate fair market value of all Company property (including cash or cash equivalents) immediately prior to a distribution shall (A) in the case of a distribution that is not made pursuant to <u>Section 12.4</u>, be determined in the same manner as that provided in <u>Section 5.3(d)(i)</u> or (B) in the case of a liquidating distribution pursuant to <u>Section 12.4</u>, be determined by the Liquidator using such method of valuation as it may adopt.

## Section 5.4 Issuances of Additional Units.

(a) The Company is expressly authorized to issue additional Units for any Company purpose at any time and from time to time to such Persons for such consideration and on such terms and conditions as the Managing Member shall determine, all without any further act, approval or vote of any Non-Managing Member.

(b) The Managing Member shall take all actions that it determines to be necessary or appropriate in connection with (i) each issuance of Units pursuant to this Section 5.4, (ii) reflecting admission of such additional Non-Managing Member(s) in the books and records of the Company (including Exhibit A hereto) as the Record Holders of such Non-Managing Member Interests and (iii) all additional issuances of Units. The Managing Member shall do all things necessary to comply with the Delaware Act and is authorized and directed to do all things that it determines to be necessary or appropriate in connection with any future issuance of Units pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, including compliance with any statute, rule, regulation or guideline of any federal, state or other governmental agency.

(c) No fractional Units shall be issued by the Company.

Section 5.5 *Issuances of Securities by the Managing Member*. If the Managing Member issues any additional Partnership Common Units, the Managing Member shall contribute the net cash proceeds or other consideration received, if any, from the issuance of such additional Partnership Common Units in exchange for an equivalent number of Units. In addition, if the Managing Member issues Partnership Common Units pursuant to the Exchange Agreement or pursuant to a distribution (including any split or combination) of Partnership Common Units to all of the holders of Partnership Common Units, the Company shall, if necessary, issue to the Managing Member an equivalent number of Units, such that the number of Units held by the Managing Member is equal to the number of Partnership Common Units outstanding. In the event that the Managing Member issues any additional Partnership Common Units and contributes the net cash proceeds or other consideration, if any, received from the issuance thereof to the Company, the Company is authorized to issue a number of Units equal to the number of Partnership Common Units so issued without any further act, approval or vote of any Member or any other Persons.

Section 5.6 *Redemption, Repurchase or Forfeiture of Partnership Common Units.* If, at any time, any Partnership Common Units are redeemed, repurchased or otherwise acquired (whether by exercise of a put or call, automatically or by means of another arrangement) by the Managing Member, then, immediately prior to such redemption, repurchase or acquisition of Partnership Common Units, the Company shall redeem a number of Units held by the Managing Member equal to the number of Partnership Common Units so redeemed, repurchased or acquired, such redemption, repurchase or acquisition to be upon the same terms and for the same price per Unit as such Partnership Common Units that are redeemed, repurchased or acquired.

Section 5.7 *Issuance of Partnership Class B Units*. In the event that the Company issues Units to, or cancels Units held by, any Person other than the Managing Member, the Managing Member shall issue Partnership Class B Units to such Person or cancel Partnership Class B Units held by such Person, as applicable, such that the number of Partnership Class B Units held by such Person.

Section 5.8 *Fully Paid and Non-Assessable Nature of Units*. All Units issued pursuant to, and in accordance with the requirements of, this <u>Article V</u> shall be fully paid and non-assessable Units in the Company, except as such non-assessability may be affected by Sections 18-607 and 18-804 of the Delaware Act.

# ARTICLE VI ALLOCATIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

Section 6.1 *Allocations for Capital Account Purposes*. For purposes of maintaining the Capital Accounts and in determining the rights of the Members among themselves, the Company's items of income, gain, loss, deduction, and amount realized (computed in accordance with <u>Section 5.3(b)</u>) for each taxable period shall be allocated among the Members.

(a) <u>Net Income and Net Losses</u>. After giving effect to the special allocations set forth in <u>Section 6.1(b)</u>, Net Income and Net Losses for each taxable period and all items of income, gain, loss, and deduction for such taxable period shall be allocated to the Members, Pro Rata.

(b) <u>Special Allocations</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this <u>Section 6.1</u>, the following special allocations shall be made for such taxable period in the following order:

(i) Company Minimum Gain Chargeback. Notwithstanding any other provision of this <u>Section 6.1</u>, if there is a net decrease in Company Minimum Gain during any Company taxable period, each Member shall be allocated items of Company income and gain for such period (and, if necessary, subsequent periods) in the manner and amounts provided in Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-2(f)(6), 1.704-2(g)(2) and 1.704-2(j)(2)(i), or any successor provision. For purposes of this <u>Section 6.1(b</u>), each Member's Adjusted Capital Account balance shall be determined, and the allocation of income and gain required hereunder shall be effected, prior to the application of any other allocations pursuant to this <u>Section 6.1(b)</u> with respect to such taxable period (other than an allocation pursuant to <u>Section 6.1(b)</u>( $\underline{v}$ ) and <u>Section 6.1(b)(vi)</u>). This <u>Section 6.1(b)(i)</u> is intended to comply with the Company Minimum Gain chargeback requirement in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(f) and shall be interpreted consistently therewith.

(ii) Chargeback of Member Nonrecourse Debt Minimum Gain. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this <u>Section 6.1</u> (other than <u>Section 6.1(b)(i)</u>), except as provided in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(i)(4), if there is a net decrease in Member Nonrecourse Debt Minimum Gain at the beginning of such taxable period shall be allocated items of Company income and gain for such period (and, if necessary, subsequent periods) in the manner and amounts provided in Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-2(i)(4) and 1.704-2(j)(2)(ii), or any successor provisions. For purposes of this <u>Section 6.1(b)</u>, each Member's Adjusted Capital Account balance shall be determined, and the allocation of income and gain required hereunder shall be effected, prior to the application of any other allocations pursuant to this <u>Section 6.1(b)</u> with respect to such taxable period (other than an allocation pursuant to <u>Section 6.1(b)(i)</u>, <u>Section 6.1(b)(v)</u> and <u>Section 6.1(b)(v)</u>). This <u>Section 6.1(b)(ii)</u> is intended to comply with the chargeback of items of income and gain requirement in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(i)(4) and shall be interpreted consistently therewith.

(iii) Qualified Income Offset. In the event any Member unexpectedly receives any adjustments, allocations or distributions described in Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(4), 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(5), or 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d)(6), items of Company gross income and gain shall be specially allocated to such Member in an amount and manner sufficient to eliminate, to the extent required by the Treasury Regulations promulgated under Section 704(b) of the Code, the deficit balance, if any, in its Adjusted Capital Account created by such adjustments, allocations or distributions as quickly as possible; *provided*, that an allocation pursuant to this <u>Section 6.1(b)(iii)</u> shall be made only if and to the extent that such Member would have a deficit balance in its Adjusted Capital Account as adjusted after all other allocations provided for in this <u>Section 6.1</u> have been tentatively made as if this <u>Section 6.1(b)(iii)</u> were not in this Agreement. This <u>Section 6.1(b)(iii)</u> is intended to constitute a "*qualified income offset*" within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(d) and shall be interpreted consistently therewith.

(iv) Gross Income Allocation. In the event any Member has a deficit balance in its Capital Account at the end of any taxable period in excess of the sum of (A) the amount such Member is required to restore pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement and (B) the amount such Member is deemed obligated to restore pursuant to Treasury Regulations Sections 1.704-2(g) and 1.704-2(i)(5), such Member shall be specially allocated items of Company gross income and gain in the amount of such excess as quickly as possible; *provided*, that an allocation pursuant to this <u>Section 6.1(b)(iv)</u> shall be made only if and to the extent that such Member would have a deficit balance in its Capital Account as adjusted after all other allocations provided for in this <u>Section 6.1(b)(iv)</u> were not in this Agreement.

(v) Nonrecourse Deductions. Nonrecourse Deductions for any taxable period shall be allocated to the Members Pro Rata. If the Managing Member determines that the Company's Nonrecourse Deductions should be allocated in a different ratio to satisfy the safe harbor requirements of the Treasury Regulations promulgated under Section 704(b) of the Code, the Managing Member is authorized, upon notice to the other Members, to revise the prescribed ratio to the numerically closest ratio that does satisfy such requirements.

(vi) Member Nonrecourse Deductions. Member Nonrecourse Deductions for any taxable period shall be allocated 100% to the Member that bears the Economic Risk of Loss with respect to the Member Nonrecourse Debt to which such Member Nonrecourse Deductions are attributable in accordance with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-2(i). If more than one Member bears the Economic Risk of Loss with respect to a Member Nonrecourse Debt, the Member Nonrecourse Deductions attributable thereto shall be allocated between or among such Member in accordance with the ratios in which they share such Economic Risk of Loss.

(vii) Nonrecourse Liabilities. For purposes of Treasury Regulations Section 1.752-3(a)(3), the Members agree that Nonrecourse Liabilities of the Managing Member in excess of the sum of (A) the amount of Company Minimum Gain and (B) the total amount of Nonrecourse Built-in Gain shall be allocated among the Members Pro Rata.

(viii) Code Section 754 Adjustments. To the extent an adjustment to the adjusted tax basis of any Company asset pursuant to Section 734(b) or 743(b) of the Code (including pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.734-2(b)(1)) is required, pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(m), to be taken into account in determining Capital Accounts, the amount of such adjustment to the Capital Accounts shall be treated as an item of gain (if the adjustment increases the basis of the asset) or loss (if the adjustment decreases such basis) taken into account pursuant to <u>Section 5.3</u>, and such item of gain or loss shall be specially allocated to the Members in a manner consistent with the manner in which their Capital Accounts are required to be adjusted pursuant to such Section of the Treasury Regulations.

(ix) Equalization of Capital Accounts. All items of income or gain recognized by the Company upon Liquidation or the sale, exchange or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company Group or any Unrealized Gain or Unrealized Loss (or to the extent necessary, items thereof) deemed recognized as a result of a Revaluation Event shall be allocated among the Members in a manner such that, after giving effect to this <u>Section 6.1(b)(ix</u>), the Capital Account balances of the Members, immediately after making such allocations, are equal to the same ratio as the Members' respective Percentage Interests.

(x) Noncompensatory Option. Any Member who has received its interest pursuant to the exercise of a Noncompensatory Option shall be allocated gain or loss or reallocated capital from other Members' Capital Accounts as necessary to comply with Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(5).

(xi) Curative Allocation.

(A) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 6.1, other than the Required Allocations, the Required Allocations shall be taken into account in making the Agreed Allocations so that, to the extent possible, the net amount of items of gross income, gain, loss, and deduction allocated to each Member pursuant to the Required Allocations and the Agreed Allocations, together, shall be equal to the net amount of such items that would have been allocated to each such Member under the Agreed Allocations had the Required Allocations and the related Curative Allocation not otherwise been provided in this Section 6.1 (b)(xi)(A), the Managing Member may take into account future Required Allocations that, although not yet made, are likely to offset other Required Allocations previously made. Allocations pursuant to this Section 6.1(b)(xi)(A) shall only be made with respect to Required Allocations to the extent the Managing Member determines that such allocations will otherwise be inconsistent with the economic agreement among the Members.

(B) The Managing Member shall, with respect to each taxable period, (1) apply the provisions of  $\underline{\text{Section 6.1(b)}(\underline{xi})(\underline{A})}$  in whatever order is most likely to minimize the economic distortions that might otherwise result from the Required Allocations, and (2) divide all allocations pursuant to  $\underline{\text{Section 6.1(b)}(\underline{xi})(\underline{A})}$  among the Members in a manner that is likely to minimize such economic distortions.

### Section 6.2 Allocations for Tax Purposes.

(a) Except as otherwise provided herein, for federal income tax purposes, each item of income, gain, loss, deduction and credit shall be allocated among the Members in the same manner as its correlative item of "book" income, gain, loss or deduction is allocated pursuant to <u>Section 6.1</u>.

(b) In an attempt to eliminate Book-Tax Disparities attributable to a Contributed Property or Adjusted Property, items of income, gain, loss, depreciation, amortization and cost recovery deductions shall be allocated for federal income tax purposes among the Members in the manner provided under Section 704(c) of the Code, and the Treasury Regulations promulgated under Section 704(b) and 704(c) of the Code using the "traditional method" set forth in Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-3(b).

(c) In accordance with Treasury Regulations Sections 1.1245-1(e) and 1.1250-1(f), any gain allocated to the Members upon the sale or other taxable disposition of any Company asset shall, to the extent possible, after taking into account other required allocations of gain pursuant to this <u>Section 6.2</u>, be characterized as Recapture Income in the same proportions and to the same extent as such Members (or their predecessors in interest) have been allocated any deductions directly or indirectly giving rise to the treatment of such gains as Recapture Income.

(d) All items of income, gain, loss, deduction and credit recognized by the Company for federal income tax purposes and allocated to the Members in accordance with the provisions hereof shall be determined without regard to any election under Section 754 of the Code that may be made by the Company; *provided, however*, that such allocations, once made, shall be adjusted (in the manner determined by the Managing Member) to take into account those adjustments permitted or required by Sections 734 and 743 of the Code.

(e) Each item of Company income, gain, loss and deduction, for federal income tax purposes, shall be determined for each taxable period and the Managing Member shall prorate and allocate such items to the Members in a manner permitted by Section 706 of the Code and the regulations and rulings promulgated thereunder.

(f) If, as a result of an exercise of a Noncompensatory Option, a Capital Account reallocation is required under Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(iv)(s)(3), the Managing Member shall make corrective allocations pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(4)(x).

### Section 6.3 Distributions to Record Holders.

(a) The Managing Member may adopt a cash distribution policy, which it may change from time to time without amendment to this Agreement.

(b) The Company will make distributions, if any, to all Record Holders of Units, Pro Rata.

(c) Notwithstanding <u>Section 6.3(b)</u>, in the event of the dissolution and liquidation of the Company, all cash received during or after the Quarter in which the Liquidation Date occurs shall be applied and distributed solely in accordance with, and subject to the terms and conditions of, <u>Section 12.4</u>.

(d) Each distribution in respect of a Unit shall be paid by the Company, directly or through any other Person or agent, only to the Record Holder of such Unit as of the Record Date set for such distribution. Such payment shall constitute full payment and satisfaction of the Company's liability in respect of such payment, regardless of any claim of any Person who may have an interest in such payment by reason of an assignment or otherwise.

## Section 6.4 Distribution as Reimbursement for Capital Expenditures.

(a) On the IPO Closing Date, the Company will distribute an amount to Energen in cash equal to the IPO Proceeds Amount as reimbursement for capital expenditures to the maximum extent permitted under Section 1.707-4(d) of the Treasury Regulations, and any amount that does not qualify under such regulation being treated as disguised sales proceeds under Section 1.707-3(a) of the Treasury Regulations, in each case, to the extent applicable

(b) On any Underwriters' Option Closing Date, the Company will distribute an amount to Energen in cash equal to the applicable Cash Option Amount (to the extent not fully reimbursed pursuant to <u>Section 6.4(a)</u>) as reimbursement for capital expenditures to the maximum extent permitted under Section 1.707-4(d) of the Treasury Regulations, and any amount that does not qualify under such regulation being treated as disguised sales proceeds under Section 1.707-3(a) of the Treasury Regulations, in each case, to the extent applicable.

## ARTICLE VII MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF BUSINESS

#### Section 7.1 Management.

(a) The business, property and affairs of the Company shall be managed under the sole, absolute and exclusive direction of the Managing Member, which may from time to time delegate authority to its officers or to others to act on behalf of the Company. Without limiting the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 7.1(a)</u>, the Managing Member shall have the sole power to manage or cause the management of the Company, including the power and authority to effectuate the sale, lease, transfer, exchange or other disposition of any, all or substantially all of the assets of the Company (including, but not limited to, the exercise or grant of any conversion, option, privilege or subscription right or any other right available in connection with any assets at any time held by the Company) or the merger, consolidation, reorganization or other combination of the Company with or into another entity. The Partnership is the initial Managing Member of the Company.

(b) No Non-Managing Member, in his or her or its capacity as such, shall participate in or have any control over the business of the Company. Except as expressly provided herein, neither the Units nor the fact of a Non-Managing Member's admission as a member of the Company confer any rights upon the Non-Managing Members to participate in the management of the affairs of the Company. Except as expressly provided herein, no Non-Managing Member shall have any right to vote on any matter involving the Company, including with respect to any merger, consolidation, combination or conversion of the Company, or any other matter that a Member might otherwise have the ability to vote or consent with respect to under the Delaware Act, at law, in equity or otherwise. The conduct, control and management of the Company shall be vested exclusively in the Managing Member. In all matters relating to or arising out of the conduct of the operation of the Company, the decision of the Managing Member shall be the decision of the Company. Except as required by law or expressly

provided in <u>Section 7.1(c)</u> or by separate agreement with the Company, no Non-Managing Member (and acting in such capacity) shall take any part in the management or control of the operation or business of the Company in its capacity as a Member, nor shall any Non-Managing Member (and acting in such capacity) have any right, authority or power to act for or on behalf of or bind the Company in his or her or its capacity as a Member in any respect or assume any obligation or responsibility of the Company or of any other Member.

(c) To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Managing Member shall have the power and authority to delegate to one or more other Persons the Managing Member's rights and powers to manage and control the business and affairs of the Company, including to delegate to officers, agents and employees of the Company, the Managing Member, its general partner, or its Affiliates (including officers), and to delegate by a management agreement or another agreement with, or otherwise to, other Persons. The Managing Member may authorize any Person (including any Member or officer) to enter into and perform any document on behalf of the Company.

(d) Without limiting the generality of <u>Section 7.1(a)-Section 7.1(c</u>), the Managing Member may appoint such officers as it shall deem necessary or advisable who shall hold their offices for such terms, shall have authority (subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the Managing Member) to sign deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments on behalf of the Company and shall exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as shall be determined from time to time by the Managing Member. Unless otherwise determined by the Managing Member, each such officer shall hold office until his or her successor is chosen and qualified. Any officer appointed by the Managing Member may be removed at any time, with or without cause, upon notice by the Managing Member. Any vacancy occurring in any office of the Company shall be filled by the Managing Member in its sole discretion. Any number of offices may be held by the same person. The current officers of the Company, each of whom has been appointed by the Managing Member, shall be the persons listed on <u>Exhibit B</u> hereto.

Section 7.2 *Replacement of Fiduciary Duties*. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, to the extent that, at law or in equity, the Managing Member or any other Indemnitee would have duties (including fiduciary duties) to the Company, to another Member, to any Person who acquires an interest in the Company or to any other Person bound by this Agreement, all such duties (including fiduciary duties) are hereby eliminated, to the fullest extent permitted by law, and replaced with the duties expressly set forth herein. The elimination of duties (including fiduciary duties) and replacement thereof with the duties expressly set forth herein are approved by the Company, each of the Members, each other Person who acquires an interest in the Company and each other Person bound by this Agreement.

## Section 7.3 Indemnification.

(a) To the fullest extent permitted by law, all Indemnitees shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, joint or several, expenses (including legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties, interest, settlements or other amounts arising from any and all threatened, pending or completed claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, and whether

formal or informal and including appeals, in which any Indemnitee may be involved, or is threatened to be involved, as a party or otherwise, by reason of its status as an Indemnitee and acting (or refraining to act) in such capacity ; *provided*, that the Indemnitee shall not be indemnified and held harmless if there has been a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter for which the Indemnitee is seeking indemnification pursuant to this Agreement, the Indemnitee acted in Bad Faith or engaged in willful misconduct or fraud or, in the case of a criminal matter, acted with knowledge that the Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful. Any indemnification pursuant to this <u>Section 7.3</u> shall be made only out of the assets of the Company, it being agreed that the Managing Member shall not be personally liable for such indemnification and shall have no obligation to contribute or loan any monies or property to the Company to enable it to effectuate such indemnification.

(b) To the fullest extent permitted by law, expenses (including legal fees and expenses) incurred by an Indemnitee who is indemnified pursuant to <u>Section 7.3(a)</u> in appearing at, participating in or defending any claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding shall, from time to time, be advanced by the Company prior to a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter for which the Indemnitee is seeking indemnification pursuant to this <u>Section 7.3</u>, the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified upon receipt by the Company of any undertaking by or on behalf of the Indemnitee to repay such amount if it shall be ultimately determined that the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified as authorized by this <u>Section 7.3</u>.

(c) The indemnification provided by this <u>Section 7.3</u> shall be in addition to any other rights to which an Indemnitee may be entitled under any agreement, pursuant to any vote of the holders of Outstanding Non-Managing Member Interests, as a matter of law, in equity or otherwise, both as to actions in the Indemnitee's capacity as an Indemnitee and as to actions in any other capacity, and shall continue as to an Indemnitee who has ceased to serve in such capacity and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors, assigns and administrators of the Indemnitee.

(d) The Company may purchase and maintain (or reimburse the Managing Member or its Affiliates for the cost of) insurance, on behalf of the Managing Member, its Affiliates, the Indemnitees and such other Persons as the Managing Member shall determine, against any liability that may be asserted against, or expense that may be incurred by, such Person in connection with the Company's activities or such Person's activities on behalf of the Company, regardless of whether the Company would have the power to indemnify such Person against such liability under the provisions of this Agreement.

(e) For purposes of this <u>Section 7.3</u>, (i) the Company shall be deemed to have requested an Indemnitee to serve as fiduciary of an employee benefit plan whenever the performance by it of its duties to the Company also imposes duties on, or otherwise involves services by, it to the plan or participants or beneficiaries of the plan; (ii) excise taxes assessed on an Indemnitee with respect to an employee benefit plan pursuant to applicable law shall constitute "fines" within the meaning of <u>Section 7.3(a)</u>; and (iii) action taken or omitted by an Indemnitee with respect to any employee benefit plan in the performance of its duties for a purpose reasonably believed by it to be in the best interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan shall be deemed to be for a purpose that is in the best interests of the Company.

(f) In no event may an Indemnitee subject the Non-Managing Members to personal liability by reason of the indemnification provisions set forth in this Agreement.

(g) An Indemnitee shall not be denied indemnification in whole or in part under this <u>Section 7.3</u> because the Indemnitee had an interest in the transaction with respect to which the indemnification applies if the transaction was otherwise permitted by the terms of this Agreement.

(h) The provisions of this <u>Section 7.3</u> are for the benefit of the Indemnitees and their heirs, successors, assigns, executors and administrators and shall not be deemed to create any rights for the benefit of any other Persons.

(i) No amendment, modification or repeal of this Section 7.3 or any provision hereof shall in any manner terminate, reduce or impair the right of any past, present or future Indemnitee to be indemnified by the Company, nor the obligations of the Company to indemnify any such Indemnitee under and in accordance with the provisions of this Section 7.3 as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted.

#### Section 7.4 Limitation of Liability of Indemnitees.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement, or under the Delaware Act or any other law, rule or regulation or at equity, no Indemnitee shall be liable for monetary damages or otherwise to the Company, to another Member, to any other Person who acquires an interest in a Membership Interest or to any other Person bound by this Agreement, for losses sustained or liabilities incurred, of any kind or character, as a result of its or any of any other Indemnitee's determinations, act(s) or omission(s) in their capacities as Indemnitees; *provided, however*, that an Indemnitee shall be liable for losses or liabilities sustained or incurred by the Company, the other Members, any other Persons who acquire an interest in a Membership Interest or any other Person bound by this Agreement, if it is determined by a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction that such losses or liabilities were the result of the conduct of that Indemnitee engaged in by it in Bad Faith or engaged in willful misconduct or fraud, or, with respect to any criminal conduct, with the knowledge that its conduct was unlawful.

(b) The Managing Member may exercise any of the powers granted to it by this Agreement and perform any of the duties imposed upon it hereunder either directly or by or through its agents, and the Managing Member shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any such agent appointed by the Managing Member if such appointment was not made in Bad Faith.

(c) To the extent that, at law or in equity, an Indemnitee has duties (including fiduciary duties) and liabilities relating thereto to the Company, to the

Members, to any Person who acquires an interest in a Membership Interest or to any other Person bound by this Agreement, the Managing Member and any other Indemnitee acting in connection with the Company's business or affairs shall not be liable to the Company, to any Member, to any Person who acquires an interest in a Membership Interest or to any other Person bound by this Agreement for its reliance on the provisions of this Agreement.

(d) Any amendment, modification or repeal of this <u>Section 7.4</u> or any provision hereof shall be prospective only and shall not in any way affect the limitations on the liability of the Indemnitees under this <u>Section 7.4</u> as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted.

### Section 7.5 Resolution of Conflicts of Interest; Standards of Conduct and Modification of Duties.

(a) Whenever the Managing Member, acting in its capacity as the managing member of the Company, or any Affiliate of the Managing Member makes a determination or takes or omits to take any action in such capacity, whether or not under this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement or any other agreement contemplated hereby, then, unless another lesser standard is provided for in this Agreement, the Managing Member or such Affiliate shall make such determination, or take or omit to take such action, in Good Faith. The foregoing and other lesser standards provided for in this Agreement are the sole and exclusive standards governing any such determinations, actions and omissions of the Managing Member and any Affiliate of the Managing Member and no such Person shall be subject to any fiduciary duty or other duty or obligation, or any other, different or higher standard (all of which duties, obligations and standards are hereby waived and disclaimed), under this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement or any other agreement contemplated hereby, or under the Delaware Act or any other law, rule or regulation or at equity. Any such determination, action or omission by the Managing Member or of any Affiliate of the Managing Member will for all purposes be presumed to have been in Good Faith. In any proceeding brought by or on behalf of the Company, any Member, or any other Person who acquires an interest in the Company or any other Person who is bound by this Agreement, challenging such determination, act or omission, the Person bringing or prosecuting such proceeding shall have the burden of proving that such determination, action or omission was not in Good Faith. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or any duty otherwise existing at law or equity, the existence of the conflicts of interest described in the IPO Registration Statement are hereby approved by all Members and shall not constitute a breach of this Agreement or any such duty.

(b) Whenever the Managing Member makes a determination or takes or omits to take any action, or any Affiliate of the Managing Member causes the Managing Member to do so, not acting in its capacity as the managing member of the Company, whether or not under this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement or any other agreement contemplated hereby, then the Managing Member, or such Affiliate causing it to do so, are entitled, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to make such determination or to take or omit to take such action free of any fiduciary duty or duty of Good Faith or other duty or obligation existing at law, in equity or otherwise

whatsoever to the Company, to another Member, to any Person who acquires an interest in the Company or to any other Person bound by this Agreement, and the Managing Member or such Affiliate causing it to do so, shall not, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be required to act in Good Faith or pursuant to any fiduciary or other duty or standard imposed by this Agreement, any Group Member Agreement, any other agreement contemplated hereby or under the Delaware Act or any other law, rule or regulation or at equity.

(c) For purposes of Section 7.5(a) and Section 7.5(b) of this Agreement, "acting in its capacity as the managing member of the Company" means and is solely limited to, the Managing Member exercising its authority as a managing member under this Agreement, other than when it is "acting in its individual capacity." For purposes of this Agreement, "acting in its individual capacity" means: (i) any action by the Managing Member or its Affiliates other than through the exercise of the Managing Member of its authority as a managing member under this Agreement; and (ii) any action or inaction by the Managing Member by the exercise (or failure to exercise) of its rights, powers or authority under this Agreement that are modified by: (A) the phrase "at the option of the Managing Member," (B) the phrase "in its sole discretion" or "in its discretion" or (iii) some variation of the phrases set forth in clauses (i) and (ii). For the avoidance of doubt, whenever the Managing Member votes, acquires Membership Interests or transfers its Membership Interests, or refrains from voting or transferring its Membership Interests, it shall be and be deemed to be "acting in its individual capacity."

(d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Managing Member and its Affiliates or any other Indemnitee shall have no duty or obligation, express or implied, to (i) sell or otherwise dispose of any asset of the Company Group or (ii) permit any Group Member to use any facilities or assets of the Managing Member and its Affiliates, except as may be provided in contracts entered into from time to time specifically dealing with such use. Any determination by the Managing Member or any of its Affiliates to enter into such contracts or transactions shall be in its sole discretion.

(e) The Members and each Person who acquires an interest in the Company or is otherwise bound by this Agreement hereby authorize the Managing Member, on behalf of the Company as a partner or member of a Group Member, to approve actions by the general partner or managing member of such Group Member similar to those actions permitted to be taken by the Managing Member pursuant to this <u>Section 7.5</u>.

(f) For the avoidance of doubt, whenever the Managing Member or any Affiliate of the Managing Member makes a determination on behalf of the Managing Member, or cause the Managing Member to take or omit to take any action, whether in the Managing Member's capacity as the Managing Member or in its individual capacity, the standards of care applicable to the Managing Member shall apply to such Persons, and such Persons shall be entitled to all benefits and rights of the Managing Member hereunder, including waivers and modifications of duties, protections and presumptions, as if such Persons were the Managing Member hereunder.

Section 7.6 Other Matters Concerning the Managing Member.

(a) The Managing Member may rely, and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon, any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, consent, order, bond, debenture or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties.

(b) The Managing Member may consult with legal counsel, accountants, appraisers, management consultants, investment bankers and other consultants and advisers selected by it, and any act taken or omitted to be taken in reliance upon the advice or opinion of such Persons as to matters that the Managing Member reasonably believes to be within such Person's professional or expert competence shall be conclusively presumed to have been done or omitted in Good Faith and in accordance with such advice or opinion.

(c) The Managing Member shall have the right, in respect of any of its powers or obligations hereunder, to act through any of its, the General Partner's or the Company's duly authorized officers, a duly appointed attorney or attorneys-in-fact.

Section 7.7 *Reliance by Third Parties.* Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, any Person dealing with the Company shall be entitled to assume that the Managing Member and any officer of the Company or of the General Partner has full power and authority to encumber, sell or otherwise use in any manner any and all assets of the Company and to enter into any authorized contracts on behalf of the Company, and such Person shall be entitled to deal with the Managing Member or any such officer as if it were the Company's sole party in interest, both legally and beneficially. Each Non-Managing Member, each other Person who acquires an interest in a Membership Interest and each other party who becomes bound by this Agreement hereby waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any and all defenses or other remedies that may be available against such Person dealing with the Managing Member or any such officer or its representatives be obligated to ascertain that the terms of this Agreement have been complied with or to inquire into the necessity or expedience of any act or action of the Managing Member or any such officer or its representatives. Each and every certificate, document or other instrument executed on behalf of the Company by the Managing Member or its representatives shall be conclusive evidence in favor of any and every Person relying thereon or claiming thereunder that (a) at the time of the execution and delivery of such certificate, document or instrument, this Agreement was in full force and effect, (b) the Person executing and delivering such certificate, document or instrument was duly authorized and empowered to do so for and on behalf of the Company and (c) such certificate, document or instrument was duly eexecuted and delivered in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement and is binding upon the Company.

### ARTICLE VIII BOOKS, RECORDS, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTS

Section 8.1 *Records and Accounting.* The Managing Member shall keep or cause to be kept at the principal office of the Company appropriate books and records with respect to the Company's business. Any books and records maintained by or on behalf of the Company in the regular course of its business, including the record of the Record Holder of Units or other

Membership Interests, books of account and records of Company proceedings, may be kept on, or be in the form of, computer disks, hard drives, magnetic tape, photographs, micrographics or any other information storage device; *provided*, that the books and records so maintained are convertible into clearly legible written form within a reasonable period of time. The books of the Company shall be maintained, for financial reporting purposes, on an accrual basis in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Section 8.2 *Fiscal Year*. The fiscal year of the Company shall be a fiscal year ending December 31.

Section 8.3 *Reports.* The Managing Member shall cause to be prepared and delivered to the Members such reports, forecasts, studies, budgets and other information as the Members may reasonably request from time to time.

# ARTICLE IX TAX MATTERS

Section 9.1 *Tax Returns and Information*. The Company shall timely file all returns of the Company that are required for federal, state and local income tax purposes on the basis of the taxable period or year that it is required by law to adopt, from time to time, as determined by the Managing Member. In the event the Company is required to use a taxable period other than a year ending on December 31, the Managing Member shall use reasonable efforts to change the taxable period of the Company to a year ending on December 31. The tax information reasonably required by Members for federal and state income tax reporting purposes with respect to a taxable period shall be furnished to them within 90 days of the close of the calendar year in which the Company's taxable period ends. In addition, the Company shall furnish to each Non-Managing Member any additional tax information reasonably requested by such Non-Managing Member in order to comply with its organizational documents, including additional detail regarding the source of any items of income, gain, loss, deduction, or credit allocated to such Non-Managing Member to the extent not otherwise reflected in the information provided to the Members under the preceding sentence.

Section 9.2 *Tax Characterization*. Unless otherwise determined by the Managing Member, the Company shall be treated as a partnership and not as an association taxable as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes and as a continuation of Rattler Midstream LP solely for U.S. federal income tax purposes under Section 708 of the Code. The Members and the Company shall not take any action that would cause the Company to be treated as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes (as well as for any analogous state or local tax purposes) and shall file all tax returns consistent with the tax characterization set forth in this <u>Section 9.2</u>.

## Section 9.3 Tax Elections.

(a) The Company shall make the election under Section 754 of the Code in accordance with applicable regulations thereunder, subject to the reservation of the right to seek to revoke any such election upon the Managing Member's determination that such revocation is in the best interests of the Non-Managing Members.

(b) Except as otherwise provided herein, the Managing Member shall determine whether the Company should make any other elections permitted by the Code.

## Section 9.4 Tax Controversies.

(a) Subject to the provisions hereof, the Managing Member is designated as the "partnership representative" as defined in Section 6223 of the Code (the "*Partnership Representative*"). The Partnership Representative shall designate from time to time a "designated individual" to act on behalf of the Partnership Representative, and such designated individual shall be subject to replacement by the Partnership Representative in accordance with the Code and Treasury Regulations.

(b) The Partnership Representative shall give prompt written notice to the other Members of any and all notices it receives from the Internal Revenue Service or any other taxing authority concerning the tax matters of the Company. The Company shall reimburse the Partnership Representative for any expenses that the Partnership Representative incurs in connection with its obligations as Partnership Representative. The Partnership Representative shall not agree to extend the statute of limitations with respect to partnership level audit item which would be binding on the other Member in computing its liability for taxes (or interest, penalties or additions to tax) without the consent of the other Members. The Partnership Representative shall not be liable to the Company or the Members for acts or omissions taken or suffered by it in its capacity as the Partnership Representative, as the case may be, in good faith; *provided* that such act or omission is not in willful violation of this Agreement and does not constitute gross negligence, fraud or a willful violation of law.

(c) The Partnership Representative may cause the Company to, with the consent of the Members, make the election under Section 6221(b) of the Code with respect to determinations of adjustments at the partnership level and take any other action such as filings, disclosures and notifications necessary to effectuate such election for each year for which the election may be made. If the election described in the preceding sentence is not available and to the extent applicable, if the Company receives a notice of final partnership adjustment as described in Section 6226 of the Code the Partnership Representative may, with the consent of the Members, cause the Company to make the election under Section 6226(a) of the Code with respect to the alternative to payment of imputed underpayment by the Company and take other action such as filings, disclosures and notifications necessary to effectuate such election. If the election under Section 6226(a) is not made, then the Company shall make any payment required pursuant to Section 6225 and the Members shall have the obligations set forth in <u>Section 9.5</u>. The Members shall reasonably cooperate with the Company and the Partnership Representative, and undertake any action reasonably requested by the Company, in connection with any elections made by the Partnership Representative or as determined to be reasonably necessary by the Partnership Representative.

### Section 9.5 Withholding.

(a) If taxes and related interest, penalties or additions to taxes are paid by the Company on behalf of all or less than all the Members or former Members, including, without limitation, any payment by the Company of an imputed underpayment under Section 6225 of the Code, the Managing Member may treat such payment as a distribution of cash to such Members, treat such payment as a general expense of the Company, or require that persons who were Members of the Company

in the taxable year to which the payment relates (including former Members) indemnify the Company upon request for their allocable share of that payment, in each case as determined appropriate under the circumstances by the Managing Member. The amount of any such indemnification obligation of, or deemed distribution of cash to, a Member or former Member in respect of an imputed underpayment under Section 6225 of the Code shall be reduced to the extent that the Company receives a reduction in the amount of the imputed underpayment under Section 6225(c) of the Code which, in the determination of the Managing Member, is attributable to actions taken by, the tax status or attributes of, or tax information provided by or attributable to, such Managing Member or former Member pursuant to or described in Section 6225(c) of the Code.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Managing Member is authorized to take any action determined, in its discretion, to be necessary or appropriate to cause the Company and other Group Members to comply with any withholding requirements established under the Code or any other federal, state or local law including pursuant to Sections 1441, 1442, 1445 and 1446 of the Code. To the extent that the Company is required or elects to withhold and pay over to any taxing authority any amount resulting from the allocation of distribution of income or from a distribution to any Member (including by reason of Section 1446 of the Code), the amount withheld may at the discretion of the Managing Member be treated by the Company as a distribution of cash pursuant to <u>Section 6.3</u> or <u>Section 12.3(c)</u> in the amount of such withholding from such Member.

Section 9.6 *Disqualified Person*. No Member will become a Disqualified Person.

### ARTICLE X ADMISSION OF MEMBERS

Section 10.1 Admission of New Members.

(a) Upon the issuance by the Company of Units to Energen and the Managing Member on the IPO Closing Date, such Persons shall, by acceptance of such Membership Interests, and upon becoming the Record Holders of such Membership Interests, be admitted to the Company as Members in respect of the Units issued to them and be bound by this Agreement, all with or without execution of this Agreement by such Persons.

(b) Without the consent of any other Person, the Managing Member shall have the right to admit as a Member, any Person who acquires an interest in the Company, or any part thereof, from a Member or from the Company. Concurrently with the admission of such Member, the Managing Member shall forthwith (a) amend <u>EXHIBIT A</u> hereto to reflect the name and address of such new Member and to eliminate or modify, as applicable, the name and address of the transferring Member with regard to the transferred Units and (b) cause any necessary papers to be filed and recorded and notice to be given wherever and to the extent required showing the substitution of a transferee as a Member in place of the transferring Member, or the admission of a Member, in each case, at the expense, including payment of any professional and filing fees incurred, of such Member.

Section 10.2 *Conditions and Limitations.* The admission of any Person as a Member shall be conditioned upon such Person's written acceptance and adoption of all the terms and

provisions of this Agreement by execution and delivery of the Adoption Agreement in the form attached hereto as <u>EXHIBIT C</u> or such other written instrument(s) in form and substance satisfactory to the Managing Member on behalf of the Company.

# ARTICLE XI WITHDRAWAL OR REMOVAL OF MEMBERS

Section 11.1 *Member Withdrawal*. No Member shall have the power or right to withdraw or otherwise resign or be expelled from the Company prior to the dissolution and winding up of the Company, except pursuant to a transfer in accordance with <u>Section 4.4</u>.

Section 11.2 *Removal of the Managing Member.* The Managing Member may not be removed as the managing member of the Company unless the General Partner is removed as a general partner of the Managing Member in accordance with the Partnership Agreement. The removal of the Managing Member as the managing member of the Company shall also automatically constitute the removal of the Managing Member as general partner or managing member, to the extent applicable, of the other Group Members of which the Managing Member is a general partner or a managing member. If a Person is elected as a successor Managing Member in accordance with the terms of this <u>Section 11.2</u>, such Person shall automatically become a successor general partner or managing member, to the extent applicable, of the other Group Members of which the Managing Member is a general partner or managing member, to the extent applicable, of the other Group Members of which the Managing Member is a general partner or a managing member.

# ARTICLE XII DISSOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION

Section 12.1 *Dissolution*. The Company shall not be dissolved by the admission of additional Non-Managing Members or by the admission of a successor Managing Member in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. The Company shall dissolve, and (subject to <u>Section 12.2</u>) its affairs shall be wound up, upon:

- (a) an election to dissolve the Company by the Managing Member;
- (b) the entry of a decree of judicial dissolution of the Company pursuant to the provisions of the Delaware Act; or
- (c) at any time there are no Members, unless the Company is continued without dissolution in accordance with the Delaware Act.

Section 12.2 *Liquidator*. Upon dissolution of the Company in accordance with the provisions of this <u>Article XII</u>, the Managing Member shall select one or more Persons to act as Liquidator. The Liquidator (if other than the Managing Member) shall be entitled to receive such compensation for its services as may be approved by the Managing Member. The Liquidator (if other than the Managing Member) shall agree not to resign at any time without 15 days' prior notice and may be removed at any time, with or without cause, by the Managing Member. Upon dissolution, removal or resignation of the Liquidator, a successor and substitute Liquidator (who shall have and succeed to all rights, powers and duties of the original Liquidator) shall within 30 days thereafter be selected by the Managing Member. The right to select a successor or substitute Liquidator in the manner provided herein shall be deemed to refer also to any such successor or substitute Liquidator approved in the manner herein provided. Except as expressly provided in this <u>Article XII</u>, the Liquidator selected in the manner provided herein shall have and may exercise, without further authorization or consent

of any of the parties hereto, all of the powers conferred upon the Managing Member under the terms of this Agreement (but subject to all of the applicable limitations, contractual and otherwise, upon the exercise of such powers) necessary or appropriate to carry out the duties and functions of the Liquidator hereunder for and during the period of time required to complete the winding up and liquidation of the Company as provided for herein.

Section 12.3 *Liquidation*. The Liquidator shall proceed to dispose of the assets of the Company, discharge its liabilities, and otherwise wind up its affairs in such manner and over such period as determined by the Liquidator, subject to Section 18-804 of the Delaware Act and the following:

(a) The assets may be disposed of by public or private sale or by distribution in kind to one or more Members on such terms as the Liquidator and such Member or Members may agree. If any property is distributed in kind, the Member receiving the property shall be deemed for purposes of <u>Section 12.3(c)</u> to have received cash equal to its Net Agreed Value; and contemporaneously therewith, appropriate cash distributions must be made to the other Members. The Liquidator may defer liquidation or distribution of the Company's assets for a reasonable time if it determines that an immediate sale or distribution of all or some of the Company's assets would be impractical or would cause undue loss to the Members. The Liquidator may distribute the Company's assets, in whole or in part, in kind if it determines that a sale would be impractical or would cause undue loss to the Members.

(b) Liabilities of the Company include amounts owed to the Liquidator as compensation for serving in such capacity (subject to the terms of <u>Section 12.2</u>) and amounts to Members otherwise than in respect of their distribution rights under <u>Article VI</u>. With respect to any liability that is contingent, conditional or unmatured or is otherwise not yet due and payable, the Liquidator shall either settle such claim for such amount as it thinks appropriate or establish a reserve of cash or other assets to provide for its payment. When paid, any unused portion of the reserve shall be distributed as additional liquidation proceeds.

(c) All property and all cash in excess of that required to satisfy or discharge liabilities as provided in <u>Section 12.3(b)</u> shall be distributed to the Members in accordance with, and to the extent of, the positive balances in their respective Capital Accounts, as determined after taking into account all Capital Account adjustments (other than those made by reason of distributions pursuant to this <u>Section 12.3(c)</u>) for the taxable period of the Company during which the liquidation of the Company occurs (with such date of occurrence being determined pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(g)), and such distribution shall be made by the end of such taxable period (or, if later, within 90 days after said date of such occurrence).

Section 12.4 *Cancellation of Certificate of Formation*. Upon the completion of the distribution of Company cash and property as provided in <u>Section 12.3</u> in connection with the liquidation of the Company, the Certificate of Formation and all qualifications of the Company as a foreign limited liability company in jurisdictions other than the State of Delaware shall be canceled and such other actions as may be necessary to terminate the Company shall be taken.

Section 12.5 *Return of Contributions.* The Managing Member shall not be personally liable for, and shall have no obligation to contribute or loan any monies or property to the Company to enable it to effectuate, the return of the Capital Contributions of the Members or Unitholders, or any portion thereof, it being expressly understood that any such return shall be made solely from assets of the Company.

Section 12.6 *Waiver of Partition.* To the maximum extent permitted by law, each Member hereby waives any right to partition of the Company property.

Section 12.7 *Capital Account Restoration*. No Non-Managing Member shall have any obligation to restore any negative balance in its Capital Account upon liquidation of the Company. The Managing Member shall be obligated to restore any negative balance in its Capital Account upon liquidation of its interest in the Company by the end of the taxable year of the Company during which such liquidation occurs, or, if later, within 90 days after the date of such liquidation.

# ARTICLE XIII AMENDMENT OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT

Section 13.1 *Amendments*. This Agreement may be amended, supplemented, waived or modified by the written consent of the Managing Member in its sole discretion without the approval of any other Member or other Person; *provided* that except as otherwise provided herein, no amendment may modify the limited liability of any Member, or increase the liabilities or obligations of any Member, in each case, without the consent of each such affected Member. Any amendment to this Agreement may be implemented and reflected in a writing executed solely by the Managing Member, and the Non-Managing Member(s) shall be deemed a party to and bound by such amendment.

### ARTICLE XIV GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 14.1 Addresses and Notices; Written Communications.

(a) Any notice, demand, request, report or proxy materials required or permitted to be given or made to the Members under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed given or made when delivered in person or when sent by first class United States mail or by other means of written communication to the Members at the address described below. Any notice, payment or report to be given or made to the Members hereunder shall be deemed conclusively to have been given or made, and the obligation to give such notice or report or to make such payment shall be deemed conclusively to have been fully satisfied, upon sending of such notice, payment or report to the Record Holder of such Membership Interests at his address as shown in the records of the Company, regardless of any claim of any Person who may have an interest in such Membership Interests by reason of any assignment or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if (i) the Members shall consent to receiving notices, demands, request, reports or proxy materials via electronic mail or by the Internet or (ii) the rules of the Commission shall permit any report or proxy materials to be delivered electronically or made available via such mode of delivery. An affidavit or certificate of making of any notice, payment or report in accordance with the provisions of this <u>Section 14.1(a)</u> executed by the Managing Member or the mailing organization shall be prima facie evidence of the giving or making of such notice, payment or report. If any notice, payment or report given or made in accordance with the provisions of this

<u>Section 14.1(a)</u> is returned marked to indicate that such notice, payment or report was unable to be delivered, such notice, payment or report and, in the case of notices, payments or reports returned by the United States Postal Service (or other physical mail delivery mail service outside the United States of America), any subsequent notices, payments and reports shall be deemed to have been duly given or made without further mailing (until such time as such Record Holder or another Person notifies the Company of a change in his address) or other delivery if they are available for the Member at the principal office of the Company for a period of one year from the date of the giving or making of such notice, payment or report to the other Members. Any notice to the Company shall be deemed given if received by the Managing Member at the principal office of the Company shall be deemed given if received by the Managing Member at the principal office or other 2.3. The Managing Member may rely and shall be protected in relying on any notice or other document from any Member or other Person if believed by it to be genuine.

(b) The terms "in writing," "written communications," "written notice" and words of similar import shall be deemed satisfied under this Agreement by use of e-mail and other forms of electronic communication.

Section 14.2 *Further Action*. The parties shall execute and deliver all documents, provide all information and take or refrain from taking action as may be necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of this Agreement.

Section 14.3 *Binding Effect.* This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, legal representatives and permitted assigns.

Section 14.4 *Integration*. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement among the parties hereto pertaining to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings pertaining thereto.

Section 14.5 *Creditors*. None of the provisions of this Agreement shall be for the benefit of, or shall be enforceable by, any creditor of the Company.

Section 14.6 *Waiver*. No failure by any party to insist upon the strict performance of any covenant, duty, agreement or condition of this Agreement or to exercise any right or remedy consequent upon a breach thereof shall constitute waiver of any such breach of any other covenant, duty, agreement or condition.

Section 14.7 *Counterparts.* This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, all of which together shall constitute an agreement binding on all the parties hereto, notwithstanding that all such parties are not signatories to the original or the same counterpart.

Section 14.8 Applicable Law; Forum; Venue and Jurisdiction; Waiver of Trial by Jury; Attorney Fees.

(a) This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law.

(b) Each of the Members and each Person holding any beneficial interest in the Company (whether through a broker, dealer, bank, trust company or clearing corporation or an agent of any of the foregoing or otherwise):

(i) irrevocably agrees that any claims, suits, actions or proceedings (A) arising out of or relating in any way to this Agreement (including any claims, suits or actions to interpret, apply or enforce the provisions of this Agreement or the duties, obligations or liabilities among Members or of Members to the Company, or the rights or powers of, or restrictions on, the Members or the Company), (B) brought in a derivative manner on behalf of the Company, (C) asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary or other duty owed by any director, officer, or other employee of the Company or the General Partner, or owed by the Managing Member, to the Company or the Non-Managing Members, (D) asserting a claim arising pursuant to any provision of the Delaware Act or (E) asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine shall be exclusively brought in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or, if such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction thereof, any other court located in the State of Delaware with subject matter jurisdiction), in each case regardless of whether such claims, suits, actions or proceedings sound in contract, tort, fraud or otherwise, are based on common law, statutory, equitable, legal or other grounds, or are derivative or direct claims;

(ii) irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or, if such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction thereof, any other court located in the State of Delaware with subject matter jurisdiction) in connection with any such claim, suit, action or proceeding;

(iii) agrees not to, and waives any right to, assert in any such claim, suit, action or proceeding that (A) it is not personally subject to the jurisdiction of the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware or of any other court to which proceedings in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware may be appealed, (B) such claim, suit, action or proceeding is brought in an inconvenient forum, or (C) the venue of such claim, suit, action or proceeding is improper;

(iv) expressly waives any requirement for the posting of a bond by a party bringing such claim, suit, action or proceeding;

(v) consents to process being served in any such claim, suit, action or proceeding by mailing, certified mail, return receipt requested, a copy thereof to such party at the address in effect for notices hereunder, and agrees that such services shall constitute good and sufficient service of process and notice thereof; *provided*, nothing in this clause (v) shall affect or limit any right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law;

(vi) IRREVOCABLY WAIVES THE RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY SUCH CLAIM, SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING; and

(vii) agrees that if such Member or Person does not obtain a judgment on the merits that substantially achieves, in substance and amount, the full remedy sought in any such claim, suit, action or proceeding, then such Member or Person shall be obligated to reimburse the Company and its Affiliates for all fees, costs and expenses of every kind and description, including but not limited to all reasonable attorneys' fees and other litigation expenses, that the parties may incur in connection with such claim, suit, action or proceeding.

Section 14.9 *Invalidity of Provisions*. If any provision or part of a provision of this Agreement is or becomes for any reason, invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions and part thereof contained herein shall not be affected thereby and this Agreement shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be reformed and construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision, or part of a provision, had never been contained herein, and such provision or part reformed so that it would be valid, legal and enforceable to the maximum extent possible.

Section 14.10 *Consent of Members*. Each Member hereby expressly consents and agrees that, whenever in this Agreement it is specified that an action may be taken upon the affirmative vote or consent of less than all of the Members, such action may be so taken upon the concurrence of less than all of the Members and each Member shall be bound by the results of such action.

Section 14.11 *Facsimile and Email Signatures.* The use of facsimile signatures and signatures delivered by email in portable document format (.pdf) or similar format affixed in the name and on behalf of the Company on certificates representing Membership Interests is expressly permitted by this Agreement.

Section 14.12 *Third-Party Beneficiaries*. Each Member agrees that any Indemnitee shall be entitled to assert rights and remedies hereunder as a third-party beneficiary hereto with respect to those provisions of this Agreement affording a right, benefit or privilege to such Indemnitee.

[Signature page follows.]

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

# **Rattler Midstream LP**

By: Rattler Midstream GP LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

Name: Teresa L. Dick Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

# **Energen Resources Corporation**

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

Name: Teresa L. Dick Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Assistant Secretary

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# EXHIBIT A

# Unitholders

Name	Address	Number of Units
Rattler Midstream LP	500 West Texas Ave., Suite 1200	
	Midland, TX 79701	38,000,000
Energen Resources Corporation	500 West Texas Ave., Suite 1200	
	Midland, TX 79701	107,815,152

# EXHIBIT B

# Officers

Travis D. Stice	Chief Executive Officer
Matthew Kaes Van't Hof	President
Teresa L. Dick	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary
P. Matt Zmigrosky	Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel

# EXHIBIT C

#### **Adoption Agreement**

This Adoption Agreement is executed by the undersigned pursuant to the Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler Midstream Operating LLC (the "*Company*"), dated as of May 28, 2019, as amended, restated or supplemented from time to time, a copy of which is attached hereto and is incorporated herein by reference (the "*Agreement*"). By the execution of this Adoption Agreement, the undersigned agrees as follows:

- 1. <u>Acknowledgment</u>. The undersigned acknowledges that he/she is acquiring [ ] Units of the Company as a Member, subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement (including the Exhibits thereto), as amended from time to time. Capitalized terms used herein without definition are defined in the Agreement and are used herein with the same meanings set forth therein.
- 2. <u>Agreement</u>. The undersigned hereby joins in, and agrees to be bound by, subject to, and enjoy the benefit of the applicable rights set forth in, the Agreement (including the Exhibits thereto), as amended from time to time, with the same force and effect as if he/she were originally a party thereto.
- 3. <u>Notice</u>. Any notice required or permitted by the Agreement shall be given to the undersigned at the address listed below.

EXECUTED AND DATED on this day of , 20 .

[NAME]

By: Name: Title:

Notice Address:

Facsimile:

# SCHEDULE 5.3(a)

# **Capital Account Balance**

<u>Member</u> Rattler Midstream LP Energen Resources Corporation 
 Capital Account Balance

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 665,000,000

 \$
 1,886,765,160

# FIRST AMENDED AND RESTATED

# LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT

OF

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM GP LLC

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## FIRST AMENDED AND RESTATED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT OF RATTLER MIDSTREAM GP LLC

This First Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler Midstream GP LLC (the "*Company*"), dated as of May 28, 2019, is entered into by Diamondback Energy, Inc., a Delaware Corporation ("*Diamondback*"), as sole member of the Company as of the date hereof (in such capacity, the "*Sole Member*").

### **RECITALS**:

**WHEREAS**, the Company was previously governed by that certain Limited Liability Company Agreement (the "*Original LLC Agreement*") dated as of July 27, 2018.

**WHEREAS**, Diamondback now desires to amend and restate the Original LLC Agreement in its entirety by executing this First Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement.

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the covenants, conditions and agreements contained herein, the Sole Member hereby enters into this Agreement:

# ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be for all purposes, unless otherwise clearly indicated to the contrary, applied to the terms used in this Agreement.

"Act" means the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, 6 Del. C. § 18-101, et seq., as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries controls, is controlled by or is under common control with, the Person in question. As used herein, the term "control" means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

"*Agreement*" means this First Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler Midstream GP LLC, as it may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time. The Agreement constitutes a "limited liability company agreement" as such term is defined in the Act.

"Board" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.1.

"Capital Contribution" means any cash, cash equivalents or the value of Contributed Property contributed to the Company.

"*Certificate of Formation*" means the Certificate of Formation of the Company filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware as referenced in <u>Section 2.1</u>, as such Certificate of Formation may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"Chairman" has the meaning assigned to such term in <u>Section 5.2(d)</u>.

"Company" means Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and any successors thereto.

"Company Group" means the Company and any Subsidiary of the Company, treated as a single consolidated entity.

"*Contributed Property*" means each property or other asset, in such form as may be permitted by the Act, but excluding cash, contributed to the Company.

"Diamondback" has the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.

"*Directors*" has the meaning assigned to such term in <u>Section 5.1</u>.

"Group Member" means a member of the Company Group.

"*Indemnitee*" means (a) the Sole Member; (b) any Person who is or was an Affiliate of the Company; (c) any Person who is or was a manager, managing member, member, partner, director, officer, employee, agent, fiduciary or trustee of the Company, any Group Member or the Partnership; (d) any Person who is or was serving at the request of the Sole Member or any of its Affiliates as a manager, managing member, member, partner, director, officer, employee, agent, fiduciary or trustee of another Person owing a fiduciary or similar duty to any Group Member, in each case, acting in such capacity, *provided*, that a Person shall not be an Indemnitee by reason of providing, on a fee-for-services basis, trustee, fiduciary or custodial services; and (e) any Person the Company designates as an "Indemnitee" for purposes of this Agreement.

"Independent Director" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.2(c)(ii).

"Initial Public Offering" means the initial offering and sale of common units representing limited partner interests in the Partnership to the public.

"*Membership Interest*" means all of the Sole Member's rights and interest in the Company in the Sole Member's capacity as the Sole Member, all as provided in the Certificate of Formation, this Agreement and the Act.

"Officers" has the meaning given to such term in <u>Section 6.1(a)</u>.

"Partnership" means Rattler Midstream LP.

"*Partnership Agreement*" means the First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership, as it may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"*Partnership Interest*" means an interest in the Partnership, which shall include any general partner interest and limited partner interests but shall exclude any options, rights, warrants and appreciation rights relating to an equity interest in the Partnership.

"*Person*" means an individual or a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, unincorporated organization, association, government agency or political subdivision thereof or other entity.

"Sole Member" has the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.

"*Subsidiary*" means, with respect to any Person, (a) a corporation of which more than 50% of the voting power of shares entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors or other governing body of such corporation is owned, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, by such Person, by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or a combination thereof, (b) a partnership (whether general or limited) in which such Person or a Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, use partnership, but only if such Person, directly or by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, controls such partnership, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination or (c) any other Person in which such Person, one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, has (i) at least a majority ownership interest or (ii) the power to elect or direct the election of a majority of the directors or other governing body of such Person.

#### Section 1.2 Construction.

(a) Unless the context requires otherwise: (i) capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Partnership Agreement; (ii) any pronoun used in this Agreement shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine or neuter forms; (iii) references to Articles and Sections refer to Articles and Sections of this Agreement; and (iv) the term "include" or "includes" means includes, without limitation, and "including" means including, without limitation.

(b) A reference to any Person includes such Person's successors and permitted assigns.

### ARTICLE II ORGANIZATION

#### Section 2.1 Formation.

On July 27, 2018, Diamondback formed the Company as a limited liability company pursuant to the provisions of the Act by virtue of the filing of the Certificate of Formation with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

#### Section 2.2 Name.

The name of the Company shall be "Rattler Midstream GP LLC." The Company's business may be conducted under any other name or names deemed necessary or appropriate by the Board in its discretion, including, if consented to by the Board, the name of the Partnership. The words "Limited Liability Company," "L.L.C." or "LLC" or similar words or letters shall be included in the Company's name where necessary for the purpose of complying with the laws of any jurisdiction that so requires. The Board in its discretion may change the name of the Company at any time and from time to time and shall promptly notify the Sole Member of such change.

#### Section 2.3 Registered Office; Registered Agent; Principal Office; Other Offices.

Unless and until changed by the Board, the registered office of the Company in the State of Delaware shall be located at Corporation Service Company, 251 Little Falls Drive, Wilmington, Delaware 19808, and the registered agent for service of process on the Company in the State of Delaware at such registered office shall be Corporation Service Company. The principal office of the Company shall be located at 500 West Texas, Suite 1200, Midland, Texas 79701, or such other place as the Board may from time to time designate. The Company may maintain offices at such other place or places within or outside the State of Delaware as the Board deems necessary or appropriate.

## Section 2.4 Purpose and Business.

The purpose and nature of the business to be conducted by the Company shall be to (a) serve as the general partner of the Partnership and, in connection therewith, to exercise all rights conferred upon the Company as the general partner of the Partnership in accordance with the Partnership Agreement; (b) engage directly in, or enter into or form any corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company or other arrangement to engage indirectly in, any business activity that the Company is permitted to engage in and, in connection therewith, to exercise all of the rights and powers conferred upon the Company or other arrangement to engage indirectly in, any business activity that is approved by the Sole Member and that lawfully may be conducted by a limited liability company organized pursuant to the Act and, in connection therewith, to exercise all of the rights and powers conferred upon the Company pursuant to the agreements relating to such business activity; (d) guarantee, mortgage, pledge or encumber any or all of its assets in connection with any indebtedness of any Affiliate of the Company and (e) do anything necessary or appropriate to the foregoing, including the making of capital contributions or loans to a Group Member, the Partnership or any Subsidiary of the Partnership.

#### Section 2.5 Powers.

The Company shall be empowered to do any and all acts and things necessary, appropriate, proper, advisable, incidental to or convenient for the furtherance and accomplishment of the purposes and business described in <u>Section 2.4</u> and for the protection and benefit of the Company.

#### Section 2.6 Term.

The term of the Company commenced upon the filing of the Certificate of Formation in accordance with the Act and shall continue in existence in perpetuity or until the dissolution of the Company in accordance with the provisions of <u>Article VIII</u>. The existence of the Company as a separate legal entity shall continue until the cancellation of the Certificate of Formation as provided in the Act.

#### Section 2.7 Title to Company Assets.

Title to Company assets, whether real, personal or mixed and whether tangible or intangible, shall be deemed to be owned by the Company as an entity, and the Sole Member shall not have any ownership interest in such Company assets or any portion thereof.

#### ARTICLE III RIGHTS OF SOLE MEMBER

Section 3.1 Voting.

Unless otherwise granted to the Board by this Agreement, the Sole Member shall possess the entire voting interest in all matters relating to the Company, including the matters set forth in <u>Section 5.6(b)</u> and <u>5.6(c)</u>.

#### Section 3.2 Distributions.

Distributions by the Company of cash or other property shall be made to the Sole Member at such time as the Sole Member deems appropriate.

#### ARTICLE IV CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS; PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS; NATURE OF MEMBERSHIP INTEREST

#### Section 4.1 Initial Capital Contributions.

On July 27, 2018, in connection with the formation of the Company, the Sole Member made a contribution to the capital of the Company in exchange for all of the Membership Interests.

#### Section 4.2 Additional Capital Contributions.

The Sole Member shall not be obligated to make additional Capital Contributions to the Company.

#### Section 4.3 No Preemptive Rights.

No Person shall have preemptive, preferential or other similar rights with respect to: (a) additional Capital Contributions; (b) issuance or sale of any class or series of Membership Interests, whether unissued, held in the treasury or hereafter created; (c) issuance of any obligations, evidences of indebtedness or other securities of the Company convertible into or exchangeable for, or carrying or accompanied by any rights to receive, purchase or subscribe to, any such Membership Interests; (d) issuance of any right of subscription to or right to receive, or any warrant or option for the purchase of, any such Membership Interests; or (e) issuance or sale of any other securities that may be issued or sold by the Company.

#### Section 4.4 Fully Paid and Non-Assessable Nature of Membership Interests.

All Membership Interests issued pursuant to, and in accordance with, the requirements of this <u>Article IV</u> shall be fully paid and non-assessable Membership Interests, except as such non-assessability may be affected by Section 18-607 of the Act.

#### ARTICLE V MANAGEMENT AND OPERATION OF BUSINESS

#### Section 5.1 Establishment of the Board.

The number of directors (the "*Directors*") constituting the board of directors of the Company (the "*Board*") shall be at least three and not more than twelve, unless otherwise fixed from time to time pursuant to action by the Sole Member. The Directors shall be elected or approved by the Sole Member. The Directors shall serve as Directors of the Company for their term of office established pursuant to <u>Section 5.3</u>.

#### Section 5.2 The Board; Delegation of Authority and Duties.

(a) *Sole Member and Board.* The business and affairs of the Company related to the Company's management and control of the business and affairs of the Partnership in its capacity as general partner of the Partnership shall be managed under the direction of the Board, which shall possess all rights and powers which are possessed by "managers" under the Act and otherwise by applicable law, pursuant to Section 18-402 of the Act, subject to the provisions of this Agreement. Except as otherwise provided for herein, the Sole Member hereby consents to the exercise by the Board of all such powers and rights conferred on it by the Act or otherwise by applicable law with respect to the management and control of the Company.

(b) *Delegation by the Board*. The Board shall have the power and authority to delegate to one or more other Persons the Board's rights and powers, including delegating such rights and powers of the Board to agents and employees (including Officers) of the Company. The Board may authorize any Person (including the Sole Member, or any Director or Officer) to enter into any document on behalf of the Company and perform the obligations of the Company thereunder.

#### (c) Committees.

(i) The Board may establish committees of the Board and may delegate any of its responsibilities to such committees.

(ii) The Board shall have an audit committee that includes at least one Independent Director as of the date on which the Partnership's common units are listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market, at least two Independent Directors within 90 days of the closing date of the Initial Public Offering and at least three Independent Directors within one year of such closing date. Such audit committee shall establish a written audit committee charter in accordance

with the rules of the principal national securities exchange on which a class of Partnership Interests of the Partnership are listed or admitted to trading, as amended from time to time. "Independent Director" shall mean Directors meeting independence standards required of directors who serve on an audit committee of a board of directors established by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission thereunder and by the national securities exchange on which any class of Partnership Interests of the Partnership are listed or admitted to trading.

(d) *Chairman of the Board*. The Sole Member may appoint a chairman (the "*Chairman*") of the Board. The Chairman of the Board, if appointed, shall be a member of the Board and shall preside at all meetings of the Board and of the partners of the Partnership. The Chairman of the Board shall not be an Officer by virtue of being the Chairman of the Board but may otherwise be an Officer. The Chairman of the Board may be removed either with or without cause at any time by the Sole Member. No removal or resignation as Chairman of the Board shall affect such Chairman's status as a Director unless such person is also removed or resigns as a Director.

#### Section 5.3 Term of Office.

Once designated pursuant to <u>Section 5.1</u>, a Director shall continue in office until the removal of such Director in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement or until the earlier death or resignation of such Director. Any Director may resign at any time by giving written notice of such Director's resignation to the Board. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time the Board receives such notice or at any later effective time specified in such notice. Unless otherwise specified in such notice, the acceptance by the Board of such Director's resignation shall not be necessary to make such resignation effective. Notwithstanding anything herein or under applicable law to the contrary, any Director may be removed at any time with or without cause by the Sole Member.

#### Section 5.4 Meetings of the Board and Committees.

(a) *Meetings.* The Board (or any committee of the Board) shall meet at such time and at such place as the Chairman of the Board (or the chairman of such committee) may designate. Written notice of all regular meetings of the Board (or any committee of the Board) must be given to all Directors (or all members of such committee) at least two days prior to the regular meeting of the Board (or such committee). Special meetings of the Board (or any committee of the Board) shall be held at the request of the Chairman, a majority of the Directors (or a majority of the members of such committee) or the Sole Member upon at least two days (if the meeting is to be held in person) or twenty-four hours (if the meeting is to be held telephonically) oral or written notice to the Directors (or the members of such committee) or upon such shorter notice as may be approved by the Directors (or the members of such committee), which approval may be given before or after the relevant meeting to which the notice relates. All notices and other communications to be given to Directors (or members of a committee) shall be sufficiently given for all purposes hereunder if in writing and delivered by hand, courier or overnight delivery service or three days after being mailed by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, with appropriate postage prepaid, or when received in the form of an electronic mail message or facsimile, and shall be directed to the address, electronic mail address or facsimile number as such

Director (or member) shall designate by notice to the Company. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the Board (or committee) need be specified in the notice of such meeting. Any Director (or member of such committee) may waive the requirement of such notice as to such Director (or such member).

(b) *Conduct of Meetings*. Any meeting of the Board (or any committee of the Board) may be held in person or by telephone conference or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and such participation in a meeting shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

(c) *Quorum*. Fifty percent or more of all Directors (or members of a committee of the Board), present in person or participating in accordance with <u>Section 5.4(b)</u>, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but if at any meeting of the Board (or committee) there shall be less than a quorum present, a majority of the Directors (or members of a committee) present may adjourn the meeting without further notice. The Directors (or members of a committee) to leave less than a quorum; *provided, however*, that only the acts of the Directors (or members of a committee) meeting the requirements of <u>Section 5.5</u> shall be deemed to be acts of the Board (or such committee).

#### Section 5.5 Voting.

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the effectiveness of any vote, consent or other action of the Board (or any committee) in respect of any matter shall require either (i) the presence of a quorum and the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the Directors (or members of such committee) present or (ii) the written consent (in lieu of meeting) of the Directors (or members of such committee) having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting of the Board (or any committee) at which all Directors (or members of such committee) entitled to vote thereon were present and voted.. Any Director may vote in person or by proxy (pursuant to a power of attorney) on any matter that is to be voted on by the Board at a meeting thereof.

#### Section 5.6 *Responsibility and Authority of the Board and the Officers.*

(a) *General*. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the relative authority and functions of the Board, on the one hand, and the Officers, on the other hand, shall be identical to the relative authority and functions of the board of directors and officers, respectively, of a corporation organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware; provided that any authority or function of the Board may be delegated by the Board to the Officers. The Officers shall be vested with such powers and duties as are set forth in <u>Section 6.1</u> hereof and as are specified by the Board from time to time. Accordingly, except as otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, the day-to-day activities of the Company shall be conducted on the Company's behalf by the Officers who shall be agents of the Company. In addition to the powers and authorities expressly conferred on the Board by this Agreement, the Board may exercise all such powers of the Company and do all such acts and things as are not restricted by this Agreement, the Partnership Agreement, the Act or applicable law.

(b) *Member Consent Required for Extraordinary Matters*. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Board will not take any action without approval of the Sole Member with respect to an extraordinary matter that would have, or would reasonably be expected to have, a material effect, directly or indirectly, on the Sole Member's interests in the Company. The type of extraordinary matter referred to in the prior sentence which requires approval of the Sole Member shall include, but not be limited to, the following: (i) commencement of any action relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or relief of debtors by the Company, the Partnership or a material Subsidiary thereof; (ii) a merger, consolidation, recapitalization or similar transaction involving the Company, the Partnership or a material Subsidiary thereof; (iii) a sale, exchange or other transfer not in the ordinary course of business of a substantial portion of the assets of the Partnership or a material Subsidiary of the Partnership; and (v) a material amendment of the Partnership Agreement. An extraordinary matter will be deemed approved by the Sole Member if the Board receives a written, facsimile or electronic instruction evidencing such approval from the Sole Member or if each of the Directors that do not qualify as Independent Directors because of their affiliation with the Sole Member, approve such matter. To the fullest extent permitted by law, a Director, acting as such, shall have no duty, responsibility or liability to the Sole Member with respect to any action by the Board approved by the Sole Member.

(c) *Member-Managed Decisions*. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Sole Member shall have exclusive authority over the internal business and affairs of the Company that do not relate to management and control of the Partnership and its subsidiaries. For illustrative purposes, the internal business and affairs of the Company where the Sole Member shall have exclusive authority include (i) the amount and timing of distributions paid by the Company, (ii) the issuance or repurchase of any equity interests in the Company, (iii) the prosecution, settlement or management of any claim made directly against the Company, (iv) the decision to sell, convey, transfer or pledge any asset of the Company, (v) the decision to amend, modify or waive any rights relating to the assets of the Company and (vi) the decision to enter into any agreement to incur an obligation of the Company other than an agreement entered into for and on behalf of the Partnership for which the Company is liable exclusively by virtue of the Company's capacity as general partner of the Partnership or of any of its Affiliates.

In addition, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Sole Member shall have exclusive authority to cause the Company to exercise the rights of the Company as general partner of the Partnership (or those exercisable after the Company ceases to be the general partner of the Partnership) where (a) the Company makes a determination or takes or declines to take any other action in its individual capacity under the Partnership Agreement or (b) where the Partnership Agreement permits the Company to make a determination or take or decline to take any other action in its sole discretion. For illustrative purposes, a list of provisions where the Company would be acting in its individual capacity or is permitted to act in its sole discretion is contained in <u>Appendix A</u> hereto.

#### Section 5.7 Devotion of Time.

The Directors shall not be obligated and shall not be expected to devote all of their time or business efforts to the affairs of the Company (except, to the extent applicable, in their capacity as employees of the Company).

#### Section 5.8 Certificate of Formation.

The Certificate of Formation was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware as required by the Act and certain other certificates or documents it determined in its discretion to be necessary or appropriate for the qualification and operation of the Company in certain other states. The Board shall use all reasonable efforts to cause to be filed such additional certificates or documents as may be determined by the Board to be necessary or appropriate for the formation, continuation, qualification and operation of a limited liability company in the State of Delaware or any other state in which the Company may elect to do business or own property. To the extent that such action is determined by the Board to be necessary or appropriate, the Board shall cause the Officers to file amendments to and restatements of the Certificate of Formation and do all things to maintain the Company as a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Delaware or of any other state in which the Company may elect to do business or own property.

#### Section 5.9 Benefit Plans.

The Board may propose and adopt on behalf of the Company employee benefit plans, employee programs and employee practices, or cause the Company to issue interests of the Company (or to exercise its authority to cause the Partnership to issue Partnership Interests), in connection with or pursuant to any employee benefit plan, employee program or employee practice maintained or sponsored by any Group Member or any Affiliate thereof, in each case for the benefit of employees of the Company, any Group Member or any Affiliate thereof, or any of them, in respect of services performed, directly or indirectly, for the benefit of any Group Member.

#### Section 5.10 Indemnification.

(a) To the fullest extent permitted by law but subject to the limitations expressly provided in this Agreement, all Indemnitees shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, joint or several, expenses (including legal fees and expenses), judgments, fines, penalties, interest, settlements or other amounts arising from any and all threatened, pending or completed claims, demands, actions, suits or proceedings, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, and whether formal or informal and including appeals, in which any Indemnitee may be involved, or is threatened to be involved, as a party or otherwise, by reason of its status as an Indemnitee and acting (or refraining to act) in such capacity; *provided*, that the Indemnitee shall not be indemnified and held harmless if there has been a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter for which the Indemnitee is seeking indemnification pursuant to this <u>Section 5.10</u>, the Indemnitee acted in bad faith or, in the case of a criminal matter, acted with knowledge that the Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful. Any indemnification pursuant to this <u>Section 5.10</u> shall be made only out of the assets of the Company, it being agreed that the Sole Member shall not be personally liable for such indemnification and shall have no obligation to contribute or loan any monies or property to the Company to enable it to effectuate such indemnification.

(b) To the fullest extent permitted by law, expenses (including legal fees and expenses) incurred by an Indemnitee who is indemnified pursuant to Section 5.10(a) in appearing at, participating in or defending any claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding shall, from time to time, be advanced by the Company prior to a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter for which the Indemnitee is seeking indemnification pursuant to this Section 5.10, that the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified upon receipt by the Company of any undertaking by or on behalf of the Indemnitee to repay such amount if it shall be ultimately determined that the Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified as authorized by this Section 5.10.

(c) The indemnification provided by this <u>Section 5.10</u> shall be in addition to any other rights to which an Indemnitee may be entitled under any agreement, as a matter of law, in equity or otherwise, both as to actions in the Indemnitee's capacity as an Indemnitee and as to actions in any other capacity, and shall continue as to an Indemnitee who has ceased to serve in such capacity and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors, assigns and administrators of the Indemnitee.

(d) The Company may purchase and maintain (or reimburse the Sole Member or its Affiliates for the cost of) insurance, on behalf of the Directors, the Officers, the Sole Member, its Affiliates, the Indemnitees and such other Persons as the Sole Member shall determine, against any liability that may be asserted against, or expense that may be incurred by, such Person in connection with the Company's activities or such Person's activities on behalf of the Company, regardless of whether the Company would have the power to indemnify such Person against such liability under the provisions of this Agreement.

(e) For purposes of this <u>Section 5.10</u>, the Company shall be deemed to have requested an Indemnitee to serve as fiduciary of an employee benefit plan whenever the performance by it of its duties to the Company also imposes duties on, or otherwise involves services by, it to the plan or participants or beneficiaries of the plan; excise taxes assessed on an Indemnitee with respect to an employee benefit plan pursuant to applicable law shall constitute "fines" within the meaning of <u>Section 5.10(a)</u>; and action taken or omitted by an Indemnitee with respect to any employee benefit plan in the performance of its duties for a purpose reasonably believed by it to be in the best interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan shall be deemed to be for a purpose that is in the best interests of the Company.

(f) An Indemnitee shall be fully protected in relying in good faith upon the records of the Company and upon such information, opinions, reports or statements presented to the Company by any person or entity (including any other Indemnitee and any expert or advisor retained by or on behalf of the Company or the Board) as to matters the Indemnitee reasonably believes to be within such other person's or entity's professional or expert competence.

(g) In no event may an Indemnitee subject the Sole Member to personal liability by reason of the indemnification provisions set forth in this Agreement.

(h) An Indemnitee shall not be denied indemnification in whole or in part under this <u>Section 5.10</u> because the Indemnitee had an interest in the transaction with respect to which the indemnification applies if the transaction was otherwise permitted by the terms of this Agreement.

(i) The provisions of this <u>Section 5.10</u> are for the benefit of the Indemnitees and their heirs, successors, assigns, executors and administrators and shall not be deemed to create any rights for the benefit of any other Persons.

(j) No amendment, modification or repeal of this <u>Section 5.10</u> shall in any manner terminate, reduce or impair the right of any past, present or future Indemnitee to be indemnified by the Company, nor the obligations of the Company to indemnify any such Indemnitee under and in accordance with the provisions of this <u>Section 5.10</u> as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted.

#### Section 5.11 Limitation of Liability of Indemnitees.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement or the Partnership Agreement, no Indemnitee shall be liable for monetary damages or otherwise to the Company, the Sole Member or any other Persons who have acquired interests in the Company or to any other Person bound by this Agreement, for losses sustained or liabilities incurred as a result of any act or omission of an Indemnitee unless there has been a final and non-appealable judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction determining that, in respect of the matter in question, such losses or liabilities were the result of the conduct of that Indemnitee engaged in bad faith or, in the case of a criminal matter, with knowledge that the Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful.

(b) To the extent that, at law or in equity, an Indemnitee has duties (including fiduciary duties) and liabilities relating thereto to the Company, the Sole Member, any other Person who has acquired interests in the Company, any other Person bound by this Agreement or any other Indemnitee, such Indemnitee acting in connection with the Company's business or affairs shall not be liable to the Company, the Sole Member, any other Person who has acquired interests in the Company business or affairs shall not be liable to the Company, the Sole Member, any other Person who has acquired interests in the Company, any other Person bound by this Agreement or any other Indemnitee for its good faith reliance on the provisions of this Agreement.

(c) Any amendment, modification or repeal of this <u>Section 5.11</u> shall be prospective only and shall not in any way affect the limitations on the liability of the Indemnitees under this <u>Section 5.11</u> as in effect immediately prior to such amendment, modification or repeal with respect to claims arising from or relating to matters occurring, in whole or in part, prior to such amendment, modification or repeal, regardless of when such claims may arise or be asserted.

#### Section 5.12 Reliance by Third Parties.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, any Person dealing with the Company shall be entitled to assume that any Officer authorized by the Board to act for and on behalf of and in the name of the Company has full power and authority to encumber, sell or otherwise use in any manner any and all assets of the Company and to enter into any authorized contracts on behalf of the Company, and such Person shall be entitled to deal with any such Officer as if it were the Company's sole party in interest, both legally and beneficially. The Sole Member

hereby waives any and all defenses or other remedies that may be available against such Person to contest, negate or disaffirm any action of any such Officer in connection with any such dealing. In no event shall any Person dealing with any such Officer or its representatives be obligated to ascertain that the terms of the Agreement have been complied with or to inquire into the necessity or expedience of any act or action of any such Officer or its representatives. Each and every certificate, document or other instrument executed on behalf of the Company by any Officer authorized by the Board shall be conclusive evidence in favor of any and every Person relying thereon or claiming thereunder that (a) at the time of the execution and delivery of such certificate, document or instrument, this Agreement was in full force and effect, (b) the Person executing and delivering such certificate, document or instrument was duly authorized and empowered to do so for and on behalf of and in the name of the Company and (c) such certificate, document or instrument was duly executed and delivered in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement and is binding upon the Company.

#### Section 5.13 Other Business of Members.

(a) *Existing Business Ventures*. The Sole Member, each Director and their respective Affiliates may engage in or possess an interest in other business ventures of any nature or description, independently or with others, similar or dissimilar to the business of the Company or the Partnership, and the Company, the Partnership, the Directors and the Sole Member shall have no rights by virtue of this Agreement in and to such independent ventures or the income or profits derived therefrom, and the pursuit of any such venture, even if competitive with the business of the Company or the Partnership, shall not be deemed wrongful or improper.

(b) *Business Opportunities.* None of the Sole Member, any Director or any of their respective Affiliates shall be obligated to present any particular investment opportunity to the Company or the Partnership even if such opportunity is of a character that the Company, the Partnership or any of their respective subsidiaries might reasonably be deemed to have pursued or had the ability or desire to pursue if granted the opportunity to do so, and the Sole Member, each Director or any of their respective Affiliates shall have the right to take for such Person's own account (individually or as a partner or fiduciary) or to recommend to others any such particular investment opportunity.

## ARTICLE VI OFFICERS

#### Section 6.1 Officers.

(a) *Generally*. The Board shall appoint agents of the Company, referred to as "Officers" of the Company as described in this <u>Section 6.1</u>, who shall be responsible for the day-to-day business affairs of the Company, subject to the overall direction and control of the Board. Unless provided otherwise by the Board, the Officers shall have the titles, power, authority and duties described below in this <u>Section 6.1</u>.

(b) *Titles and Number*. The Officers shall be one or more Presidents, any and all Vice Presidents, the Secretary and any and all Assistant Secretaries and any Treasurer and any and all Assistant Treasurers and any other Officers appointed pursuant to this <u>Section 6.1</u>. There

shall be appointed from time to time, in accordance with this <u>Section 6.1</u>, such Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries, Treasurers and Assistant Treasurers as the Board may desire. Any Person may hold two or more offices.

(i) *President/Chief Executive Officer*. The Board shall elect one or more individuals to serve, subject to the direction and supervision of the Board, as the President and/or Chief Executive Officer of the Company and shall have general and active management and control of the affairs and business and general supervision of the Company, and the Partnership and its subsidiaries, and its officers, agents and employees, and shall perform all duties incident to the office of chief executive officer of the Company and such other duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Board. Each President and/or Chief Executive Officer shall have the nonexclusive authority to sign on behalf of the Company any deeds, mortgages, leases, bonds, notes, certificates, contracts or other instruments, except in cases where the execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board or by this Agreement to some other Officer or agent of the Company or shall be required by law to be otherwise executed. In the absence of the Chairman, or the Vice Chairman, if there is one, or in the event of the Chairman's inability or refusal to act, a President and/or Chief Executive Officer shall perform the duties of the Chairman, and each President and/or Chief Executive Officer, when so acting, shall have all of the powers of the Chairman.

(ii) *Vice Presidents.* The Board, in its discretion, may elect one or more Vice Presidents. In the absence of any President and Chief Executive Officer or in the event of a President's or Chief Executive Officer's inability or refusal to act, the Vice President (or in the event there be more than one Vice President, the Vice Presidents in the order designated, or in the absence of any designation, then in the order of their election) shall perform the duties of a President and/or Chief Executive Officer, and the Vice President, when so acting, shall have all of the powers and be subject to all the restrictions upon a President and/or Chief Executive Officer. Each Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by a President, a Chief Executive Officer or the Board.

(iii) Secretary and Assistant Secretaries. The Board, in its discretion, may elect a Secretary and one or more Assistant Secretaries. The Secretary shall record or cause to be recorded in books provided for that purpose the minutes of the meetings or actions of the Board, of the Sole Member and of the partners of the Partnership, shall see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and as required by law, shall be custodian of all records (other than financial), shall see that the books, reports, statements, certificates and all other documents and records required by law are properly kept and filed, and, in general, shall perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as may, from time to time, be assigned to him by this Agreement, the Board or a President. The Assistant Secretaries shall exercise the powers of the Secretary during that Officer's absence or inability or refusal to act.

(iv) *Treasurer and Assistant Treasurers*. The Board, in its discretion, may elect a Treasurer and one or more Assistant Treasurers. The Treasurer shall keep or cause to be kept the books of account of the Company and shall render statements of the financial affairs of the Company in such form and as often as required by this Agreement, the Board or a President. The Treasurer, subject to the order of the Board, shall have the custody of all funds and securities

of the Company. The Treasurer shall perform all other duties commonly incident to his office and shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as this Agreement, the Board or a President, shall designate from time to time. The Assistant Treasurers shall exercise the power of the Treasurer during that Officer's absence or inability or refusal to act. Each of the Assistant Treasurers shall possess the same power as the Treasurer to sign all certificates, contracts, obligations and other instruments of the Company. If no Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer is appointed and serving or in the absence of the appointed Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, a President or such other Officer as the Board shall select, shall have the powers and duties conferred upon the Treasurer.

(c) *Other Officers and Agents.* The Board may appoint such other Officers and agents as may from time to time appear to be necessary or advisable in the conduct of the affairs of the Company, who shall hold their offices for such terms and shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as shall be determined from time to time by the Board.

(d) *Appointment and Term of Office*. The Officers shall be appointed by the Board at such time and for such terms as the Board shall determine. Any Officer may be removed, with or without cause, only by the Board. Vacancies in any office may be filled only by the Board.

(e) *Powers of Attorney*. The Board may grant powers of attorney or other authority as appropriate to establish and evidence the authority of the Officers and other Persons.

(f) *Officers' Delegation of Authority*. Unless as otherwise provided herein or by resolution of the Board, no Officer shall have the power or authority to delegate to any Person such Officer's rights and powers as an Officer to manage the business and affairs of the Company.

#### Section 6.2 Compensation.

The Officers shall receive such compensation for their services as may be designated by the Board or any committee thereof established for the purpose of setting compensation.

### ARTICLE VII BOOKS, RECORDS, ACCOUNTING AND REPORTS

#### Section 7.1 Records and Accounting.

The Board shall keep or cause to be kept at the principal office of the Company appropriate books and records with respect to the Company's business. The books of account of the Company shall be (i) maintained on the basis of a fiscal year that is the calendar year and (ii) maintained on an accrual basis in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, consistently applied.

#### Section 7.2 Reports.

With respect to each calendar year, the Board shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, and deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Sole Member:

(a) Within a reasonable amount of time after the end of such calendar year, a profit and loss statement and a statement of cash flows for such year and a balance sheet as of the end of such year.

(b) Such federal, state and local income tax returns and such other accounting, tax information and schedules as shall be necessary for the preparation by the Sole Member within a reasonable amount of time following the end of each calendar year of its income tax return with respect to such year.

### ARTICLE VIII DISSOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION

Section 8.1 Dissolution.

- (a) The Company shall be of perpetual duration; however, the Company shall dissolve, and its affairs shall be wound up, upon:
  - (i) an election to dissolve the Company by the Sole Member;
  - (ii) the entry of a decree of judicial dissolution of the Company pursuant to the provisions of the Act; or
  - (iii) a merger or consolidation under the Act where the Company is not the surviving entity in such merger or consolidation.
- (b) No other event shall cause a dissolution of the Company.

#### Section 8.2 Effect of Dissolution.

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, upon the dissolution of the Company, the Sole Member shall take such actions as may be required pursuant to the Act and shall proceed to wind up, liquidate and terminate the business and affairs of the Company. In connection with such winding up, the Sole Member shall have the authority to liquidate and reduce to cash (to the extent necessary or appropriate) the assets of the Company as promptly as is consistent with obtaining fair value therefor, to apply and distribute the proceeds of such liquidation and any remaining assets in accordance with the provisions of <u>Section 8.3</u>, and to do any and all acts and things authorized by, and in accordance with, the Act and other applicable laws for the purpose of winding up and liquidation.

#### Section 8.3 Application of Proceeds.

Upon dissolution and liquidation of the Company, the assets of the Company shall be applied and distributed in the following order of priority:

(a) First, to the payment of debts and liabilities of the Company (including to the Sole Member to the extent permitted by applicable law) and the expenses of liquidation;

(b) Second, to the setting up of such reserves as the Person required or authorized by law to wind up the Company's affairs may reasonably deem necessary or appropriate for any disputed, contingent or unforeseen liabilities or obligations of the Company, provided that any such reserves shall be paid over by such Person to an escrow agent appointed by the Sole Member, to be held by such agent or its successor for such period as such Person shall deem advisable for the purpose of applying such reserves to the payment of such liabilities or obligations and, at the expiration of such period, the balance of such reserves, if any, shall be distributed as hereinafter provided; and

(c) Thereafter, the remainder to the Sole Member.

#### ARTICLE IX GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### Section 9.1 Addresses and Notices.

Any notice, demand, request, report or proxy materials required or permitted to be given or made to the Sole Member under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed given or made when delivered in person, when received by electronic message or when sent by first class United States mail or by other means of written communication to the Sole Member at the address described below. Any notice to the Company shall be deemed given if received by a President at the principal office of the Company designated pursuant to <u>Section 2.3</u>. The Company may rely and shall be protected in relying on any notice or other document from the Sole Member or other Person if believed by it to be genuine.

If to the Sole Member:

Diamondback Energy, Inc. 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky, General Counsel E-mail: MZmigrosky@DiamondBackEnergy.com

#### Section 9.2 Creditors.

None of the provisions of this Agreement shall be for the benefit of, or shall be enforceable by, any creditor of the Company.

#### Section 9.3 Applicable Law.

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law.

#### Section 9.4 Invalidity of Provisions.

If any provision of this Agreement is or becomes invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein shall not be affected thereby.

### Section 9.5 Third Party Beneficiaries.

The Sole Member agrees that any Indemnitee shall be entitled to assert rights and remedies hereunder as a third-party beneficiary hereto with respect to those provisions of this Agreement affording a right, benefit or privilege to such Indemnitee.

## [Signature page follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Sole Member has executed this Agreement as of the date first written above.

## DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

Name: Teresa L. Dick Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Assistant Secretary

[Signature Page to First Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler Midstream GP LLC]

### Appendix A

The following are provisions of the Partnership Agreement where the Company is permitted to act in its sole discretion or would be acting in its individual capacity. Capitalized terms used but not defined in this <u>Appendix A</u> have the meanings assigned to them in the Partnership Agreement.

(a) Section 2.4 ("*Purpose and Business*"), with respect to decisions to propose or approve the conduct by the Partnership of any business;

(b) Sections 4.6(a) and (b) ("*Transfer of the General Partner Interest*"), solely with respect to the decision by the Company to transfer its general partner interest in the Partnership;

(c) Section 5.6 ("*Preemptive Right*"), with respect to the right to purchase Partnership Interests from the Partnership;

(d) Section 7.6(e) relating to the right of the Company and its Affiliates to purchase Units or other Partnership Interests and exercise rights related thereto;

(e) Section 7.7 ("Indemnification"), solely with respect to any decision by the Company to exercise its rights as an "Indemnitee";

(f) Section 7.11 ("*Purchase and Sale of Partnership Interests*"), solely with respect to decisions by the Company to purchase or otherwise acquire and sell Partnership Interests for its own account;

(g) Section 7.12 ("*Registration Rights of the General Partner and its Affiliates*"), solely with respect to any decision to exercise registration rights of the Company;

(h) Section 11.1 ("*Withdrawal of the General Partner*"), solely with respect to the decision by the Company to withdraw as General Partner of the Partnership and to giving notices required thereunder;

(i) Sections 11.3(a) and (b) ("*Interest of Departing General Partner and Successor General Partner*"), solely with respect to any decision to exercise the rights of the Company thereunder; and

(j) Section 15.1 ("Right to Acquire Limited Partner Interests").

Appendix A

### **REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT**

### **BY AND BETWEEN**

## RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

AND

## ENERGEN RESOURCES CORPORATION

#### **REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT**

THIS REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is made and entered into as of May 28, 2019, by and between Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "<u>Partnership</u>"), and Energen Resources Corporation, an Alabama corporation ("<u>Energen</u>").

WHEREAS, in connection with the adoption of the First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership dated the date hereof (as amended from time to time, the "<u>Partnership Agreement</u>"), Energen holds Class B Units of the Partnership (the "<u>Class B Units</u>") that are exchangeable, together with the Units of the Operating Company (as defined below) (the "<u>OpCo Units</u>"), for Common Units of the Partnership (the "<u>Common Units</u>"); and

WHEREAS, Energen may from time to time acquire additional Common Units or Class B Units.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by each party hereto, the parties hereby agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01. <u>Definitions</u>. Capitalized terms used herein without definition shall have the meanings given to them in the Partnership Agreement. The terms set forth below are used herein as so defined:

"<u>Affiliate</u>" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries Controls, is Controlled by or is under common Control with, the Person in question.

"<u>Agreement</u>" has the meaning given to such term in the introductory paragraph.

"<u>Business Day</u>" means Monday through Friday of each week, except that a legal holiday recognized as such by the government of the United States of America or the State of Texas shall not be regarded as a Business Day.

"Class B Units" has the meaning given to such term in the recitals of this Agreement.

"Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Common Units" has the meaning given to such term in the recitals of this Agreement.

"<u>Control</u>" or "<u>control</u>" (including the terms "<u>controlled</u>" and "<u>controlling</u>") means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

"Effectiveness Period" has the meaning given to such term in Section 2.01.

"Energen" has the meaning given to such term in the introductory paragraph.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"<u>Exchange Agreement</u>" means the Exchange Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, among the Partnership, Energen, the General Partner and the Operating Company, pursuant to which Energen can tender OpCo Units, together with Class B Units, in exchange for Common Units.

"Holder" means the record holder of any Registrable Securities.

"Losses" has the meaning given to such term in Section 2.07(a).

"Managing Underwriter(s)" means, with respect to any Underwritten Offering, the book-running lead manager(s) of such Underwritten Offering.

"Notice" has the meaning given to such term in Section 2.01.

"OpCo Units" has the meaning given to such term in the recitals of this Agreement

"Operating Company." means Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"Partnership" has the meaning given to such term in the introductory paragraph.

"Partnership Agreement" has the meaning given to such term in the recitals of this Agreement.

"<u>Person</u>" means an individual or a corporation, firm, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, unincorporated organization, association, government agency or political subdivision thereof or other entity.

"<u>Registrable Securities</u>" means (i) the aggregate number of Common Units acquired or that may be acquired by Energen or any of its Affiliates in accordance with the Exchange Agreement; (ii) any securities of the Partnership or any of its subsidiaries issued or issuable with respect to the securities referred to in <u>clause (i)</u> above by way of dividend, distribution, split or combination of securities, or any recapitalization, merger, consolidation or other reorganization; and (iii) any other Common Units or other securities of the Partnership held by Energen or any of its Affiliates from time to time, which Registrable Securities are subject to the rights provided herein until such rights terminate pursuant to the provisions hereof.

"<u>Registration Expenses</u>" means all expenses (other than Selling Expenses) incident to the Partnership's performance under or compliance with this Agreement to effect the registration of Registrable Securities on a Registration Statement pursuant to <u>Section 2.01</u> and/or in connection with an Underwritten Offering pursuant to <u>Section 2.02(a)</u>, and the disposition of such Registrable Securities, including, without limitation, all registration, filing, securities exchange listing and securities exchange fees, all registration, filing, qualification and other fees and expenses of

complying with securities or blue sky laws, fees of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, fees of transfer agents and registrars, all word processing, duplicating and printing expenses, any transfer taxes and the fees and disbursements of counsel and independent public accountants for the Partnership, including the expenses of any special audits or "cold comfort" letters required by or incident to such performance and compliance.

"Registration Statement" has the meaning given to such term in Section 2.01.

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

"Selling Expenses" means all underwriting fees, discounts and selling commissions applicable to the sale of Registrable Securities.

"Selling Holder" means a Holder who is selling Registrable Securities pursuant to a registration statement.

"Testing-the-Waters Communication" means any oral or written communication with potential investors undertaken in reliance on Section 5(d) of the Securities Act.

"<u>Underwritten Offering</u>" means an offering (including an offering pursuant to a Registration Statement) in which Common Units are sold to an underwriter on a firm commitment basis for reoffering to the public or an offering that is a "bought deal" with one or more investment banks.

"<u>Written Testing-the-Waters Communication</u>" means any Testing-the-Waters Communication that is a written communication within the meaning of Rule 405 under the Securities Act.

Section 1.02. <u>Registrable Securities</u>. Any Registrable Security will cease to be a Registrable Security: (a) at the time a Registration Statement covering such Registrable Security has been declared effective by the Commission, or otherwise has become effective, and such Registrable Security has been sold or disposed of pursuant to such Registration Statement; (b) at the time such Registrable Security has been disposed of pursuant to Rule 144 (or any similar provision then in effect under the Securities Act); (c) ten years after Energen ceases to be an Affiliate of the Partnership; (d) if such Registrable Security is held by the Partnership or one of its subsidiaries; (e) at the time such Registrable Security has been transferred in a private transaction in which the transferor's rights under this Agreement are not assigned to the transferee of such securities; or (f) if such Registrable Security has been transferee and such transferee is not an Affiliate of Energen or the Partnership at the time that is two years following the transfer of such Registrable Security to such transferee.

### ARTICLE II REGISTRATION RIGHTS

Section 2.01. <u>Demand Registration</u>. Upon the written request (a "<u>Notice</u>") by Holders collectively owning at least 5% of the then-outstanding Registrable Securities, the Partnership shall

file with the Commission, as soon as reasonably practicable, but in no event more than 90 days following the receipt of the Notice, a registration statement (each a "Registration Statement") under the Securities Act providing for the resale of such Registrable Securities (which may, at the option of the Holders giving such Notice, be a registration statement under the Securities Act that provides for the resale of such Registrable Securities pursuant to Rule 415 from time to time by the Holders). There shall be no limit on the number of Registration Statements that may be required by the Holders pursuant to this <u>Section 2.01</u>. The Partnership shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause each Registration Statement obe declared effective by the Commission as soon as reasonably practicable after the initial filing of the Registration Statement. Any Registration Statement shall provide for the resale pursuant to any method or combination of methods legally available to, and requested by, the Holders of any and all such Registration Statement filed pursuant to this <u>Section 2.01</u> to be continuously effective, supplemented and amended to the extent necessary to ensure that it is available for the resale of all such Registration Statement that it is available for the resale of all such Registratioe Securities by the Holders until all such Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement have ceased to be Registrable Securities (the "<u>Effectiveness Period</u>"). Each Registration Statement when effective (and the documents incorporated therein by reference) shall comply as to form in all material respects with all applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and shall not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading (in the case of any prospectus contained in such Registration Statement, in light of the circumstances under which a statement is made).

#### Section 2.02. Underwritten Offerings.

(a) <u>Request for Underwritten Offering</u>. In the event that Holders collectively holding at least 5% of the then-outstanding Registrable Securities elect to dispose of Registrable Securities under a Registration Statement pursuant to an Underwritten Offering, and such Holders reasonably anticipate gross proceeds of at least \$50 million pursuant to such Underwritten Offering, the Partnership shall, upon request by such Holders, retain underwriters in order to permit such Holders to effect such sale through an Underwritten Offering and take all commercially reasonable actions as are requested by the Managing Underwriter to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities. The Partnership shall, upon request of the Holders, cause its management to participate in a roadshow or similar marketing effort in connection with any such Underwritten Offering.

(b) <u>Limitation on Underwritten Offerings</u>. In no event shall the Partnership be required hereunder to participate in more than three Underwritten Offerings in any 12-month period.

(c) <u>General Procedures</u>. In connection with any Underwritten Offering pursuant to this <u>Section 2.02</u>, the Holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities being sold in such Underwritten Offering shall be entitled, subject to the Partnership's consent (which is not to be unreasonably withheld), to select the Managing Underwriter. In connection with any Underwritten Offering under this Agreement, each Selling Holder and the Partnership shall be obligated to enter into an underwriting agreement that contains such representations and warranties, covenants, indemnities and other rights and obligations as are customary in

underwriting agreements for firm commitment offerings of securities. No Selling Holder may participate in such Underwritten Offering unless such Selling Holder agrees to sell its Registrable Securities on the basis provided in such underwriting agreement and completes and executes all questionnaires, powers of attorney, indemnities and other documents reasonably required under the terms of such underwriting agreement and furnish to the Partnership such information as the Partnership may reasonably request for inclusion in a Registration Statement or prospectus or any amendment or supplements thereto, as the case may be. Each Selling Holder may, at its option, require that any or all of the representations and warranties by, and the other agreements on the part of, the Partnership to and for the benefit of such underwriters also be made to and for such Selling Holder's benefit and that any or all of the conditions precedent to the obligations of such underwriters under such underwriting agreement also be conditions precedent to such Selling Holder's obligations. If any Selling Holder disapproves of the terms of an Underwritten Offering contemplated by this <u>Section 2.02</u>, such Selling Holder may elect to withdraw from the Underwritten Offering by notice to the Partnership and the Managing Underwriter; *provided, however*, that such withdrawal must be made at a time prior to the time of pricing of such Underwritten Offering. No such withdrawal shall affect the Partnership's obligation to pay Registration Expenses.

Section 2.03. <u>Delay Rights</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, if the Partnership determines that its compliance with its obligations under this <u>Article II</u> would be materially detrimental to the Partnership because such compliance would (a) materially interfere with a significant acquisition, reorganization, financing or other similar transaction involving the Partnership, (b) require premature disclosure of material information that the Partnership has a bona fide business purpose for preserving as confidential or (c) render the Partnership unable to comply with applicable securities laws, then the Partnership shall have the right to postpone compliance with its obligations under this <u>Article II</u> for a period of not more than three months; *provided, however*, that such right pursuant to this <u>Section 2.03</u> may not be utilized more than twice in any 12-month period.

Section 2.04. <u>Sale Procedures</u>. Whenever the Holders have requested that any Registrable Securities be registered under this Agreement or have initiated an Underwritten Offering, such Holders shall, if applicable, cause such Registrable Securities to be exchanged into Common Units in accordance with the terms of the Exchange Agreement before or substantially concurrently with the sale of such Registrable Securities. In connection with its obligations under this <u>Article II</u>, the Partnership will, as promptly as reasonably practicable:

(a) prepare and file with the Commission such amendments and supplements to each Registration Statement and the prospectus used in connection therewith as may be necessary to keep each Registration Statement effective for the Effectiveness Period and as may be necessary to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the disposition of all Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement;

(b) if a prospectus supplement will be used in connection with the marketing of an Underwritten Offering and the Managing Underwriter notifies the Partnership in writing that, in the sole judgment of such Managing Underwriter, inclusion of detailed information in such prospectus supplement is of material importance to the success of the Underwritten Offering of such Registrable Securities, use commercially reasonable efforts to include such information in such prospectus supplement;

(c) furnish to each Selling Holder (i) as far in advance as reasonably practicable before filing a Registration Statement or any supplement or amendment thereto, upon request, copies of reasonably complete drafts of all such documents proposed to be filed (including exhibits and each document incorporated by reference therein to the extent then required by the rules and regulations of the Commission), and provide each such Selling Holder the opportunity to object to any information pertaining to such Selling Holder and its plan of distribution that is contained therein and make the corrections reasonably requested by such Selling Holder with respect to such information prior to filing a Registration Statement or supplement or amendment thereto, and (ii) such number of copies of such Registration Statement and the prospectus included therein and any supplements and amendments thereto as such Persons may reasonably request in order to facilitate the public sale or other disposition of the Registrable Securities covered by such Registration Statement;

(d) if applicable, use its commercially reasonable efforts to register or qualify the Registrable Securities covered by a Registration Statement under the securities or blue sky laws of such jurisdictions as the Selling Holders or, in the case of an Underwritten Offering, the Managing Underwriter, shall reasonably request; *provided, however*, that the Partnership will not be required to qualify generally to transact business in any jurisdiction where it is not then required to so qualify or to take any action that would subject it to general service of process in any jurisdiction where it is not then so subject;

(e) promptly notify each Selling Holder and each underwriter, at any time when a prospectus is required to be delivered under the Securities Act, of (i) the filing of a Registration Statement or any prospectus or prospectus supplement to be used in connection therewith, or any amendment or supplement thereto, and, with respect to such Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto, when the same has become effective; and (ii) any written comments from the Commission with respect to any filing referred to in clause (i) and any written request by the Commission for amendments or supplements to a Registration Statement or any prospectus or prospectus supplement thereto;

(f) immediately notify each Selling Holder and each underwriter, at any time when a prospectus is required to be delivered under the Securities Act, of (i) the happening of any event as a result of which the prospectus or prospectus supplement contained in a Registration Statement, as then in effect, includes an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading (in the case of the prospectus contained therein, in the light of the circumstances under which a statement is made); (ii) the issuance or threat of issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of a Registration Statement, or the initiation of any proceedings for that purpose; or (iii) the receipt by the Partnership of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of any Registrable Securities for sale under the applicable securities or blue sky laws of any jurisdiction. Following the provision of such notice, the Partnership agrees to, as promptly as practicable, amend or supplement the prospectus or prospectus supplement or take other appropriate action so that the prospectus or prospectus supplement does not include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or

necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading in the light of the circumstances then existing and to take such other commercially reasonable action as is necessary to remove a stop order, suspension, threat thereof or proceedings related thereto;

(g) upon request and subject to appropriate confidentiality obligations, furnish to each Selling Holder copies of any and all transmittal letters or other correspondence with the Commission or any other governmental agency or self-regulatory body or other body having jurisdiction (including any domestic or foreign securities exchange) relating to any offering of Registrable Securities;

(h) in the case of an Underwritten Offering, furnish upon request, (i) an opinion of counsel for the Partnership dated the date of the closing under the underwriting agreement and (ii) a "cold comfort" letter, dated the pricing date of such Underwritten Offering (to the extent available) and a letter of like kind dated the date of the closing under the underwriting agreement, in each case, signed by the independent public accountants who have certified the Partnership's financial statements included or incorporated by reference into the applicable registration statement, and each of the opinion and the "cold comfort" letter shall be in customary form and covering substantially the same matters with respect to such registration statement (and the prospectus and any prospectus supplement included therein) as have been customarily covered in opinions of issuer's counsel and in accountants' letters delivered to the underwritters in Underwritten Offerings of securities by the Partnership and such other matters as such underwriters and Selling Holders may reasonably request;

(i) otherwise use its commercially reasonable efforts to comply with all applicable rules and regulations of the Commission, and make available to its security holders, as soon as reasonably practicable, an earnings statement, which earnings statement shall satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 promulgated thereunder;

(j) make available to the appropriate representatives of the Managing Underwriter and Selling Holders access to such information and Partnership personnel as is reasonable and customary to enable such parties to establish a due diligence defense under the Securities Act;

(k) cause all Registrable Securities registered pursuant to this Agreement to be listed on each securities exchange or nationally recognized quotation system on which similar securities issued by the Partnership are then listed;

(l) use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Registrable Securities to be registered with or approved by such other governmental agencies or authorities as may be necessary by virtue of the business and operations of the Partnership to enable the Selling Holders to consummate the disposition of the Registrable Securities;

(m) provide a transfer agent and registrar for all Registrable Securities covered by a Registration Statement not later than the effective date of such registration statement; and

(n) enter into customary agreements and take such other actions as are reasonably requested by the Selling Holders or the underwriters, if any, in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of the Registrable Securities.

Each Selling Holder, upon receipt of notice from the Partnership of the happening of any event of the kind described in subsection (f) of this <u>Section 2.04</u>, shall forthwith discontinue disposition of the Registrable Securities by means of a prospectus or prospectus supplement until such Selling Holder's receipt of the copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus contemplated by subsection (f) of this <u>Section 2.04</u> or until it is advised in writing by the Partnership that the use of the prospectus may be resumed, and has received copies of any additional or supplemental filings incorporated by reference in the prospectus, and, if so directed by the Partnership, such Selling Holder will, or will request the Managing Underwriter, if any, to deliver to the Partnership all copies in their possession or control of the prospectus and any prospectus supplement covering such Registrable Securities current at the time of receipt of such notice.

Section 2.05. <u>Cooperation by Holders</u>. The Partnership shall have no obligation to include in a Registration Statement, or in an Underwritten Offering pursuant to <u>Section 2.02(a)</u>, Registrable Securities of a Selling Holder who has failed to timely furnish such information that the Partnership determines, after consultation with its counsel, is reasonably required in order for the Registration Statement or prospectus or prospectus supplement, as applicable, to comply with the Securities Act.

Section 2.06. <u>Expenses</u>. The Partnership will pay all reasonable Registration Expenses, including in the case of an Underwritten Offering, regardless of whether any sale is made in such Underwritten Offering. Each Selling Holder shall pay all Selling Expenses in connection with any sale of its Registrable Securities hereunder. In addition, except as otherwise provided in <u>Section 2.07</u>, the Partnership shall not be responsible for legal fees incurred by Holders in connection with the exercise of such Holders' rights hereunder.

### Section 2.07. Indemnification.

(a) <u>By the Partnership</u>. In the event of a registration of any Registrable Securities under the Securities Act pursuant to this Agreement, the Partnership will indemnify and hold harmless each Selling Holder participating therein, its directors, officers, employees and agents, and each Person, if any, who controls such Selling Holder within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, and its directors, officers, employees or agents, against any losses, claims, damages, expenses or liabilities (including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) (collectively, "<u>Losses</u>"), joint or several, to which such Selling Holder, director, officer, employee, agent or controlling Person may become subject under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or otherwise, insofar as such Losses (or actions or proceedings, whether commenced or threatened, in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact (in the case of any prospectus or any Written Testing-the-Waters Communication, in the light of the circumstances under which such statement is made) contained in any Written Testing-the-Waters Communication of any amendment or supplement thereof, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein (in the case of a prospectus or any Written Testing-the-Waters Communication, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made) not misleading, and will reimburse each such Selling Holder, its directors, officers,

employee and agents, and each such controlling Person for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by them in connection with investigating or defending any such Loss or actions or proceedings as such expenses are incurred; *provided*, *however*, that the Partnership will not be liable in any such case if and to the extent that any such Loss arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission so made in conformity with information furnished by such Selling Holder, its directors, officers, employees and agents or such controlling Person in writing specifically for use in any Written Testing-the-Waters Communication, a Registration Statement, or prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto, as applicable. Such indemnity shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of such Selling Holder or any such directors, officers, employees agents or controlling Person, and shall survive the transfer of such securities by such Selling Holder.

(b) <u>By Each Selling Holder</u>. Each Selling Holder agrees severally and not jointly to indemnify and hold harmless the Partnership, its directors, officers, employees and agents and each Person, if any, who controls the Partnership within the meaning of the Securities Act or of the Exchange Act, and its directors, officers, employees and agents, to the same extent as the foregoing indemnity from the Partnership to the Selling Holder, but only with respect to information regarding such Selling Holder furnished in writing by or on behalf of such Selling Holder expressly for inclusion in any Written Testing-the-Waters Communication, a Registration Statement, any preliminary prospectus or prospectus supplement, free writing prospectus or final prospectus or prospectus supplement contained therein, or any amendment or supplement thereof; *provided, however*, that the liability of each Selling Holder shall not be greater in amount than the dollar amount of the proceeds (net of any Selling Expenses) received by such Selling Holder from the sale of the Registrable Securities giving rise to such indemnification.

(c) Notice. Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party hereunder of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party shall, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party hereunder, notify the indemnifying party in writing thereof, but the omission so to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability that it may have to any indemnified party other than under this Section 2.07. In any action brought against any indemnified party, it shall notify the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof. The indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate in and, to the extent it shall wish, to assume and undertake the defense thereof with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnifying party and, after notice from the indemnifying party under this Section 2.07 for any legal expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation and of liaison with counsel so selected; *provided, however*, that, (i) if the indemnifying party has failed to assume the defense or employ counsel reasonably acceptable to the indemnified party or (ii) if the defendants in any such action include both the indemnified party and the indemnifying party that are different from or additional to those available to the indemnifying party, or if the interests of the indemnified party reasonably may be deemed to conflict with the interests of the indemnifying party, then the indemnified party shall have the right to select a separate counsel and to assume such legal defense and otherwise to participate in the defense of such action, with the reasonable expenses and fees of such separate counsel and other

reasonable expenses related to such participation to be reimbursed by the indemnifying party as incurred. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, no indemnified party shall settle any action brought against it with respect to which it is entitled to indemnification hereunder without the consent of the indemnifying party, unless the settlement thereof imposes no liability or obligation on, and includes a complete and unconditional release from all liability of, the indemnifying party.

(d) <u>Contribution</u>. If the indemnification provided for in this <u>Section 2.07</u> is held by a court or government agency of competent jurisdiction to be unavailable to any indemnified party or is insufficient to hold them harmless in respect of any Losses, then each indemnifying party, in lieu of indemnifying such indemnified party, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such Loss in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the indemnifying party on the one hand and of such indemnified party on the other in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such Losses, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations; provided, however, that in no event shall the Selling Holder be required to contribute an aggregate amount in excess of the dollar amount of proceeds (net of Selling Expenses) received by such Selling Holder from the sale of Registrable Securities giving rise to such indemnification. The relative fault of the indemnifying party on the one hand and the indemnified party on the other shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact has been made by, or relates to, information supplied by such party, and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The parties hereto agree that it would not be just and equitable if contributions pursuant to this paragraph were to be determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation that does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to herein. The amount paid by an indemnified party as a result of the Losses referred to in the first sentence of this paragraph shall be deemed to include any legal and other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any Loss that is the subject of this paragraph. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any Person who is not guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation.

(e) <u>Other Indemnification</u>. The provisions of this <u>Section 2.07</u> shall be in addition to any other rights to indemnification or contribution that an indemnified party may have pursuant to law, equity, contract or otherwise.

Section 2.08. <u>Rule 144 Reporting</u>. With a view to making available the benefits of certain rules and regulations of the Commission that may permit the sale of the Registrable Securities to the public without registration, the Partnership agrees to use its commercially reasonable efforts to:

(a) make and keep public information regarding the Partnership available, as those terms are understood and defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act, at all times from and after the date hereof;

(b) file with the Commission in a timely manner all reports and other documents required of the Partnership under the Exchange Act at all times from and after the date hereof; and

(c) so long as a Holder owns any Registrable Securities, furnish, unless otherwise available via EDGAR, to such Holder forthwith upon request a copy of the most recent annual or quarterly report of the Partnership, and such other reports and documents so filed as such Holder may reasonably request in availing itself of any rule or regulation of the Commission allowing such Holder to sell any such securities without registration.

Section 2.09. <u>Transfer or Assignment of Registration Rights</u>. The rights to cause the Partnership to register Registrable Securities granted to a Holder by the Partnership under this <u>Article II</u> may be transferred or assigned by such Holder to one or more transferee(s) or assignee(s) of such Registrable Securities; *provided, however*, that (a) unless such transferee or assignee is an Affiliate of Energen, each such transferee or assignee holds Registrable Securities representing at least 5% of the then outstanding Registrable Securities, (b) the Partnership is given written notice prior to any said transfer or assignment, stating the name and address of each such transferee or assignee and identifying the Registrable Securities with respect to which such registration rights are being transferred or assigned and (c) each such transferor or assignor agrees to be bound by this Agreement.

Section 2.10. <u>Restrictions on Public Sale by Holders of Registrable Securities</u>. Each Holder agrees to enter into a customary letter agreement with underwriters providing such Holder will not affect any public sale or distribution of the Registrable Securities during the 90 calendar day period beginning on the date of a prospectus or prospectus supplement filed with the Commission with respect to the pricing of an Underwritten Offering; *provided, however*, that (i) the duration of the foregoing restrictions shall be no longer than the duration of the shortest restriction generally imposed by the underwriters on the Partnership or its (or the General Partner's) officers or directors, or any other Unitholder on whom a restriction is imposed and (ii) the restrictions set forth in this <u>Section 2.10</u> shall not apply to any Registrable Securities that are included in such Underwritten Offering by such Holder.

### ARTICLE III MISCELLANEOUS

Section 3.01. <u>Notices</u>. Any notice, statement, demand, claim, offer or other written instrument required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing signed by the Party giving such notice and shall be sent by email, hand messenger delivery, overnight courier service, or certified mail (receipt requested) to each other Party at the address set forth below; provided that to be effective any such notice sent originally by email must be followed within two Business Days by a copy of such notice sent by overnight courier service:

(a) if to Energen:

Energen Resources Corporation 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Email: MZmigrosky@diamondbackenergy.com Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky, General Counsel

- (b) if to a permitted transferee or assignee of a Holder, to such transferee or assignee furnished by such transferee or assignee; and
- (c) if to the Partnership:

Rattler Midstream LP c/o Rattler Midstream GP LLC 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Email: MZmigrosky@diamondbackenergy.com Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky, General Counsel

Each Party shall have the right to change the place to which notices shall be sent or delivered or to specify one additional address to which copies of notices may be sent, in either case by similar notice sent or delivered in like manner to the other Party. Without limiting any other means by which a Party may be able to prove that a notice has been received by another Party, all notices and communications shall be deemed to have been duly given: (i) at the time delivered by hand, if personally delivered; (ii) five Business Days after being deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, if mailed by first class certified mail, receipt requested; (iii) when received, if sent by email, if received prior to 5 p.m., recipient's time, on a Business Day, or on the next Business Day, if received later than 5 p.m., recipient's time; and (iv) on the next Business Day after timely delivery to the courier, if sent by overnight air courier guaranteeing next day delivery. In any case hereunder in which a Party is required or permitted to respond to a notice from another Party within a specified period, such period shall run from the date on which the notice was deemed duly given as above provided, and the response shall be considered to be timely given if given as above provided by the last day of the period provided for such response.

Section 3.02. <u>Successor and Assigns</u>. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and assigns of each of the parties, including subsequent Holders of Registrable Securities to the extent permitted herein.

Section 3.03. <u>Transfers and Assignment of Rights</u>. All or any portion of the rights and obligations of the Holders under this Agreement may be transferred or assigned by the Holders in accordance with <u>Section 2.09</u> hereof.

Section 3.04. <u>Recapitalization, Exchanges, Etc. Affecting the Registrable Securities</u>. The provisions of this Agreement shall apply to the full extent set forth herein with respect to any and all securities of the Partnership or any successor or assign of the Partnership (whether by merger, consolidation, sale of assets or otherwise) that may be issued in respect of, in exchange for or in substitution of, the Registrable Securities, and shall be appropriately adjusted for combinations, splits, recapitalizations, pro rata distributions and the like occurring after the date of this Agreement.

Section 3.05. <u>Specific Performance</u>. Damages in the event of breach of this Agreement by a party hereto may be difficult, if not impossible, to ascertain, and it is therefore agreed that

each party, in addition to and without limiting any other remedy or right it may have, will have the right to an injunction or other equitable relief in any court of competent jurisdiction, enjoining any such breach, and enforcing specifically the terms and provisions hereof, and each of the parties hereto hereby waives any and all defenses it may have on the ground of lack of jurisdiction or competence of the court to grant such an injunction or other equitable relief. The existence of this right will not preclude any such party from pursuing any other rights and remedies at law or in equity that such party may have.

Section 3.06. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts (which may be delivered by electronic transmission). Each counterpart when so executed and delivered shall be deemed an original, and both such counterparts taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Section 3.07. <u>Headings</u>. The headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof.

Section 3.08. Governing Law. The laws of the State of Texas shall govern this Agreement.

Section 3.09. <u>Severability</u>. Whenever possible each provision and term of this Agreement will be interpreted in a manner to be effective and valid. If any term or provision of this Agreement or the application of any such term or provision to any Person or circumstance shall be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions hereof, or the application of such term or provision to Persons or circumstances other than those as to which it has been held invalid, illegal or unenforceable, will remain in full force and effect and will in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated thereby. If any term or provision of this Agreement is held to be prohibited or invalid, then such term or provision will be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity without invalidating or affecting in any manner whatsoever the remainder of such term or provision or the other terms and provisions of this Agreement. Upon determination that any other term or provision of this Agreement is invalid, void, illegal or unenforceable, a court of competent jurisdiction will modify such term or provision so as to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible in an acceptable manner to the end that the transactions contemplated hereby are fulfilled to the fullest extent possible under the Law.

Section 3.10. <u>Scope of Agreement</u>. The rights granted pursuant to this Agreement are intended to supplement and not reduce or replace any rights any Holders may have under the Partnership Agreement with respect to the Registrable Securities. This Agreement is intended by the parties as a final expression of their agreement and intended to be a complete and exclusive statement of the agreement and understanding of the parties hereto in respect of the subject matter contained herein. Except as provided in the Partnership Agreement, there are no restrictions, promises, warranties or undertakings, other than those set forth or referred to herein with respect to the rights granted by the Partnership set forth herein. Except as provided in the Partnership Agreement, this Agreement, this Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the parties with respect to such subject matter.

Section 3.11. <u>Amendment</u>. This Agreement may be modified, amended or supplemented only by written agreement executed by the Partnership and the Holders of a majority of the then outstanding Registrable Securities; *provided*, *however*, that no such amendment shall materially and adversely affect the rights of any Holder hereunder without the consent of such Holder.

Section 3.12. <u>No Presumption</u>. If any claim is made by a party relating to any conflict, omission, or ambiguity in this Agreement, no presumption or burden of proof or persuasion shall be implied by virtue of the fact that this Agreement was prepared by or at the request of a particular party or its counsel.

Section 3.13. <u>Aggregation of Registrable Securities</u>. All Registrable Securities held or acquired by Persons who are Affiliates of one another shall be aggregated together for the purpose of determining the availability of any rights under this Agreement.

Section 3.14. <u>Obligations Limited to Parties to Agreement</u>. Each of the parties hereto covenants, agrees and acknowledges that no Person other than the Partnership and the Holders shall have any obligation hereunder and that, notwithstanding that one or more of the Holders may be a corporation, partnership or limited liability company, no recourse under this Agreement or under any documents or instruments delivered in connection herewith or therewith shall be had against any former, current or future director, officer, employee, agent, general or limited partner, manager, member, stockholder or Affiliate of any of the Holders or any former, current or future director, officer, employee, agent, general or limited partner, manager, member, stockholder or Affiliate of any of the foregoing, whether by the enforcement of any assessment or by any legal or equitable proceeding, or by virtue of any applicable law, it being expressly agreed and acknowledged that no personal liability whatsoever shall attach to, be imposed on or otherwise be incurred by any former, current or future director, officer, employee, agent, general or limited partner, manager, member, stockholder or Affiliate of any of the foregoing, as such, for any obligations of the Holders under this Agreement or any documents or instruments delivered in connection herewith or therewith or for any claim based on, in respect of or by reason of such obligation or its creation, except in each case for any transferee or assignee of the Holders hereunder.

#### [Signature page follows.]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto execute this Agreement, effective as of the date first above written.

### RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

By: Rattler Midstream GP LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

 Name: Teresa L. Dick

 Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

 and Assistant Secretary

### ENERGEN RESOURCES CORPORATION

By:	/s/ Teresa L. Dick	

Name: Teresa L. Dick Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Assistant Secretary

[Signature Page to Registration Rights Agreement]

### EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

## BY AND AMONG

# ENERGEN RESOURCES CORPORATION

## RATTLER MIDSTREAM OPERATING LLC

### RATTLER MIDSTREAM GP LLC

AND

### RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

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### **EXCHANGE AGREEMENT**

This Exchange Agreement (this "*Agreement*"), dated as of May 28, 2019, by and among Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "*Partnership*"), Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "*General Partner*"), Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "*General Partner*"), Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "*Operating Company*"), and Energen Resources Corporation, an Alabama corporation ("*Energen*"). The above-named entities are sometimes referred to in this Agreement as a "*Party*" and collectively as the "*Parties*."

### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Parties hereto desire to provide for the possible future exchange by Energen of OpCo Units (as defined herein) and Class B Units (as defined herein) for Common Units (as defined herein) or cash, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the Parties intend that an Exchange (as defined herein) consummated hereunder be treated for federal income tax purposes, to the extent permitted by law, as a taxable exchange of OpCo Units and Class B Units by Energen.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and undertakings contained herein and for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

### ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 *Definitions*. Capitalized terms used herein but not defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Partnership Agreement (as defined below). As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.

"*Assignee*" means a Person to whom a Membership Interest has been transferred in accordance with the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement but who has not become a Member.

"Applicable Percentage" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(b).

"Business Day" means Monday through Friday of each Week, except that a legal holiday recognized as such by the government of the United States of America or the State of Texas shall not be regarded as a Business Day.

"Cash Amount" means an amount of cash equal to (i) the number of Tendered Units multiplied by (ii) the Current Market Price as of the date of determination.

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"Cash Purchase Price" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(b).

"Class B Units" has the meaning set forth in the Partnership Agreement.

"*Closing Price*" means, as of the date of determination, the last sale price on such day, regular way, or in case no such sale takes place on such day, the average of the closing bid and asked prices on such day, regular way, in either case as reported in the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed or admitted to trading on the principal National Securities Exchange on which the Common Units are listed or admitted to trading.

"*Code*" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and in effect from time to time. Any reference herein to a specific section or sections of the Code shall be deemed to include a reference to any corresponding provision of any successor law.

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

"Common Unit Amount" means a number of Common Units equal to the number of Tendered Units.

"Common Units" has the meaning set forth in the Partnership Agreement.

"Conflicts Committee" has the meaning set forth in the Partnership Agreement.

"*Current Market Price*" means, as of the date of determination, the average of the daily Closing Prices per Common Unit for the 20 consecutive Trading Days immediately prior to such date.

"Cut-Off Date" means the fifth (5th) Business Day after the Partnership's receipt of a Notice of Redemption.

"*Delaware LLC Act*" means the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, 6 Del. C. Section 18-101, et seq., as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

"Delaware LP Act" means the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act, 6 Del C. Section 17-101, et seq., as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

"*Energen*" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement and, where applicable, includes a transferee of Class B Units and OpCo Units as permitted under the Partnership Agreement.

*"Exchange*" means (i) a Redemption by the Partnership of one or more OpCo Units for Common Units and the Redemption Amount and (ii) the purchase of Tendered Units by the Partnership from Energen for the Cash Purchase Price and the Redemption Amount.

"Exchange Right" means the rights of Energen and the Partnership pursuant to Sections 2.1(a) and (b), respectively, of this Agreement.

"Exercise Notice" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(c).

"*Financing Party*" means any and all Persons, or the agents or trustees representing them, providing senior or subordinated debt or tax equity financing or refinancing (including letters of credit, bank guaranties or other credit support).

"General Partner" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.

"Governmental Entity" means any (a) multinational, federal, national, provincial, territorial, state, regional, municipal, local or other government, governmental or public department, central bank, court, tribunal, arbitral body, commission, administrative agency, board, bureau, agency or other statutory body, domestic or foreign, (b) subdivision, agent, commission, board or authority of any of the foregoing, or (c) quasi-governmental or private body exercising any regulatory, expropriation or taxing authority under, or for the account of, any of the foregoing (including the New York Stock Exchange and NASDAQ Stock Market), in each case, that has jurisdiction or authority with respect to the applicable Party.

"*Holder*" means either (a) a Member or (b) an Assignee that owns an OpCo Unit.

"*Laws*" means any and all applicable (a) laws, constitutions, treaties, statutes, codes, ordinances, principles of common law and equity, rules, regulations and municipal bylaws whether domestic, foreign or international, (b) judicial, arbitral, administrative, ministerial, departmental and regulatory judgments, orders, writs, injunctions, decisions and awards of any Governmental Entity, and (c) policies, practices and guidelines of any Governmental Entity which, although not actually having the force of law, are considered by such Governmental Entity as requiring compliance as if having the force of law, and the term "*applicable*," with respect to such Laws and in the context that refers to one or more Persons, means such Laws that apply to such Person or Persons or its or their business, undertaking, property or securities at the relevant time and that emanate from a Governmental Entity having jurisdiction over the Person or Persons or its or their business, undertaking, property or securities.

"Member" has the meaning set forth in the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement.

"Membership Interest" has the meaning set forth in the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement.

"*National Securities Exchange*" means an exchange registered with the Commission under Section 6(a) of the Securities Exchange Act (or any successor to such Section) and any other securities exchange (whether or not registered with the Commission under Section 6(a) of the Securities Exchange Act (or successor to such Section)) that the General Partner shall designate as a National Securities Exchange for purposes of this Agreement.

"Notice of Redemption" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a)(i).

"*OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement*" means the Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of the Operating Company, dated February 18, 2019, as may be amended from time to time.

"OpCo Units" has the meaning set forth in the Partnership Agreement.

"Operating Company" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.

"Partnership" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.

"*Partnership Agreement*" means the First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of Rattler Midstream LP, dated May 28, 2019, as may be amended from time to time.

"Party" or "Parties" has the meaning set forth in the preamble to this Agreement.

"*Person*" means an individual or a corporation, firm, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, unincorporated organization, association, government agency or political subdivision thereof or other entity.

"Redemption" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).

"*Redemption Amount*" means an amount equal to the product of the number of Tendered Units multiplied by the Class B Capital Contribution Per Unit Amount (as defined in the Partnership Agreement).

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

"*Securities Exchange Act*" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

"*Specified Redemption Date*" means the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) Business Day after the receipt by the Operating Company of a Notice of Redemption (or an election to receive the Common Unit Amount and the Redemption Amount in respect of Tendered Units) or as otherwise agreed to in writing by the parties hereto.

"Tendered Units" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1(a).

"*Trading Day*" means a day on which the principal National Securities Exchange on which the Common Units are listed or admitted to trading is open for the transaction of business.

"Treasury Regulations" means the United States Treasury regulations promulgated under the Code.

"Unit" has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 2.1(a)</u>.

Section 1.2 *Gender*. For the purposes of this Agreement, the words "it," "he," "his" or "himself' shall be interpreted to include the masculine, feminine and corporate, other entity or trust form.

### ARTICLE II EXCHANGE

Section 2.1 Redemption and Purchase Rights.

(a) Subject to Section 4.4(b) of the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement, Energen shall have the right, at any time and from time to time (subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein), to require the Partnership to redeem (each, a "*Redemption*") all or a portion of the Class B Units held by Energen, which must be accompanied by an equal number of OpCo Units held by Energen (one OpCo Unit and one Class B Unit are referred to herein as one "*Unit*", and Units that have in fact been tendered for redemption being hereafter referred to as "*Tendered Units*"), in exchange for the Common Unit Amount and the Redemption Amount. The Partnership shall deliver to Energen the Redemption Amount on the same date that it delivers the Common Unit Amount.

(i) If Energen desires to exercise its right to require a Redemption, it shall deliver a written notice to the Partnership and the Operating Company specifying the number of Units Energen desires to tender for redemption (the "*Notice of Redemption*"). The Partnership shall not be obligated to effect a Redemption until the Specified Redemption Date (it being understood that the Partnership will not be required to consummate such Redemption with respect to any Tendered Units that are purchased by the Partnership pursuant to <u>Section 2.1(b)</u>).

(ii) The Common Unit Amount shall be delivered by the Partnership on or before the Specified Redemption Date as duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable Common Units (except as such nonassessability may be affected by Sections 17-303, 17-607 or 18-704 of the Delaware LP Act), free of any pledge, lien, encumbrance or restriction, other than the restrictions provided in the Partnership Agreement, the Securities Act and relevant state securities or "blue sky" laws. Notwithstanding any delay in such delivery, Energen shall be deemed the owner of such Common Units for all purposes, including, without limitation, rights to vote and consent, receive distributions, and exercise rights, as of the Specified Redemption Date. Common Units issued upon a Redemption pursuant to this <u>Section 2.1(a)</u> may contain such legends regarding restrictions under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws as the Partnership in good faith determines to be necessary or advisable in order to ensure compliance with such laws.

(b) In lieu of any Redemption described in Section 2.1(a), the Partnership may, in its sole and absolute discretion (but subject to the approval of the Conflicts Committee), offer to purchase some or all of the Tendered Units (such amount, expressed as a percentage of the total number of Tendered Units rounded up to the nearest Unit, being referred to as the "*Applicable Percentage*") from Energen by delivering a written notice of such election on or before the close of business on the Cut-Off Date. If Energen accepts such offer in writing, on the Specified Redemption Date Energen shall sell such number of the Tendered Units to the Partnership in exchange for a cash sum (the "*Cash Purchase Price*") equal to (x) the Redemption Amount plus (y) the product of the Cash Amount and the Applicable Percentage. If the Partnership offers, subject to the approval of the Conflicts Committee, to purchase some or all of the Tendered Units and Energen accepts such offer:

(i) the Cash Purchase Price shall be delivered, in Energen's sole and absolute discretion, by wire transfer or as a certified or bank check payable to Energen, in each case in immediately available funds and on or before the Specified Redemption Date; and

(ii) the remaining Tendered Units shall be subject to Redemption pursuant to Section 2.1(a).

(c) In the event the Partnership elects to exercise its offer rights pursuant to <u>Section 2.1(b)</u>, the Partnership shall provide a written notice to that effect (an "*Exercise Notice*") to the Operating Company and Energen on or before the close of business on the Cut-Off Date. The failure of the Partnership to provide an Exercise Notice by the close of business on the Cut-Off Date shall be deemed to be an election by the Partnership not to make an offer to purchase any of the Tendered Units. Energen shall have five (5) Business Days after receipt of the Exercise Notice to give written notice of acceptance.

(d) Without limiting the remedies of Energen, if the Partnership offers to purchase some or all of the Tendered Units under <u>Section 2.1(b)</u> for the Cash Purchase Price and Energen accepts, and the Cash Purchase Price is not paid on or before the Specified Redemption Date, interest shall accrue with respect to the Cash Purchase Price from the day after the Specified Redemption Date to and including the date on which the Cash Purchase Price is paid at a rate equal to the Applicable Federal Short-Term Rate as published monthly by the United States Internal Revenue Service.

(e) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, with respect to any Redemption pursuant to <u>Section 2.1(a)</u>, or any purchase of Units by the Partnership pursuant to <u>Section 2.1(b)</u> hereof:

(i) Without the consent of the Partnership, Energen may not effect a Redemption for (A) less than one thousand (1,000) Units or (B) if Energen holds less than one thousand (1,000) Units, all of the Units held by Energen.

(ii) If (A) Energen surrenders Tendered Units during the period after the Record Date with respect to a distribution payable to Holders of OpCo Units, and before the record date established by the Partnership for a distribution to its unitholders of some or all of its portion of such Operating Company distribution, and (B) the Partnership elects to purchase any of such Tendered Units pursuant to <u>Section 2.1(b)</u>, then Energen shall pay to the Partnership on the Specified Redemption Date an amount in cash equal to the Operating Company distribution paid or payable in respect of such Tendered Units.

(iii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the consummation of a Redemption pursuant to <u>Section 2.1(a)</u> hereof or a purchase of Tendered Units by the Partnership pursuant to <u>Section 2.1(b)</u> hereof, as the case may be, shall not be permitted to the extent the Partnership determines that such Redemption or purchase (A) would be prohibited by applicable law or regulation (including, without limitation, the Securities Act, the Delaware LLC Act or the Delaware LP Act) or (B) would not be permitted under the Partnership Agreement, the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement or any other agreements to which the Partnership or the Operating Company may be party or any written policies of the Partnership related to unlawful or improper trading (including, without limitation, the policies of the Partnership relating to insider trading).

(f) The Partnership, the Operating Company and Energen shall bear their own expenses in connection with the consummation of any Exchange, whether or not any such Exchange is ultimately consummated, except that the Operating Company shall bear any transfer taxes, stamp taxes or duties, or other similar taxes in connection with, or arising by reason of, any Exchange; *provided, however*, that if any Common Units are to be delivered in a name other than that of Energen, then Energen and/or the person in whose name such shares are to be delivered shall pay to the Operating Company the amount of any transfer taxes, stamp taxes or duties, or other similar taxes in connection with, or arising by reason of, such Exchange or shall establish to the reasonable satisfaction of the Partnership that such tax has been paid or is not payable.

Section 2.2 *Expiration*. In the event that the Operating Company is dissolved pursuant to the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement, any Exchange Right pursuant to <u>Section 2.1</u> of this Agreement shall terminate upon final distribution of the assets of the Operating Company pursuant to the terms and conditions of the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement.

Section 2.3 *Adjustment*. If there is any reclassification, reorganization, recapitalization or other similar transaction in which the OpCo Units, Common Units or Class B Units, as applicable, are converted or changed into another security, securities or other property, then upon any subsequent Exchange, Energen shall be entitled to receive the amount of such security, securities or other property that Energen would have received if such Exchange had occurred immediately prior to the effective date of such reclassification, reorganization, recapitalization or other similar transaction, taking into account any adjustment as a result of any subdivision (by any split, distribution or dividend, reclassification, reorganization, recapitalization or otherwise) or combination (by reverse split, reclassification, recapitalization or other similar transaction, recapitalization, recapitalization, recapitalization, recapitalization, recapitalization, recoganization, recoganization, recapitalization, recapitalization, recoganization, recapitalization or other similar transaction. For the avoidance of doubt, if there is any reclassification, recoganization, recapitalization or other similar transaction in which the OpCo Units, Common Units or Class B Units, as applicable, are converted or changed into another security, securities or other property, this <u>Section 2.3</u> shall continue to be applicable, mutatis mutandis, with respect to such security or other property. This Agreement shall apply to, mutatis mutandis, and all references to "OpCo Units," "Common Units" or "Class B Units" shall be deemed to include, any securities or other property of the Operating Company or the Partnership, as applicable, which may be issued in respect of, in exchange for or in substitution of the OpCo Units, Common Units or Class B Units, as applicable, which may be issued in respect of, in exchange for or in substitution of the OpCo Units, Common Units or Class B Units, as applicable, by reason of any distribution or dividend, split, reverse s

### ARTICLE III MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 3.1 *Notices*. Any notice, statement, demand, claim, offer or other written instrument required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing signed by the Party giving such notice and shall be sent by email, hand messenger delivery, overnight courier service, or certified mail (receipt requested) to each other Party at the address set forth below; *provided* that to be effective any such notice sent originally by email must be followed within two (2) Business Days by a copy of such notice sent by overnight courier service:

If to the Partnership:

Rattler Midstream LP 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Email: MZmigrosky@diamondbackenergy.com Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky, General Counsel

### If to Energen:

Energen Resources Corporation 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Email: MZmigrosky@diamondbackenergy.com Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky, General Counsel

If to the General Partner:

Rattler Midstream GP LLC 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Email: MZmigrosky@diamondbackenergy.com Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky, General Counsel

If to the Operating Company:

Rattler Midstream Operating LLC 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Email: MZmigrosky@diamondbackenergy.com Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky, General Counsel

Each Party shall have the right to change the place to which notices shall be sent or delivered or to specify one additional address to which copies of notices may be sent, in either case by similar notice sent or delivered in like manner to the other Party. Without limiting any other means by which a Party may be able to prove that a notice has been received by another Party, all notices and communications shall be deemed to have been duly given: (i) at the time delivered by hand, if personally delivered; (ii) five (5) Business Days after being deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, if mailed by first class certified mail, receipt requested; (iii) when received, if sent by email, if received prior to 5 p.m., recipient's time, on a Business Day, or on the next Business Day, if received later than 5 p.m., recipient's time; and (iv) on the next Business Day after timely delivery to the courier, if sent by overnight air courier guaranteeing next day delivery. In any case hereunder in which a Party is required or permitted to respond to a notice from another Party within a specified period, such period shall run from the date on which the notice was deemed duly given as above provided, and the response shall be considered to be timely given if given as above provided by the last day of the period provided for such response.

Section 3.2 *Time is of the Essence.* Time is of the essence of this Agreement; *provided, however*, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, if the time period for the performance of any covenant or obligation, satisfaction of any condition or delivery of any notice or item required under this Agreement shall expire on a day other than a Business Day, such time period shall be extended automatically to the next Business Day.

Section 3.3 *Assignment*. No Party will convey, assign or otherwise transfer either this Agreement or any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other Parties hereto (in each of such Party's sole and absolute discretion). Any such prohibited conveyance, assignment or transfer without the prior written consent of the other Parties will be void *ab initio*. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing contained in this Agreement shall preclude (i) any pledge, hypothecation or other transfer or assignment of a Party's rights, title and interest under this Agreement, including any amounts payable to such

Party under this Agreement, to a *bona fide* Financing Party as security for debt financing to such Party or one of its Affiliates, or (ii) the assignment of such rights, title and interest under this Agreement upon exercise of remedies by a Financing Party following a default by such Party or one of its Affiliates under the financing agreements entered into with the Financing Parties.

Section 3.4 *Parties in Interest.* This Agreement is binding upon and is for the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns. This Agreement is not made for the benefit of any Person not a party hereto, and no Person other than the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns will acquire or have any benefit, right, remedy or claim under or by virtue of this Agreement.

Section 3.5 *Captions*. All Section titles or captions contained in this Agreement or in the table of contents of this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not be deemed to be a part of this Agreement or affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

Section 3.6 *Severability.* Whenever possible each provision and term of this Agreement will be interpreted in a manner to be effective and valid. If any term or provision of this Agreement or the application of any such term or provision to any Person or circumstance shall be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions hereof, or the application of such term or provision to Persons or circumstances other than those as to which it has been held invalid, illegal or unenforceable, will remain in full force and effect and will in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated thereby. If any term or provision of this Agreement is held to be prohibited or invalid, then such term or provision will be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity without invalidating or affecting in any manner whatsoever the remainder of such term or provision or the other terms and provisions of this Agreement. Upon determination that any other term or provision of this Agreement is invalid, void, illegal or unenforceable, a court of competent jurisdiction will modify such term or provision so as to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible in an acceptable manner to the end that the transactions contemplated hereby are fulfilled to the fullest extent possible under the Law.

### Section 3.7 Applicable Law; Forum; Venue and Jurisdiction; Waiver of Trial by Jury.

(a) This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Texas, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law.

### (b) Each of the Parties:

(i) irrevocably agrees that any claims, suits, actions or proceedings arising out of or relating in any way to this Agreement (including any claims, suits or actions to interpret, apply or enforce the provisions of this Agreement or the duties, obligations or liabilities among the Parties, or the rights or powers of, or restrictions on, the Parties) shall be exclusively brought in the District Court of Texas (or, if such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction thereof, any other court located in the State of Texas with subject matter jurisdiction), in each case regardless of whether such claims, suits, actions or proceedings sound in contract, tort, fraud or otherwise, are based on common law, statutory, equitable, legal or other grounds, or are derivative or direct claims;

(ii) irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the District Court of Texas (or, if such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction thereof, any other court located in the State of Texas with subject matter jurisdiction) in connection with any such claim, suit, action or proceeding;

(iii) agrees not to, and waives any right to, assert in any such claim, suit, action or proceeding that (A) it is not personally subject to the jurisdiction of the District Court of Texas or of any other court to which proceedings in the Court of Chancery of the State of Texas may be appealed, (B) such claim, suit, action or proceeding is brought in an inconvenient forum, or (C) the venue of such claim, suit, action or proceeding is improper;

(iv) expressly waives any requirement for the posting of a bond by a party bringing such claim, suit, action or proceeding;

(v) consents to process being served in any such claim, suit, action or proceeding by mailing, certified mail, return receipt requested, a copy thereof to such party at the address in effect for notices hereunder, and agrees that such services shall constitute good and sufficient service of process and notice thereof; *provided*, nothing in this clause (v) shall affect or limit any right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law; and

## (vi) IRREVOCABLY WAIVES THE RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY SUCH CLAIM, SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING.

Section 3.8 *Entire Agreement*. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and this Agreement supersedes all prior negotiations, agreements or understandings of the Parties of any nature, whether oral or written, relating thereto.

Section 3.9 Amendment. This Agreement may be modified, amended or supplemented only by written agreement executed by the Parties.

Section 3.10 *Successors and Assigns*. Except as contemplated by <u>Section 3.3</u>, neither this Agreement nor any of the rights or obligations hereunder shall be assigned by any of the parties hereto without the prior written consent of the other parties. Subject to the preceding sentence, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the parties and their respective successors and assigns.

Section 3.11 *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts (which may be delivered by electronic transmission). Each counterpart when so executed and delivered shall be deemed an original, and both such counterparts taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

### Section 3.12 Tax Matters.

(a) If the Partnership or the Operating Company shall be required to withhold any amounts by reason of any federal, state, local or foreign tax rules or regulations in respect of any Exchange, the Partnership or the Operating Company, as the case may be, shall be entitled to take such action as it deems appropriate in order to ensure compliance with such withholding requirements, including, without limitation, at its option withholding from,

and paying over to the appropriate taxing authority, any consideration otherwise payable to Energen under this Agreement, and any such withheld amounts shall be treated for all purposes of this Agreement as having been paid to the person in respect of which such deduction and withholding was made. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, each of the Partnership and the Operating Company may, at its own discretion, require as a condition to the effectiveness of an Exchange that an exchanging holder of Tendered Units deliver to the Partnership or the Operating Company, as the case may be, a certification of non-foreign status in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.1445-2(b).

(b) This Agreement shall be treated as part of the OpCo Limited Liability Company Agreement as described in Section 761(c) of the Code and Sections 1.704-1(b)(2)(ii)(h) and 1.761-1(c) of the Treasury Regulations.

### [Signature Page Follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered, all as of the date first set forth above.

# **Rattler Midstream GP LLC**

I	By:	/s/ Teresa L. Dick
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	Title:	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer
		and Assistant Secretary
]	Rattler	Midstream LP
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		its general partner
I	By:	/s/ Teresa L. Dick
I	Name:	Teresa L. Dick
	Title:	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer
		and Assistant Secretary
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]	Rattler	Midstream Operating LLC

By:	/s/ Teresa L. Dick
Name:	Teresa L. Dick
Title:	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

# **Energen Resources Corporation**

By:	/s/ Teresa L. Dick
Name:	Teresa L. Dick
Title:	Executive Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer
	and Assistant Secretary

[Signature Page to Exchange Agreement]

Exhibit 10.2

**Execution Version** 

### **CREDIT AGREEMENT**

### DATED AS OF MAY 28, 2019

AMONG

### RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP, As PARENT,

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM OPERATING LLC, AS BORROWER,

### WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT,

# THE LENDERS PARTY HERETO, AND

Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Bookrunners

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THIS CREDIT AGREEMENT, dated as of May 28, 2019, is among: Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "<u>Parent</u>"); Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "<u>Borrower</u>"); each of the Lenders from time to time party hereto; and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (in its individual capacity, "<u>Wells Fargo</u>"), as administrative agent for the Lenders (in such capacity, together with its successors in such capacity, the "<u>Administrative Agent</u>").

# RECITALS

A. Upon consummation of the Parent IPO (as defined below) and the transactions contemplated thereby, the Borrower will become a subsidiary of the Parent, and the Parent will become the managing member of the Borrower.

B. The Parent and the Borrower have requested that the Lenders provide certain loans to and extensions of credit on behalf of the Borrower.

C. The Lenders have agreed to make such loans and extensions of credit subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

D. Now, therefore, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained and of the loans, extensions of credit and commitments hereinafter referred to, the parties hereto agree as follows:

### ARTICLE I Definitions and Accounting Matters

Section 1.01 <u>Terms Defined Above</u>. As used in this Agreement, each term defined above has the meaning indicated above.

Section 1.02 <u>Certain Defined Terms</u>. 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, are bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Alternate Base Rate.

"<u>Acquisition Period</u>" means any period commencing on the date that a Material Acquisition is consummated (so long as the Borrower has delivered written notice to the Administrative Agent that it is electing in its sole discretion to commence an Acquisition Period no later than the later to occur of (a) fifteen (15) days after such date or (b) the last day of the first fiscal quarter ending during such Acquisition Period) through and including the last day of the second full fiscal quarter following the date on which such acquisition is consummated; *provided* that there shall be at least one (1) full fiscal quarter between any two (2) Acquisition Periods.

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"Additional Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.06(c)(i).

"Additional Lender Certificate" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.06(c)(ii)(G).

"<u>Adjusted LIBO Rate</u>" means, with respect to any Eurodollar Borrowing for any Interest Period, an interest rate per annum (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the next 1/100 of 1%) equal to the LIBO Rate for such Interest Period multiplied by the Statutory Reserve Rate.

"Administrative Agent" has the meaning assigned such term in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Administrative Questionnaire" means an Administrative Questionnaire in a form supplied by the Administrative Agent.

"Affected Loans" has the meaning assigned such term in Section 5.05(a).

"<u>Affiliate</u>" 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 Person specified. Solely for the purposes of this definition, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, any Person that owns directly or indirectly 10% or more of the Equity Interests having ordinary voting power for the election of the directors or other governing body of a Person (other than as a limited partner of such other Person) will be deemed to "<u>Control</u>" such other Person. "<u>Controlling</u>" and "<u>Controlled</u>" have meanings correlative thereto for purposes of this definition.

"Agents" means, collectively, the Administrative Agent and any other agent for the Lenders from time to time appointed under this Agreement.

"Aggregate LC Commitment" means \$150,000,000.

"Agreement" means this Credit Agreement, as the same may be amended, amended and restated, modified or supplemented from time to time.

"<u>Alternate Base Rate</u>" means, for any day, a rate per annum equal to the greatest of (a) the Prime Rate in effect on such day, (b) the Federal Funds Effective Rate in effect on such day plus  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1.00% and (c)(i) the Adjusted LIBO Rate for a three month Interest Period on such day (or if such day is not a Business Day, the immediately preceding Business Day) plus (ii) 1.00%, provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, the Adjusted LIBO Rate for any day shall be based on the rate at which dollar deposits of \$5,000,000 with a three month maturity are offered by the principal London office of the Administrative Agent in immediately available funds in the London interbank market at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time, on such day (or the immediately preceding Business Day if such day is not a day on which banks are open for dealings in dollar deposits in the London interbank market). Any change in the Alternate Base Rate due to a change in the Prime Rate, the Federal Funds Effective Rate or the Adjusted LIBO Rate, respectively.

"<u>Annualized EBITDA</u>" means, for any Rolling Period ending on or prior March 31, 2020, the sum of (a) EBITDA for such Rolling Period (without giving effect to any Material Project Add-Back added to Consolidated Net Income in the calculation of EBITDA) multiplied by the factor for such Rolling Period set forth in the grid below, plus (b) any Material Project Add-Back for such Rolling Period:

Rolling Period Ending	Factor
September 30, 2019	4
December 31, 2019	2
March 31, 2020	4/3

"<u>Annualized Interest Expense</u>" means, for any Rolling Period ending on or prior to March 31, 2020, Consolidated Interest Expense for such Rolling Period multiplied by the factor for such Rolling Period set forth in the grid below:

Rolling Period Ending	Factor
September 30, 2019	4
December 31, 2019	2
March 31, 2020	4/3

"<u>Anti-Corruption Laws</u>" means all state or federal laws, rules, and regulations applicable to the Borrower or its Subsidiaries from time to time concerning or relating to bribery or corruption, including the FCPA.

"<u>Applicable Margin</u>" means, for any day, with respect to any ABR Loan or Eurodollar Loan, or with respect to the Commitment Fee Rate, as the case may be, the rate per annum set forth in the grid below based upon the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio, determined as provided below in this definition:

Loval	Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio	Eurodollar Loans	ABR Loans	Commitment
Level		(margin)	<u>(margin)</u>	Fee Rate
1	Less than 3.00 to 1.00	1.250%	0.250%	0.250%
2	Greater than or equal to 3.00 to 1.00 but less than 3.50 to 1.00	1.375%	0.375%	0.300%
3	Greater than or equal to 3.50 to 1.00 but less than 4.00 to 1.00	1.500%	0.500%	0.300%
4	Greater than or equal to 4.00 but less than 4.50 to 1.00	1.750%	0.750%	0.375%
5	Greater than or equal to 4.50 to 1.00	2.250%	1.250%	0.375%

For purposes of this definition, the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio shall be calculated quarterly, as of the last day of each fiscal quarter of the Borrower. Each change in the Applicable Margin resulting from a calculation of the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio shall become effective on and after the date on which financial statements for such fiscal quarter and a compliance certificate showing such calculation are delivered to the Lenders pursuant to Section 8.01(a), (b) or (c) and shall remain in effect until the next such financial statements and compliance certificate are so delivered; *provided, however*, that (x) if at any time the Parent and the Borrower fail to deliver any financial statements or a compliance certificate required by Section 8.01(a), (b) or (c), as applicable, then, for the period commencing on the date of such failure and ending on the date on which such financial statements and compliance certificate are delivered, the "Applicable Margin" means the rate per annum set forth on the grid when the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio is at level "5" in the grid set forth above and (y) subject to the foregoing clause (x), for the period commencing on the Effective Date and until the date on which the financial statements and compliance certificate Total Leverage Ratio is at level "1" in the grid set forth above.

"<u>Applicable Percentage</u>" means, with respect to any Lender, the percentage of the aggregate Commitments represented by such Lender's Commitment (or, if the Commitments have terminated or expired, the percentage of the aggregate Revolving Credit Exposure represented by such Lender's Revolving Credit Exposure at such time); *provided* that in the case of Section 2.09 when a Defaulting Lender shall exist, "Applicable Percentage" as used in such Section 2.09 shall mean the percentage of the Commitments (disregarding any Defaulting Lender's Commitments) represented by such Lender's Commitments (or, if the Commitments have terminated or expired, the "Applicable Percentage" shall be determined based upon the aggregate Revolving Credit Exposure then in effect, disregarding any Defaulting Lender's Revolving Credit Exposure, and the percentage of such aggregate Revolving Credit Exposure represented by such Lender's Revolving Credit Exposure at such time).

"<u>Approved Counterparty</u>" shall mean any Person who, with respect to a Swap Agreement, is (a) a Secured Swap Party, or (b) any other Person whose issuer rating or long term senior unsecured debt rating at the time of entry into such Swap Agreement is A-/A3 by S&P or Moody's (or their equivalent) or higher (or whose obligations under the applicable Swap Agreement are guaranteed by a Person meeting such rating standards).

"<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.

"<u>Arrangers</u>" means Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated (or any other registered broker-dealer wholly-owned by Bank of America Corporation to which all or substantially all of Bank of America Corporation's or any of its subsidiaries' investment banking, commercial lending services or related businesses may be transferred following the date of this Agreement), in their respective capacities as the joint lead arrangers and joint bookrunners hereunder.

"ASC" means the Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification, as in effect from time to time.

"<u>Asset Disposition</u>" means the Transfer by a Credit Party of any or all of the assets of (including, without limitation, Equity Interests owned by) such Credit Party; *provided* that none of the following shall constitute Asset Dispositions:

(a) a Transfer (or series of related Transfers) of Property of such Person having a fair market value of less than \$15,000,000;

(b) a Transfer between or among the Borrower and the Guarantors;

(c) a Transfer of cash or cash equivalents;

(d) the sale of inventory in the ordinary course of business;

(e) the Transfer of obsolete or worn out property, or property that is no longer used or useful in the conduct of the business of the Parent, the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries;

(f) Transfers of accounts receivable permitted by Section 9.09;

(g) the early termination or unwinding of any Swap Agreement;

(h) a Restricted Payment not prohibited by Section 9.04 or an Investment not prohibited by Section 9.05;

(i) a surrender or waiver of contract rights or the settlement, release or surrender of contract, tort or other claims of any kind; and

(j) any licensing or sublicensing of intellectual property or other general intangibles to the extent that such license does not prohibit the licensor from using the intellectual property, and licenses, leases or subleases of other Property.

"<u>Assignment and Assumption</u>" 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 12.04(b)), and accepted by the Administrative Agent, in the form of <u>Exhibit F</u> or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent.

"Availability" means, as of any date, an amount equal to (a) the total Commitments on such date less (b) the total Revolving Credit Exposures of the Lenders on such date.

"Availability Period" means the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the Termination 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.

"<u>Bail-In Legislation</u>" 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.

"Beneficial Ownership Certification" means a certification regarding beneficial ownership as required by the Beneficial Ownership Regulation.

"Beneficial Ownership Regulation" means 31 C.F.R. § 1010.230.

"<u>Benefiting Guarantor</u>" means a Guarantor for which funds or other support are necessary for such Guarantor to constitute an Eligible Contract Participant.

"Board" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the United States of America or any successor Governmental Authority.

"Borrower" has the meaning assigned such term in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"Borrowing" means Loans of the same Type, made, converted or continued on the same date and, in the case of Eurodollar Loans, as to which a single Interest Period is in effect.

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

"<u>Business Day</u>" means any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in New York City, Midland, Texas or Houston, Texas are authorized or required by law to remain closed; and if such day relates to a Borrowing or continuation of, a payment or prepayment of principal of or interest on, or a conversion of or into, or the Interest Period for, a Eurodollar Loan or a notice by the Borrower with respect to any such Borrowing or continuation, payment, prepayment, conversion or Interest Period, any day which is also a day on which dealings in dollar deposits are carried out in the London interbank market.

"<u>Capital Expenditures</u>" of a Person means expenditures and costs that are capitalized on the balance sheet of such Person in accordance with GAAP.

"<u>Capital Leases</u>" means, subject to Section 1.05, in respect of any Person, all leases that shall have been, or should have been, in accordance with GAAP, recorded as capital leases on the balance sheet of the Person liable (whether contingent or otherwise) for the payment of rent thereunder.

"<u>Cash Collateralize</u>" means, to pledge and deposit with or deliver to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of one or more of the Issuing Banks or the Lenders, as collateral for LC Exposure or obligations of the Lenders to fund participations in respect of LC Exposure, cash or deposit account balances or, if the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank shall agree, in their sole discretion, other credit support, in each case pursuant to documentation in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank. "<u>Cash Collateral</u>" shall have a meaning correlative to the foregoing and shall include the proceeds of such Cash Collateral and other credit support.

"<u>Cash Management Agreement</u>" means any agreement to provide cash management services, including treasury, depository, overdraft, credit or debit card, electronic funds transfer and other cash management arrangements.

"<u>Cash Management Provider</u>" means any Person that, at the time it enters into a Cash Management Agreement with a Credit Party, is a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender, the Administrative Agent or an Affiliate of the Administrative Agent, in its capacity as a party to such Cash Management Agreement.

"CERCLA" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Environmental Laws".

"<u>Change in Control</u>" means (a) the acquisition of ownership, directly or indirectly, beneficially or of record, by any Person or group (within the meaning of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules of the SEC thereunder as in effect on the date hereof) of Equity Interests representing more than 50% of the aggregate ordinary voting power represented by the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of Diamondback, (b) Diamondback shall cease to directly or indirectly own Equity Interests representing more than 50% of the aggregate ordinary voting power represented by the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of the General Partner, (c) the General Partner shall cease to be the sole general partner of the Parent, with substantially the same powers to manage the Parent as are granted to the General Partner under the Parent Partnership Agreement on the Effective Date, (d) at any time after the Parent IPO, the Parent shall cease to be the sole managing member of the Borrower or shall cease to own Equity Interests representing 100% of the ordinary voting power represented by the issued and outstanding Equity Interests in the Borrower, or (e) the occurrence of a "change of control", "change in control", or substantively similar provision under any Senior Notes Indenture or any other Material Indebtedness.

"<u>Change in Law</u>" means (a) the adoption of any law, treaty, rule or regulation after the date of this Agreement, (b) any change in any law, treaty, rule or regulation or in the interpretation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority after the date of this Agreement or (c) compliance by any Lender or the Issuing Bank (or, for purposes of Section 5.01(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 or directive (whether or not having the force of law) of any Governmental Authority made or issued after the date of this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (i) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements or directives thereunder or issued in connection therewith (whether or not having the force of law) or in implementation thereof, and (ii) all requests, rules, regulations, guidelines, interpretations, requirements, and 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 (whether or not having the force of law), 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.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, and any successor statute.

"Collateral" means all Property which is subject to a Lien under one or more Security Instruments.

"<u>Commitment</u>" means, with respect to each Lender, the commitment of such Lender to make Loans and to acquire participations in Letters of Credit hereunder, expressed as an amount representing the maximum aggregate amount of such Lender's Revolving Credit Exposure hereunder, as such commitment may be (a) modified from time to time pursuant to Section 2.06 and (b) modified from time to time pursuant to assignments by or to such Lender pursuant to Section 12.04(b). The initial amount of each Lender's Commitment is set forth on <u>Annex I</u> hereto, in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender shall have assumed its Commitment or in the Additional Lender Certificate pursuant to which any Additional Lender shall have provided any additional Commitment, as applicable. The aggregate amount of the Lenders' Commitments on the Effective Date is \$600,000,000.

"Commitment Fee Rate" has the meaning set forth in the definition of "Applicable Margin".

"Commitment Increase Certificate" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.06(c)(ii)(F).

"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.

"<u>Connection Income Taxes</u>" means Other Connection Taxes that are imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated) or that are franchise Taxes or branch profits Taxes.

"<u>Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio</u>" means, as of any date of calculation, the ratio of (a) EBITDA (or, in the case of the Rolling Periods ending on September 30, 2019, December 31, 2019, and March 31, 2020, Annualized EBITDA) to (b) the Consolidated Interest Expense (or, in the case of the Rolling Periods ending on September 30, 2019, December 31, 2019, and March 31, 2020, Annualized Interest Expense), in each case for the Rolling Period ending (i) for purposes of Section 9.01, on such date or (ii) for purposes of calculations of the Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio on any date other than the last day of a fiscal quarter, on the last day of the most recent fiscal quarter for which financial statements are available. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, (x) for any calculation of Consolidated Interest Expense on and after the Effective Date through but not including the date on which financial statements for the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2019 are delivered pursuant to Section 8.01(b), Consolidated Interest Expense shall be deemed to be \$0.00, and (y) for any calculation of Consolidated Interest Expense (other than for purposes of Section 9.01) following the date on which financial statements for the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2019 are delivered pursuant to Section 8.01(b) and prior to the date on which financial statements for the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2019 are delivered pursuant to Section 8.01(b) and prior to the date on which financial statements for the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2019 are delivered pursuant to Section 8.01(b), Consolidated Interest Expense shall be deemed to be actual Consolidated Interest Expense for the two fiscal quarter period ending on June 30, 2019 multiplied by two.

"<u>Consolidated Interest Expense</u>" means, subject to Section 1.05, for any period, the sum (determined without duplication) of the aggregate gross interest expense of the Parent and the

Consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, (1) including (a) interest expense under GAAP, (b) capitalized interest, and (c) the portion of any payments or accruals under Capital Leases allocable to interest expense, plus the portion of any payments or accruals under Synthetic Leases allocable to interest expense under GAAP, but (2) excluding the amortization of debt discount and fees and expenses related to the issuance of Debt, Capital Leases, Synthetic Leases, the Senior Notes or the Indebtedness.

"<u>Consolidated Net Income</u>" means, for any period of determination, the aggregate of the net income (or loss) of the Parent and the Consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries for such period determined on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP; *provided* that there shall be excluded from such net income (to the extent otherwise included therein) the following: (a) the net income of an Unrestricted Subsidiary or any Person in which the Parent or any Consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries have an interest (which interest does not cause the net income of such other Person to be consolidated with the net income of the Parent and the Consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries in accordance with GAAP), except to the extent of the amount of dividends or distributions actually paid in cash during such period by such Unrestricted Subsidiary or other Person to the Parent or to a Consolidated Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be; (b) the net income (but not loss) during such period of any Consolidated Restricted Subsidiary to the extent that the declaration or payment of dividends or similar distributions or transfers or loans by that Consolidated Restricted Subsidiary is not at the time permitted by operation of the terms of its charter or any agreement, instrument or Governmental Requirement applicable to such Consolidated Restricted Subsidiary or is otherwise restricted or prohibited, in each case determined in accordance with GAAP; (c) any extraordinary, unusual or non-recurring gains or losses during such period and (d) any gains or losses attributable to writeups or writedowns of assets; and provided further that if the Parent or any Consolidated Restricted Subsidiary, then Consolidated Net Income shall be calculated after giving *pro forma* effect to such acquisition, disposition or redesignation as if such acquisition, disposition or redesignation had occurred on the first day of such period.

"<u>Consolidated Net Tangible Assets</u>" means, as of any date of determination, an amount equal to (a) the total assets of the Credit Parties (less applicable reserves and other properly deductible items but including investments in non-consolidated Persons) <u>minus</u> (b) the sum of the current liabilities of the Credit Parties (excluding current maturities of Debt and any current liabilities constituting Debt by reason of being renewable or extendible at the option of the obligor) and the intangible assets of the Credit Parties, all as set forth on the consolidated balance sheet of the Credit Parties, and computed in accordance with GAAP, as of the end of the immediately preceding fiscal quarter of the Parent for which the Parent has delivered financial statements pursuant to Section 8.01(a) and Section 8.01(b).

"Consolidated Restricted Subsidiary" means each Consolidated Subsidiary that is a Restricted Subsidiary.

"<u>Consolidated Senior Secured Debt</u>" means, for the Parent and the Consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries, all of their Total Debt that is secured by contractual Liens on any of their Property.

"<u>Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio</u>" means, as of any date of calculation, the ratio of (a) Consolidated Senior Secured Debt as of such date net of (i) all unrestricted cash and cash equivalents of the Parent, the Borrower and the other Restricted Subsidiaries if no amounts were drawn under this Agreement as of such date or (ii) up to \$25.0 million in unrestricted cash and cash equivalents of the Parent, the Borrower and the other Restricted Subsidiaries if any amounts were drawn under this Agreement as of such date (it being understood that (x) cash or cash equivalents that would appear as "restricted" on a consolidated balance sheet of the Parent or any of the Borrower or the other Restricted Subsidiaries solely because such cash or cash equivalents are subject to a Control Agreement for the benefit of the Administrative Agent shall constitute unrestricted cash and cash equivalents and (y) cash and cash equivalents shall be included in the determination of cash and cash equivalents only to the extent that such cash and cash equivalents are maintained in accounts subject to a Control Agreement for the benefit of the Administrative Agent) to (b) EBITDA (or Annualized EBITDA, in the case of the Rolling Periods ending on September 30, 2019, December 31, 2019, and March 31, 2020) for the Rolling Period ending (A) for purposes of Section 9.01, on such date or (B) for purposes of calculations of the Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio on any date other than the last day of a fiscal quarter, on the last day of the most recent fiscal quarter for which financial statements are available.

"<u>Consolidated Subsidiaries</u>" means each Subsidiary of the Parent (whether now existing or hereafter created or acquired) the financial statements of which shall be (or should have been) consolidated with the financial statements of the Parent in accordance with GAAP.

"<u>Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio</u>" means, as of any date of calculation, the ratio of (a) Total Debt as of such date net of (i) all unrestricted cash and cash equivalents of the Parent, the Borrower and the other Restricted Subsidiaries if no amounts were drawn under this Agreement as of such date or (ii) up to \$25.0 million in unrestricted cash and cash equivalents of the Parent, the Borrower and the other Restricted Subsidiaries if any amounts were drawn under this Agreement as of such date (it being understood that (x) cash or cash equivalents that would appear as "restricted" on a consolidated balance sheet of the Parent or any of the Borrower or the other Restricted Subsidiaries solely because such cash or cash equivalents are subject to a Control Agreement for the benefit of the Administrative Agent shall constitute unrestricted cash or cash equivalents and (y) cash and cash equivalents shall be included in the determination of cash and cash equivalents only to the extent that such cash and cash equivalents are maintained in accounts subject to a Control Agreement for the benefit of the Administrative Agent) to (b) EBITDA (or, in the case of the Rolling Periods ending on September 30, 2019, December 31, 2019, and March 31, 2020, Annualized EBITDA) for the Rolling Period ending (i) for purposes of Section 9.01, on such date or (ii) for purposes of calculations of the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio on any date other than the last day of a fiscal quarter, on the last day of the most recent fiscal quarter for which financial statements are available.

"Consolidated Unrestricted Subsidiary" means each Consolidated Subsidiary that is an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

"<u>Control</u>" 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. "<u>Controlling</u>" and "<u>Controlled</u>" have meanings correlative thereto.

"<u>Control Agreement</u>" means a deposit account control agreement, commodities account control agreement, or securities account control agreement (or similar agreement), as applicable, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, executed by one or more Credit Parties, the Administrative Agent and the relevant financial institution party thereto, which establishes the Administrative Agent's control (within the meaning of Section 9-104, 9-106 and 8-106, as applicable, of the UCC) with respect to the applicable deposit account, commodities account, or securities account covered thereby.

"Credit Parties" means, collectively, the Borrower and each Guarantor, and "Credit Party" means any one of the foregoing.

"Debt" means, for any Person, the sum of the following (without duplication): (a) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money or evidenced by bonds, bankers' acceptances, debentures, notes or other similar instruments; (b) all obligations of such Person (whether contingent or otherwise) in respect of letters of credit, surety or other bonds and similar instruments; (c) all accounts payable and all accrued expenses, liabilities or other obligations of such Person to pay the deferred purchase price of Property or services, but excluding those from time to time incurred in the ordinary course of business that are not greater than sixty (60) days past the date such payment is due or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate action and for which adequate reserves have been maintained in accordance with GAAP; (d) all obligations under Capital Leases; (e) all obligations under Synthetic Leases; (f) all Debt (as defined in the other clauses of this definition) of others secured by (or for which the holder of such Debt has an existing right, contingent or otherwise, to be secured by) a Lien on any Property of such Person, whether or not such Debt is assumed by such Person, to the extent of the lesser of the amount of such Debt and the fair market value of the Property subject to such Lien; (g) all Debt (as defined in the other clauses of this definition) of others guaranteed by such Person or with respect to which such Person otherwise assures a creditor against loss of the Debt (howsoever such assurance shall be made) to the extent of the lesser of the amount of such Debt and the maximum stated amount of such guarantee or assurance against loss; (h) all obligations or undertakings of such Person to maintain or cause to be maintained the financial position or covenants of others or to purchase the Debt or Property of others; (i) obligations to deliver commodities, goods or services, including, without limitation, Hydrocarbons, in consideration of one or more advance payments, other than gas balancing arrangements in the ordinary course of business; (j) obligations to pay for goods or services even if such goods or services are not actually received or utilized by such Person; (k) any Debt of a partnership for which such Person is liable either by agreement, by operation of law or by a Governmental Requirement but only to the extent of such liability; and (1) Disqualified Capital Stock. The Debt of any Person shall include all obligations of such Person of the character described above to the extent such Person remains legally liable in respect thereof notwithstanding that any such obligation is not included as a liability of such Person under GAAP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, "Debt" shall not include (i) any obligation arising from agreements of the Parent or any Restricted Subsidiary providing for indemnification, contribution, adjustment of purchase price, earn-outs, holdbacks, deferred compensation or similar obligations, in each case, incurred or assumed in connection with the disposition or acquisition of any business, assets or Equity Interests of a Restricted Subsidiary in a transaction permitted by this Agreement, (ii) any obligation under any gathering, processing, compression, transporting, fractionating, waste water treatment or other operational contract entered into in the ordinary course of business (other than (A) any obligation in respect of borrowed money or (B) any obligation that constitutes Debt under

clause (i) set forth above in this definition of "Debt"), (iii) any agreement to make an Investment in form of a purchase of any Equity Interests (or any guaranty of another Person's obligation to make such an Investment) if, at the time such agreement is made, the Investment contemplated thereby could have been made pursuant to Section 9.05, or (iv) for the avoidance of doubt, Swap Obligations and direct or indirect guaranties thereof, and other credit support therefor.

"<u>Debtor Relief Laws</u>" means the Bankruptcy Code of the United States of America, and all other liquidation, conservatorship, bankruptcy, 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.

"Deeds" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.16(d).

"Default" 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 to (i) fund all or any portion of the Loans or participations in Letters of Credit required to be funded by it hereunder within two (2) Business Days of the date such Loans or participations were required to be funded hereunder, or (ii) pay to the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any other Lender any other amount required to be paid by it hereunder (including in respect of its participation in Letters of Credit) within three (3) Business Days of the date when due, (b) has notified the Borrower, the Administrative Agent or any Issuing Bank in writing that it does not intend to comply with its funding obligations hereunder, or has made a public statement to that effect, (c) has failed, within three (3) Business Days after written request by the Administrative Agent or the Borrower, to confirm in writing to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower that it will comply with its prospective funding obligations hereunder (provided that such Lender shall cease to be a Defaulting Lender pursuant to this clause (c) upon receipt of such written confirmation by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower), or (d) has, or has a direct or indirect parent company that has, (i) become the subject of a proceeding under any Debtor Relief Law, (ii) had appointed for it a receiver, custodian, conservator, trustee, administrator, assignee for the benefit of creditors or similar Person charged with reorganization or liquidation of its business or assets, including the FDIC or any other state or federal regulatory authority acting in such a capacity or (iii) become the subject of a Bail-In Action; provided that a Lender shall not be a Defaulting Lender solely by virtue of the ownership or acquisition of any Equity Interest in that Lender or any direct or indirect parent company thereof by a Governmental Authority so long as such ownership interest does not result in or provide such Lender with immunity from the jurisdiction of courts within the United States or from the enforcement of judgments or writs of attachment on its assets or permit such Lender (or such Governmental Authority) to reject, repudiate, disavow or disaffirm any contracts or agreements made with such Lender. Any determination by the Administrative Agent that a Lender is a Defaulting Lender under clauses (a) through (d) above shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error, and such Lender shall be deemed to be a Defaulting Lender (subject to Section 2.09) upon delivery of written notice of such determination to the Borrower, the Issuing Bank and each Lender.

"Diamondback" means Diamondback Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Disqualified Capital Stock" means any Equity Interest that, by its terms (or by the terms of any security into which it is convertible or for which it is exchangeable) or upon the happening of any event, matures or is mandatorily redeemable for any consideration other than other Equity Interests (which would not constitute Disqualified Capital Stock), pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise, or is convertible or exchangeable for Debt or redeemable for any consideration other than other Equity Interests (which would not constitute Disqualified Capital Stock), pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise, or is convertible or exchangeable for Debt or redeemable for any consideration other than other Equity Interests (which would not constitute Disqualified Capital Stock) at the option of the holder thereof, in whole or in part, on or prior to the date that is one (1) year after the earlier of (a) the Maturity Date and (b) the date on which there are no Loans, LC Exposure or other obligations hereunder outstanding and all of the Commitments are terminated. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Equity Interest that would constitute Disqualified Capital Stock solely because the holders of the Equity Interest have the right to require the Borrower to repurchase or redeem such Equity Interest upon or following the occurrence of a change of control or an asset sale will not constitute Disqualified Capital Stock if the terms of such Equity Interest provide that the Parent or the relevant Restricted Subsidiary may not repurchase or redeem any such Equity Interest pursuant to such provisions unless such repurchase or redeemfor 0.04 hereof.

"dollars" or "<u>\$</u>" refers to lawful money of the United States of America.

"Domestic Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary that is organized under the laws of the United States of America or any state thereof or the District of Columbia.

"EBITDA" means, for any period, (a) the sum (without duplication) of Consolidated Net Income for such period plus the following expenses or charges to the extent deducted from Consolidated Net Income in such period: (i) interest, (ii) income taxes, (iii) depreciation, (iv) amortization, (v) all noncash charges, including expenses relating to stock based compensation and hedging, and (vi) any reasonable expenses and charges (up to an aggregate of \$10,000,000 during any calendar year), related to any Investment, acquisition, disposition, offering of Equity Interests, recapitalization, or issuance or incurrence of Debt not prohibited hereunder (in each case, whether or not successful), plus (b) all Material Project Add-Backs applicable to such period, minus (c) all noncash income added to Consolidated Net Income in such period; provided that the aggregate amount of Material Project Add-Backs shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) of Unadjusted EBITDA for such period. For the purposes of calculating EBITDA for any Rolling Period for any determination of the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio or the Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio, if at any time during such Rolling Period any Credit Party shall have made any Material Disposition or Material Acquisition, the EBITDA for such Rolling Period shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto as if such Material Disposition or Material Acquisition had occurred on the first day of such Rolling Period, such pro forma adjustments to be acceptable to Administrative Agent and the Borrower. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, (x) for any calculation of EBITDA on or after the Effective Date through but not including the date on which financial statements for the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2019 are delivered pursuant to Section 8.01(b), EBITDA shall be deemed to be \$240,000,000, and (y) for any calculation of EBITDA (other than for purposes of Section 9.01) following the date on which financial statements for the fiscal quarter ending June 30, 2019 are delivered pursuant to Section 8.01(b) and prior to the date on which financial statements for the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2019 are delivered pursuant to Section 8.01(b), EBITDA shall be deemed to be actual EBITDA for the two fiscal quarter period ending on June 30, 2019 multiplied by two.

"<u>EEA Financial Institution</u>" means (a) any credit institution or investment firm 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 financial 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 Section 6.01 are satisfied (or waived in accordance with Section 12.02).

"<u>Eligible Contract Participant</u>" means an "eligible contract participant" as defined in the Commodity Exchange Act and the regulations thereunder.

"Environmental Laws" means any and all Governmental Requirements pertaining in any way to health, safety, the environment, the preservation or reclamation of natural resources, or the management, Release or threatened Release of any Hazardous Materials, in effect in any and all jurisdictions in which the Parent, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiaries are conducting or at any time have conducted business, or where any Property of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiaries are located, including, without limitation, the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 ("<u>OPA</u>"), as amended, the Clean Air Act, as amended, the Comprehensive Environmental, Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 ("<u>CERCLA</u>"), as amended, the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, as amended, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976 ("<u>RCRA</u>"), as amended, the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended, the Toxic Substances Control Act, as amended, the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, as amended, the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, as amended, and other environmental conservation or protection Governmental Requirements.

"<u>Environmental Permit</u>" means any permit, registration, license, approval, consent, exemption, variance, or other authorization required under or issued pursuant to applicable Environmental Laws.

"EPIC" means EPIC Crude Holdings, LP, a Delaware limited partnership.

"<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 such Equity Interests.

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and any successor statute.

"ERISA Affiliate" means each trade or business (whether or not incorporated) which together with the Parent, the Borrower, or a Subsidiary would be deemed to be a "single employer" within the meaning of section 4001(b)(1) of ERISA or subsections (b), (c), (m) or (o) of section 414 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>Eurodollar</u>", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether such Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, are bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Adjusted LIBO Rate.

"Event of Default" has the meaning assigned such term in Section 10.01.

"Excepted Liens" means: (a) Liens for Taxes, assessments or other governmental charges or levies which are not delinquent or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate action and for which adequate reserves have been maintained in accordance with GAAP; (b) Liens in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance or other social security, old age pension or public liability obligations which are not delinquent or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate action and for which adequate reserves have been maintained in accordance with GAAP; (c) statutory and contractual landlord's liens, operators', vendors', carriers', warehousemen's, repairmen's, mechanics', suppliers', workers', materialmen's, construction or other like Liens arising by operation of law or ordinary course of business contracts or incident to the development, operation and maintenance of Midstream Properties each of which is in respect of obligations that are not delinquent or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate action and for which adequate reserves have been maintained in accordance with GAAP; (d) contractual Liens which arise in the ordinary course of business under joint venture agreements, contracts for the sale, transportation or exchange of oil and natural gas, marketing agreements, processing agreements, processing plant agreements, dehydration agreements, operating agreements, pipeline, gathering or transportation agreements, compression agreements, balancing agreements, construction agreements, disposal agreements, and other agreements which are usual and customary in the midstream business and are for claims which are not delinquent or which are being contested in good faith by appropriate action and for which adequate reserves have been maintained in accordance with GAAP, provided that any such Lien referred to in this clause does not materially impair the use of the Property covered by such Lien for the purposes for which such Property is held by the Parent, the Borrower or their Restricted Subsidiaries or materially impair the value of such Property subject thereto; (e) Liens arising solely by virtue of any statutory or common law provision relating to banker's liens, rights of set-off or similar rights and remedies and burdening only deposit accounts or other funds maintained with a creditor depository institution, provided that no such deposit account is a dedicated cash collateral account or is subject to restrictions against access by the depositor in excess of those set forth by regulations promulgated by the Board and no such deposit account is intended by the Parent, the Borrower or their Restricted Subsidiaries to provide collateral to the depository institution; (f) easements, rights-of-way, restrictions, servitudes, permits, conditions, covenants, exceptions, zoning and land use requirements and Immaterial Title Deficiencies or reservations in any Property of the Parent or any Restricted Subsidiary that do not secure any monetary obligations and which in the aggregate do not materially impair the use of such Property for the purposes of which such Property

is held by such Person or materially impair the value of such Property; (g) Liens on cash or securities pledged to secure performance of tenders, surety and appeal bonds, government contracts, performance and return of money bonds, bids, trade contracts, leases, statutory obligations, regulatory obligations and other obligations of a like nature incurred in the ordinary course of business and (h) judgment and attachment Liens not giving rise to an Event of Default, provided that any appropriate legal proceedings which may have been duly initiated for the review of such judgment shall not have been finally terminated or the period within which such proceeding may be initiated shall not have expired and no action to enforce such Lien has been commenced; provided, further that Liens described in clauses (a) through (e) shall remain "Excepted Liens" only for so long as no action to enforce such Lien has been commenced and no intention to subordinate the first priority Lien granted in favor of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders is to be hereby implied or expressed by the permitted existence of such Excepted Liens and the term "Excepted Liens" shall not include any Lien securing Debt for borrowed money other than the Indebtedness.

"<u>Excluded Account</u>" means (a) each account all of the deposits in which consist of amounts utilized to fund payroll, employee benefit or tax obligations of the Credit Parties, (b) fiduciary, trust or escrow accounts, (c) "zero balance" accounts and (d) other accounts so long as (i) the balance in any one such account on any day does not exceed \$1,000,000 and (ii) the aggregate balance for all such accounts excluded pursuant to this clause (d) on any day does not exceed \$2,000,000.

"Excluded Swap Obligations" means, with respect to any Credit Party individually determined on a Credit Party by Credit Party basis, any Swap Obligation, if and to the extent that, all or a portion of the joint and several liability or the guaranty of such Credit Party for, or the grant by such Credit Party of a security interest or other Lien 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 Credit Party's failure for any reason to constitute an Eligible Contract Participant at the time such guarantee or the grant of such security interest or other Lien becomes effective with respect to, or any other time such Credit Party is by virtue of such guarantee or grant of such security interest or other Lien otherwise deemed to enter into, 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, security interest or other Lien is or becomes illegal.

"<u>Excluded Taxes</u>" means, with respect to the Administrative Agent, any Lender, the Issuing Bank or any other recipient of any payment to be made by or on account of any obligation of the Borrower or any Guarantor hereunder or under any other Loan Document, (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) any branch profits taxes imposed by the United States of America or any similar tax imposed by any other jurisdiction in which the Borrower or any Guarantor is located, (c) in the case of a Foreign Lender (other than an assignee pursuant to a request by the Borrower under Section 5.04(b)), any withholding tax that is imposed on amounts payable to such Foreign

Lender at the time such Foreign Lender becomes a party to this Agreement (or designates a new lending office), except to the extent that such Foreign Lender (or its assignor, if any) was entitled, at the time of designation of a new lending office (or assignment), to receive additional amounts with respect to such withholding tax pursuant to Section 5.03(b) or Section 5.03(d), (d) Taxes attributable to such recipient's failure to comply with Section 5.03(g), and (e) any withholding Taxes imposed under FATCA.

"Expansion Capital Expenditures" means all Capital Expenditures other than such expenditures made for the restoration, repair or maintenance of any fixed or capital asset.

"<u>FATCA</u>" means Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code (as of the date hereof) and any regulations or official interpretations thereof (including any Revenue Ruling, Revenue Procedure, Notice or similar guidance issued by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service thereunder as a precondition to relief or exemption from Taxes under such provisions); provided that FATCA shall also include any amendments to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code if, as amended, FATCA provides a commercially reasonable mechanism to avoid the tax imposed thereunder by satisfying the information reporting and other requirements of FATCA.

"FCPA" means the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended.

"FDIC" means the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or any successor thereto.

"<u>Federal Funds Effective Rate</u>" means, for any day, the weighted average (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the next 1/100 of 1%) of the rates on overnight Federal funds transactions with members of the Federal Reserve System, as published on the next succeeding Business Day by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or, if such rate is not so published for any day that is a Business Day, the average (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the next 1/100 of 1%) of the quotations for such day for such transactions received by the Administrative Agent from three Federal funds brokers of recognized standing selected by it; *provided* that in no event shall the Federal Funds Effective Rate be less than 0%.

"FERC" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission or any of its successors.

"<u>Financial Covenant Election</u>" means a one-time irrevocable election of the Borrower, in its sole discretion, that can be made in a written certificate by a Financial Officer of the Borrower delivered to the Administrative Agent at any time after the Parent or the Borrower has issued an aggregate principal amount of at least \$200,000,000 of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.02(g).

"<u>Financial Officer</u>" means, for any Person, any vice president, the chief financial officer, principal accounting officer, treasurer or controller of such Person. Unless otherwise specified, all references herein to a Financial Officer means a Financial Officer of the Parent or the General Partner.

"Financial Statements" means the financial statement or statements of the Parent and its Consolidated Subsidiaries referred to in Section 7.04(a).

"Flood Deliverables" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.01(s).

"<u>Flood Insurance Regulations</u>" means (a) the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto, (b) the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 as now or hereafter in effect or any successor statute thereto, (c) the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994 (amending 42 USC § 4001, *et seq.*), as the same may be amended or recodified from time to time, and (d) the Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2004 and any regulations promulgated thereunder.

"<u>Foreign Lender</u>" means any Lender that is not: (i) an individual who is a citizen or resident of the United States of America; (ii) a partnership or a corporation (or other entity taxed as a corporation for U.S. federal income tax purposes) created or organized in or under the laws of the United States of America; (iii) an estate whose income is includible in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes regardless of its source; or (iv) a trust if (1) a court within the United States of America is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and one or more "United States person" (within the meaning of the Code) have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust, or (2) it has a valid election in effect under applicable Treasury regulations to be treated as a United States person.

"Foreign Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary that is not a Domestic Subsidiary.

"<u>Fronting Exposure</u>" means, at any time there is a Defaulting Lender, with respect to the Issuing Bank, such Defaulting Lender's Applicable Percentage of the outstanding LC Exposure other than LC Exposure as to which such Defaulting Lender's participation obligation has been reallocated to other Lenders or Cash Collateralized in accordance with the terms hereof.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America as in effect from time to time subject to the terms and conditions set forth in Section 1.05.

"<u>Gathering System</u>" means the Midstream Properties of the Credit Parties comprised of any pipeline or gathering system owned or leased from time to time by any Credit Party that is used in the business of such Credit Party.

"General Partner" means Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"<u>Governmental Authority</u>" means the government of the United States of America, 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 over the Parent, the Borrower, any Subsidiary, any of their Properties, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender.

"<u>Governmental Requirement</u>" means any law, statute, code, ordinance, order, determination, rule, regulation, judgment, decree, injunction, franchise, permit, certificate, license, rules of common law, authorization or other directive or requirement, whether now or hereinafter in effect, including, without limitation, Environmental Laws, energy regulations and occupational, safety and health standards or controls, of any Governmental Authority.

"Gray Oak" means Gray Oak Pipeline, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"<u>Guarantors</u>" means the Parent, Tall City Towers LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, and each other Person that guarantees the Indebtedness pursuant to Section 8.14(b), unless and until expressly released pursuant to the terms of the Loan Documents.

"<u>Guaranty and Security Agreement</u>" means the Guaranty and Security Agreement executed by the Credit Parties pursuant to which the Credit Parties (a) unconditionally guaranty on a joint and several basis, payment of the Indebtedness, and (b) grant Liens and a security interest on the Credit Parties' personal property constituting "collateral" as defined therein in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties to secure the Indebtedness, as the same may be amended, modified or supplemented from time to time.

"<u>Hazardous Material</u>" means any substance regulated or as to which liability might arise under any applicable Environmental Law and including, without limitation: (a) any chemical, compound, material, product, byproduct, substance or waste defined as or included in the definition or meaning of "hazardous substance," "hazardous material," "hazardous waste," "solid waste," "toxic waste," "extremely hazardous substance," "toxic substance," toxic substance," "toxic substance," toxic substance, substanc

"Headquarters Building" means 500 West Texas Avenue, Midland, Texas 79701.

"<u>Highest Lawful Rate</u>" means, with respect to each Lender, the maximum nonusurious interest rate, if any, that at any time or from time to time may be contracted for, taken, reserved, charged or received on the Notes or on other Indebtedness under laws applicable to such Lender which are presently in effect or, to the extent allowed by law, under such applicable laws which may hereafter be in effect and which allow a higher maximum nonusurious interest rate than applicable laws allow as of the date hereof.

"<u>Hydrocarbons</u>" means oil, gas, casinghead gas, drip gasoline, natural gasoline, condensate, distillate, liquid hydrocarbons, gaseous hydrocarbons and all products refined or separated therefrom.

"<u>Immaterial Title Deficiencies</u>" means defects or deficiencies in title that do not diminish the aggregate book value of (a) the Midstream Properties of the Credit Parties and (b) the Headquarters Building by more than ten percent (10%) in the aggregate.

"<u>Indebtedness</u>" means any and all amounts owing or to be owing by the Parent, the Borrower, or any other Guarantor (whether direct or indirect (including those acquired by assumption), absolute or contingent, due or to become due, now existing or hereafter arising): (a) to the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender under any Loan Document; (b) to any Secured Swap Party in respect of any Secured Swap Obligations (provided that notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in any other Loan Document, "Indebtedness" shall not include with respect to any Person any Excluded Swap Obligations of such Person); (c) to any Cash Management Provider in respect of any Cash Management Agreement; and (d) all renewals, extensions and/or rearrangements of any of the above.

"Indemnified Taxes" means (a) Taxes, other than Excluded Taxes and (b) to the extent not otherwise described in clause (a), Other Taxes.

"Indemnitee" has the meaning set forth in Section 12.03(b).

"<u>Industry Competitor</u>" means any Person (other than the Parent, the Borrower, any Guarantor or any of their Affiliates or Subsidiaries) that is (or one or more of whose Affiliates are) actively engaged as one of its principal businesses in (a) gathering, dehydrating or compressing natural gas, crude, condensate or natural gas liquids; (b) treating, processing, fractionating or transporting natural gas, crude, condensate or natural gas liquids or the fractionated products thereof; (c) storing natural gas, crude, condensate, natural gas liquids or the fractionated products thereof, or (e) water distribution, storage, supply, treatment and disposal services.

"Individual LC Commitment" means, for any Issuing Bank, the amount for such Issuing Bank set forth on Annex II hereto.

"Information" has the meaning set forth in Section 12.11.

"<u>Insurance and Condemnation Event</u>" means the receipt by any Credit Party of any cash insurance proceeds or condemnation award in an aggregate amount in excess of \$15,000,000 payable by reason of theft, loss, physical destruction or damage, taking or similar event with respect to any of their respective Property.

"Interest Election Request" means a request by the Borrower to convert or continue a Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.04.

"Interest Payment Date" means (a) with respect to any ABR Loan, the last day of each March, June, September and December and (b) with respect to any Eurodollar 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 Eurodollar 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.

"Interest Period" means with respect to any Eurodollar Borrowing, the period commencing on the date of such Borrowing and ending on the numerically corresponding day in the calendar month that is one, two, three or six months thereafter, as the Borrower may elect; *provided*, that (a) 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 (b) any Interest Period pertaining to a Eurodollar Borrowing 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) shall end on the last Business Day of 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 shall be the effective date of the most recent conversion or continuation of such Borrowing.

"Interstate Pipeline" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.23.

"Investment" means, for any Person: (a) the purchase and acquisition (whether for cash, Property, services or securities or otherwise in one or a series of transactions) of (i) Equity Interests (including, without limitation, any "short sale" or any sale of any securities at a time when such securities are not owned by the Person entering into such short sale) or (ii) all or substantially all of the business or a line of business of another Person, in each case with respect to this clause (ii) with a purchase price in excess of \$5,000,000; (b) the making of any deposit with, or advance, loan or capital contribution to, the assumption of Debt of, the purchase or other acquisition of any other Debt of or equity participation or interest in, or other extension of credit to, any other Person (including the purchase of Property from another Person subject to an understanding or agreement, contingent or otherwise, to resell such Property to such Person, but excluding any such advance, loan or extension of credit having a term not exceeding ninety (90) days representing the purchase price of inventory, material, equipment or supplies sold by such Person in the ordinary course of business); or (c) the entering into of any guarantee of, or other contingent obligation (including the deposit of any Equity Interests to be sold) with respect to, Debt or other liability of any other Person and (without duplication) any amount committed to be advanced, lent or extended to such Person.

"Issuing Bank" means, collectively, Wells Fargo, Bank of America, N.A., Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., in their respective capacities as an issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder, and their respective successors in such capacity as provided in Section 2.07(i). Each Issuing Bank may, in its discretion, arrange for one or more Letters of Credit to be issued by Affiliates of such Issuing Bank, in which case the term "Issuing Bank" shall include any such Affiliate with respect to Letters of Credit issued by such Affiliate. As used herein, references to "the Issuing Bank" and similar phrases shall be interpreted as references to the applicable Issuing Bank in respect of a Letter of Credit, as context requires.

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

"<u>LC Exposure</u>" means, at any time, the sum of (a) the aggregate undrawn amount of all outstanding Letters of Credit at such time plus (b) the aggregate amount of all LC Disbursements that have not yet been reimbursed by or on behalf of the Borrower at such time. The LC Exposure of any Lender at any time shall be its Applicable Percentage of the total LC Exposure at such time.

"<u>Lenders</u>" means the Persons listed on <u>Annex I</u> and any Person that shall have become a party hereto pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption, other than any such Person that ceases to be a party hereto pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption, and any Person that shall have become a party hereto as an Additional Lender pursuant to Section 2.06(c).

"Letter of Credit" means any letter of credit issued pursuant to this Agreement.

"Letter of Credit Agreements" means all letter of credit applications and other agreements (including any amendments, modifications or supplements thereto) submitted by the Borrower, or entered into by the Borrower, with the Issuing Bank relating to any Letter of Credit.

"LIBO Rate" means, with respect to any Eurodollar Borrowing for any Interest Period and subject to the implementation of a Replacement Rate in accordance with Section 5.06, the rate appearing on Reuters Screen LIBOR01 Page as of 11:00 A.M., London time, two (2) Business Days prior to the beginning of such Interest Period; *provided* that such rate shall never be less than 0.0%. In the event that such rate does not appear on such page (or otherwise on such screen), the "LIBO Rate" shall be determined by reference to such other comparable publicly available service for displaying Eurodollar rates as may be selected by the Administrative Agent or, in the absence of such availability, by reference to the rate at which the Administrative Agent is offered dollar deposits at or about 11:00 A.M., London time, two (2) Business Days prior to the beginning of such Interest Period in the interbank Eurodollar market where its Eurodollar and foreign currency and exchange operations are then being conducted for delivery on the first day of such Interest Period for the number of days comprised therein.

"Lien" means any interest in Property securing an obligation owed to, or a claim by, a Person other than the owner of the Property, whether such interest is based on the common law, statute or contract, and whether such obligation or claim is fixed or contingent, and including but not limited to the lien or security interest arising from a mortgage, encumbrance, pledge, security agreement, conditional sale or trust receipt or a lease, consignment or bailment for security purposes. The term "Lien" shall include easements, restrictions, servitudes, permits, conditions, covenants, exceptions or reservations. For the purposes of this Agreement, the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary shall be deemed to be the owner of any Property which it has acquired or holds subject to a conditional sale agreement, or leases under a financing lease or other arrangement pursuant to which title to the Property has been retained by or vested in some other Person in a transaction intended to create a financing.

"Loan Documents" means this Agreement, the Notes, the Letter of Credit Agreements, the Letters of Credit, and the Security Instruments.

"Loans" means the loans made by the Lenders to the Borrower pursuant to this Agreement.

"<u>Majority Lenders</u>" means, at any time while no Loans or LC Exposure is outstanding, Lenders having more than fifty percent (50%) of the Commitments; and at any time while any Loans or LC Exposure is outstanding, Lenders holding more than fifty percent (50%) of the outstanding aggregate principal amount of the Loans and participation interests in Letters of Credit (without regard to any sale by a Lender of a participation in any Loan under Section 12.04(c)); *provided* that the Commitments and the principal amount of the Loans and participation interests in Letters of Credit of the Defaulting Lenders (if any) shall be excluded from the determination of Majority Lenders.

"<u>Material Acquisition</u>" means any acquisition of Property or series of related acquisitions of Property that involves the payment of consideration by the Credit Parties in excess of a dollar amount equal to \$50,000,000.

"<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>" means a material adverse change in, or material adverse effect on (a) the business, operations, Property or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Credit Parties, taken as a whole, (b) the ability of the Credit Parties to perform any of their obligations under any Loan Document, (c) the validity or enforceability of any Loan Document or (d) the rights and remedies of or benefits available to the Administrative Agent, any other Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender under any Loan Document.

"<u>Material Contracts</u>" means, individually or collectively as the context requires, each Material Gathering Contract, each Material Sales Contract, and each other contract set forth on <u>Schedule 7.18</u>.

"<u>Material Disposition</u>" means any Transfer of Property or series of related Transfers of property that yields gross proceeds to the Credit Parties in excess of a dollar amount equal to \$50,000,000.

"<u>Material Gathering Contract</u>" means each gathering, treating or processing contract entered into by the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary that (a) if a fee-based contract, provides for aggregate payments to the Parent, the Borrower, or such Restricted Subsidiary during any 12 month period in excess of \$30,000,000, and (b) if a percentage of proceeds contract, is reasonably anticipated to result in a share of proceeds retained by the Parent, the Borrower, or such Restricted Subsidiary for its own account during any 12 month period in excess of \$30,000,000.

"<u>Material Indebtedness</u>" means Debt (other than the Loans and Letters of Credit), or obligations in respect of one or more of one or more Swap Agreements, of any one or more of the Parent, the Borrower, or their Restricted Subsidiaries in an aggregate principal amount exceeding \$50,000,000. For purposes of determining Material Indebtedness, the "principal amount" of the obligations of the Parent, the Borrower, or their Restricted Subsidiaries in respect of any Swap Agreement at any time shall be the Swap Termination Value owed by the Parent, the Borrower, or their Restricted Subsidiaries, as applicable.

"<u>Material Project</u>" means any project of the Credit Parties (a) that has or will have Expansion Capital Expenditures attributable thereto in excess of \$50,000,000, (b) for which construction or expansion of such project has commenced, (c) that is identified in a certificate delivered by the Borrower to the Administrative Agent not less than thirty (30) days prior to the delivery of the financial statements and compliance certificate pursuant to Section 8.01(a) or (b) and Section 8.01(c) for the first fiscal quarter for which the Borrower desires to commence inclusion of a Material Project Add-Back related to such project in EBITDA, which certificate includes the Material Project EBITDA Projection for such project and the Borrower's good faith anticipated commercial operation date for such project, and (d) for which the Borrower has provided to the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion, information regarding such project including, to the extent such information is applicable, updated status reports summarizing each Material Project currently under construction and covering original anticipated and current projected costs and Capital Expenditures (including information on actual costs to date) for such Material Project, the originally identified and current projected commercial operation date, volume commitments to

such project, pricing arrangements, Swap Agreements relating to such project, the Borrower's expectations as to the ability of third parties to perform under any contracts relating to utilization of such project, and any other aspect of such project as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request from time to time.

"<u>Material Project Add-Back</u>" means, with respect to any period for which EBITDA is calculated, the amount added in the calculation of EBITDA attributable to a particular Material Project, which amount shall equal with respect to a particular Material Project for such period:

(a) prior to the date on which a Material Project has achieved commercial operation (but including the fiscal quarter in which commercial operation commences), a percentage, equal to the then-current completion percentage of such Material Project as of the date of determination as reasonably determined by the Borrower, of the Material Project EBITDA Projection for such Material Project (net of any actual EBITDA attributable to such Material Project during such period); provided that if the actual commercial operation date for any Material Project does not occur by the originally scheduled commercial operation date for such project originally disclosed to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower, then the foregoing amount shall be reduced, for quarters ending after such originally scheduled commercial operation date to (but excluding) the first full quarter after the actual commercial operation date, by the following percentage amounts depending on the period of delay (based on the period of actual delay or then-estimated delay, whichever is longer): (i) 90 days or less, 0%, (ii) longer than 90 days, but not more than 180 days, 25%, (iii) longer than 180 days but not more than 270 days, 50%, (iv) longer than 270 days but not more than 365 days, 75%, and (v) longer than 365 days, 100%; and

(b) beginning with the first full fiscal quarter following the date on which commercial operation of a Material Project commences, and for the two immediately succeeding fiscal quarters, the Material Project EBITDA Projection for such Material Project (net of any actual EBITDA attributable to such Material Project during such period).

"<u>Material Project EBITDA Projection</u>" means, with respect to any Material Project, the Borrower's good faith projection, based on binding and enforceable customer contracts providing for minimum volume or minimum revenue commitments relating to such project, the creditworthiness of the other parties to such contracts, and projected revenues from such contracts, capital costs and expenses, and other factors deemed appropriate by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion, of the EBITDA that will be attributable to such Material Project during the first 12-month period following commencement of commercial operations of such Material Project, which projection and calculation thereof shall be reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent. After first providing such projection for any Material Project, the Borrower shall thereafter, until the end of the first 12-month period following commencement of commercial operations of such Material Project, re-evaluate such anticipated EBITDA quarterly and, if there is a material decrease or increase in such amount (as reasonably determined by the Borrower), the Borrower shall deliver an updated projection and calculation thereof which, if acceptable to the Administrative Agent, shall become and be deemed to be the "Material Project EBITDA Projection" for such Material Project for each calculation of EBITDA following the date on which such updated projection is delivered to the Administrative Agent until the next such re-evaluation.

"<u>Material Sales Contract</u>" means each sales contract entered into by the Parent, the Borrower or any other Restricted Subsidiary that provides for aggregate payments to the Parent, the Borrower or such other Restricted Subsidiary during any fiscal year of such party in excess of \$30,000,000 after excluding payments over to third parties of payments due to them relating to the Hydrocarbon proceeds received under such sales contracts. To the extent, if any, that the Parent, the Borrower or a Restricted Subsidiary enters into any contract (other than a gathering, treating or processing contract) that requires such party to make payments during any fiscal year of such party in excess of \$30,000,000 for Hydrocarbons purchased by such party under such contract, such contract will also be a "Material Sales Contract".

# "Maturity Date" means May 28, 2024.

"<u>Midstream Properties</u>" means all tangible property used in (a) gathering, compressing, treating, processing and transporting natural gas, crude, condensate and natural gas liquids and other Hydrocarbons; (b) fractionating and transporting natural gas, crude, condensate and natural gas liquids and other Hydrocarbons; (c) marketing natural gas, crude, condensate and natural gas liquids and other Hydrocarbons; (c) marketing natural gas, crude, condensate and natural gas liquids and other Hydrocarbons; and (d) water distribution, supply, treatment and disposal services thereof, including, Gathering Systems, Processing Plants, storage facilities, surface leases, Rights of Way and servitudes related to each of the foregoing. Unless otherwise specified herein, "Midstream Properties" shall be deemed to refer to such properties owned or leased by the Credit Parties.

"Midstream Property Title Information" has the meaning assigned such term in Section 8.13(a).

"<u>Minimum Collateral Amount</u>" means, at any time, (a) with respect to Cash Collateral consisting of cash or deposit account balances, an amount equal to 105% of the Fronting Exposure of all Issuing Banks with respect to Letters of Credit issued and outstanding at such time and (b) if the Borrower agrees to deliver Cash Collateral consisting of property other than cash or deposit account balances, an amount determined by the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank in their sole discretion.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc. and any successor thereto that is a nationally recognized rating agency.

"<u>Mortgaged Property</u>" means any owned real property or leased real property by any Credit Party which is subjected to the Liens created pursuant to the terms of the Security Instruments.

"<u>Net Proceeds</u>" means the aggregate cash proceeds received by a Credit Party in respect of any Asset Disposition, or Insurance and Condemnation Event, net of (a) the direct costs relating to such Asset Disposition, or Insurance and Condemnation Event (including legal, accounting and investment banking fees, underwriting, advisory and consulting fees, title and recording tax expenses and sales commissions paid to unaffiliated third parties, severance and associated costs, expenses, and charges of personnel and any relocation expenses incurred as a result of such Asset Disposition or Insurance and Condemnation Event, and commissions, discounts, and expenses incurred as a result of such Asset Disposition or Insurance and Condemnation Event), (b) taxes paid or payable as a result thereof (after taking into account any available and applicable tax credits

or deductions and any tax sharing arrangements), (c) Debt (other than the Indebtedness) which is secured by a Lien upon any of the assets subject to such Asset Disposition or Insurance and Condemnation Event and which must be repaid as a result of such Asset Disposition or Insurance and Condemnation Event, (d) any reserve for sale price adjustment, indemnification, or retained liability obligations in respect of such Property or such Asset Disposition or Insurance and Condemnation Event established in accordance with GAAP, and (e) all distributions and other payments required to be made to minority interest holders in Subsidiaries or to holders of interests in such Property as a result of such Asset Disposition or Insurance and Condemnation Event.

"new Debt" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Permitted Refinancing Debt".

"Non-Defaulting Lender" means, at any time, each Lender that is not a Defaulting Lender at such time.

"<u>Notes</u>" means the promissory notes of the Borrower described in Section 2.02(d) and being substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit A</u>, together with all amendments, modifications, replacements, extensions and rearrangements thereof.

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

"OPA" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Environmental Laws".

"<u>Other Connection Taxes</u>" 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 Tax (other than connections arising from such recipient having 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 sold or assigned an interest in any Loan or Loan Document).

"<u>Other Taxes</u>" means any and all present or future stamp or documentary taxes or any other excise or Property taxes, charges or similar levies arising from any payment made hereunder or from the execution, delivery or enforcement of, or otherwise with respect to, this Agreement and any other Loan Document; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, "Other Taxes" shall not include Excluded Taxes.

"Parent" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"<u>Parent IPO</u>" means the initial public offering of Equity Interests in the Parent on the NASDAQ Stock Market pursuant to the Registration Statement.

"<u>Parent Partnership Agreement</u>" means that certain First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Parent, dated as of May 28, 2019, as the same may be amended, restated or otherwise modified from time to time to the extent permitted under this Agreement.

"Participant" has the meaning set forth in Section 12.04(c).

"Participant Register" has the meaning set forth in Section 12.04(c).

"<u>Permitted Acquisition</u>" means any acquisition by the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary that is a Guarantor of all or substantially all of the business or a line of business (whether by the acquisition of Equity Interests, assets or any combination thereof) of any other Person (a "<u>Permitted Acquisition Target</u>"), in each case, if each such acquisition meets all of the following requirements:

(a) such acquisition is not a hostile or contested acquisition;

(b) the Parent and its Consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries shall be in compliance with Section 9.06 immediately after giving effect to such acquisition, and no other Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing both before and after giving effect to such acquisition and any Debt incurred in connection therewith;

(c) if such transaction is a merger or consolidation, the Borrower or a Restricted Subsidiary that is a Guarantor shall be the surviving Person and no Change in Control shall have been effected thereby; and

(d) if the acquisition consideration (excluding Equity Interests of the Parent) in connection with such acquisition exceeds \$50,000,000, no less than three (3) Business Days prior to the proposed closing date of such acquisition, the Borrower shall have delivered written notice of such acquisition to the Administrative Agent, which notice shall include the proposed closing date of such acquisition and a compliance certificate for the most recent fiscal quarter end preceding such acquisition for which financial statements are available demonstrating, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, compliance on a pro forma basis (as of the date of the acquisition and after giving effect thereto and any Debt incurred in connection therewith) with each covenant contained in Section 9.01 (*provided*, that, if the Borrower has delivered written notice electing to begin an Acquisition Period, the calculation of the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio will be tested as if the Acquisition Period had been in effect as of the last day of the most recently ended fiscal quarter).

"Permitted Acquisition Target" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Permitted Acquisition".

"<u>Permitted Refinancing Debt</u>" means Debt (for purposes of this definition, "<u>new Debt</u>") incurred in exchange for, or proceeds of which are used to repay, repurchase, redeem, defease, refund, replace, acquire or otherwise retire or refinance, all or part of any other Debt (the "<u>Refinanced Debt</u>"); *provided* that: (a) such new Debt is in an aggregate principal amount not in excess of the sum of (i) the aggregate principal amount then outstanding of the Refinanced Debt (or, if the Refinanced Debt is exchanged or acquired for an amount less than the principal amount thereof to be due and payable upon a declaration of acceleration thereof, such lesser amount) and (ii) an amount necessary to pay any accrued and unpaid interest on such Refinanced Debt and any fees and expenses, including premiums, related to such exchange or refinancing; (b) such new Debt has a stated maturity no earlier than the stated maturity of the Refinanced Debt and an average life no shorter than the average life of the Refinanced Debt; (c) such new Debt's stated interest rate, fees, and premiums are on "market" terms; (d) such new Debt does not contain covenants

that, taken as a whole, are materially more onerous to the Borrower and the Restricted Subsidiaries than those imposed by the Refinanced Debt; and (e) if the Refinanced Debt (or any guarantee thereof) is subordinated in right of payment to the Indebtedness (or, if applicable, the Guaranty and Security Agreement), then such new Debt (and any guarantees thereof) is subordinated in right of payment to the Indebtedness (or, if applicable, the Guaranty and Security Agreement) to at least the same extent as the Refinanced Debt or is otherwise subordinated on terms substantially reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

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

"<u>Plan</u>" means any employee pension benefit plan, as defined in section 3(2) of ERISA, which (a) is currently or hereafter sponsored, maintained or contributed to by the Borrower, a Subsidiary or an ERISA Affiliate or (b) was at any time during the six calendar years preceding the date hereof, sponsored, maintained or contributed to by the Borrower or a Subsidiary or an ERISA Affiliate.

"<u>Prime Rate</u>" means the rate of interest per annum publicly announced from time to time by Wells Fargo, as its prime rate in effect at its principal office in San Francisco; each change in the Prime Rate shall be effective from and including the date such change is publicly announced as being effective. Such rate is set by Wells Fargo as a general reference rate of interest, taking into account such factors as Wells Fargo may deem appropriate; it being understood that many of Wells Fargo's commercial or other loans are priced in relation to such rate, that it is not necessarily the lowest or best rate actually charged to any customer and that Wells Fargo may make various commercial or other loans at rates of interest having no relationship to such rate.

"Processing Plants" means the Midstream Properties of the Credit Parties comprised of any processing plants owned or leased from time to time by any Credit Party that are used in the business of such Credit Party.

"<u>Property</u>" means any interest in any kind of property or asset, whether real, personal or mixed, or tangible or intangible, including, without limitation, cash, securities, accounts and contract rights.

"Qualified ECP Guarantor" means, in respect of any Swap Agreement, each Credit Party that (a) has total assets exceeding \$10,000,000 at the time any guaranty of obligations under such Swap Agreement becomes effective or (b) otherwise 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.

"RCRA" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Environmental Laws".

"<u>Redemption</u>" means with respect to any Debt, the repurchase, redemption, prepayment, repayment, defeasance or any other acquisition or retirement for value (or the segregation of funds with respect to any of the foregoing) of such Debt. "<u>Redeem</u>" has the correlative meaning thereto.

"Refinanced Debt" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Permitted Refinancing Debt".

"Register" has the meaning assigned such term in Section 12.04(b)(iv).

"<u>Registration Statement</u>" means the Form S-1 Registration Statement File No. 333-226645 initially filed by the Parent with the SEC on August 7, 2018, as amended prior to the Effective Date.

"Regulation D" means Regulation D of the Board, as the same may be amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time.

"<u>Related Parties</u>" means, with respect to any specified Person, such Person's Affiliates and the respective directors, officers, partners, employees, agents and advisors (including attorneys, accountants and experts) of such Person and such Person's Affiliates.

"<u>Release</u>" means any depositing, spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, placing, emitting, discarding, abandoning, emptying, discharging, migrating, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing.

"Remedial Work" has the meaning assigned such term in Section 8.10(a).

"Replacement Rate" has the meaning assigned such term in Section 5.06.

"<u>Responsible Officer</u>" means, as to any Person, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, any Financial Officer or any Vice President of such Person. Unless otherwise specified, all references to a Responsible Officer herein shall mean a Responsible Officer of (x) the Parent or the General Partner or (y) the Borrower, as applicable.

"<u>Restricted Payment</u>" means any dividend or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other Property) with respect to any Equity Interests in the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary or any payment (whether in cash, securities or other Property and including any transfer of cash, securities, or other Property effected by division of any Person), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any such Equity Interests in the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary or any option, warrant or other right to acquire any such Equity Interests in the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary.

"Restricted Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary of the Parent that is not an Unrestricted Subsidiary, including the Borrower.

"<u>Revolving Credit Exposure</u>" means, with respect to any Lender at any time, the sum of the outstanding principal amount of such Lender's Loans plus such Lender's LC Exposure at such time.

"Rights of Way" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.16(b).

"<u>Rolling Period</u>" means (a) for the fiscal quarters ending on September 30, 2019, December 31, 2019, and March 31, 2020, the period commencing on July 1, 2019 and ending on the last day of such applicable fiscal quarter and (b) for the fiscal quarter ending on June 30, 2020, and for each fiscal quarter thereafter, the period of four (4) consecutive fiscal quarters ending on the last day of such applicable fiscal quarters.

"<u>S&P</u>" means S&P Global Ratings and any successor thereto that is a nationally recognized rating agency.

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

"<u>Sanctioned Person</u>" 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, (b) any Person operating, organized or resident in a Sanctioned Country or (c) any Person owned fifty percent (50%) or more, individually or in the aggregate, directly or indirectly, by any such Person or Persons described in the foregoing clause (a).

"<u>Sanctions</u>" means economic or financial sanctions or trade embargoes imposed, administered or enforced from time to time by the U.S. government, including those administered by OFAC or the U.S. Department of State.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission or any successor Governmental Authority.

"Secured Parties" means, collectively, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Banks, the Lenders, the Cash Management Providers and Secured Swap Parties, and "Secured Party" means any of them individually.

"<u>Secured Swap Agreements</u>" means any Swap Agreement between the Parent, the Borrower or any other Credit Party and any Person entered into prior to the time, or during the time, that such Person or its Affiliate is a Lender (including any Swap Agreement with such Person in existence prior to the date hereof), even if such Person subsequently ceases to be a Lender (or an Affiliate thereof) for any reason (any such Person, a "<u>Secured Swap</u> <u>Party</u>").

"<u>Secured Swap Obligations</u>" means all amounts and other obligations owing to any Secured Swap Party under any Secured Swap Agreement; provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, if a Secured Swap Party ceases to be a Lender (or an Affiliate of a Lender), then the Secured Swap Obligations owing to such Secured Swap Party under any such Secured Swap Agreement shall not include any obligations arising from transactions entered into after the time that such Secured Swap Party ceases to be a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender.

"Secured Swap Party" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Secured Swap Agreement".

"Security Instruments" means the Guaranty and Security Agreement, each Control Agreement, mortgages, deeds of trust, and other agreements, instruments or certificates described

or referred to in Exhibit E, and any and all other agreements, instruments, consents or certificates now or hereafter executed and delivered by the Parent, the Borrower, any other Guarantor, or any other Person (other than Secured Swap Agreements, Cash Management Agreements and participation or similar agreements between any Lender and any other lender or creditor with respect to any Indebtedness pursuant to this Agreement) in connection with, or as security for the payment or performance of the Indebtedness, the Notes, this Agreement, or reimbursement obligations under the Letters of Credit, as such agreements may be amended, modified, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"Senior Notes" means any unsecured senior or senior subordinated Debt securities (whether registered or privately placed) issued pursuant to a Senior Notes Indenture.

"<u>Senior Notes Indenture</u>" means any indenture among the Parent or the Borrower, as issuer, the guarantors party thereto, if any, and the trustee named therein, pursuant to which the Senior Notes are issued, as the same may be amended or supplemented in accordance with Section 9.04(b).

"<u>Statutory Reserve Rate</u>" means, a fraction (expressed as a decimal), the numerator of which is the number one and the denominator of which is the number one minus the aggregate of the maximum reserve percentages (including any marginal, special, emergency or supplemental reserves) expressed as a decimal established by the Board to which the Administrative Agent is subject with respect to the Adjusted LIBO Rate, for eurocurrency funding (currently referred to as "Eurocurrency Liabilities" in Regulation D of the Board). Such reserve percentages shall include those imposed pursuant to such Regulation D. Eurodollar Loans shall be deemed to constitute eurocurrency funding and to be subject to such reserve requirements without benefit of or credit for proration, exemptions or offsets that may be available from time to time to any Lender under such Regulation D 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 percentage.

"<u>Subsidiary</u>" means (a) any Person of which at least a majority of the outstanding Equity Interests having by the terms thereof ordinary voting power to elect a majority of the board of directors, managers or other governing body of such Person (irrespective of whether or not at the time Equity Interests of any other class or classes of such Person shall have or might have voting power by reason of the happening of any contingency) is at the time directly or indirectly owned or controlled by the Parent and/or one or more of its Subsidiaries and (b) any partnership of which the Parent or any of its Subsidiaries is a general partner. Unless otherwise indicated herein, each reference to the term "Subsidiary" shall mean a Subsidiary of the Parent (including the Borrower).

"<u>Swap Agreement</u>" means any agreement with respect to any swap, forward, future or derivative transaction or option or similar agreement, whether exchange traded, "over-the-counter" or otherwise, 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 (including any agreement, contract or transaction that constitutes a "swap" within the meaning of section 1a(47) of the Commodity Exchange Act); *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 Borrower or its Subsidiaries shall be a Swap Agreement.

"<u>Swap Obligation</u>" means, with respect to any Person, 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, including any such obligation comprised of a guaranty or a security interest or other Lien.

"<u>Swap Termination Value</u>" means, in respect of any one or more Swap Agreements, after taking into account the effect of any legally enforceable netting agreement relating to such Swap Agreements, (a) for any date on or after the date such Swap Agreements have been closed out and termination value(s) determined in accordance therewith, such termination value(s) and (b) for any date prior to the date referenced in clause (a), the amount(s) determined as the mark-to-market value(s) for such Swap Agreements, as determined by the counterparties to such Swap Agreements.

"Synthetic Leases" means, in respect of any Person, all leases which shall have been, or should have been, in accordance with GAAP, treated as operating leases on the financial statements of the Person liable (whether contingently or otherwise) for the payment of rent thereunder and which were properly treated as indebtedness for borrowed money for purposes of U.S. federal income taxes, if the lessee in respect thereof is obligated to either purchase for an amount in excess of, or pay upon early termination an amount in excess of, 80% of the residual value of the Property subject to such operating lease upon expiration or early termination of such lease.

"Taxes" means any and all present or future taxes, levies, imposts, duties, deductions, charges or withholdings imposed by any Governmental Authority.

"Termination Date" means the earlier of the Maturity Date and the date of termination of the Commitments.

"Total Debt" means, at any date, all Debt of the Parent, the Borrower, and the Consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, excluding (a) non-cash obligations under ASC 815 and (b) Debt under clauses (i) and (j) of the definition thereof.

"<u>Transactions</u>" means, with respect to (a) the Borrower, the execution, delivery and performance by the Borrower of this Agreement and each other Loan Document to which it is a party, the borrowing of Loans, the use of the proceeds thereof and the issuance of Letters of Credit hereunder, and the grant of Liens by the Borrower on Mortgaged Properties and other Properties pursuant to the Security Instruments, (b) each Guarantor, the execution, delivery and performance by such Guarantor of each Loan Document to which it is a party, the guaranteeing of the Indebtedness and the other obligations under the Guaranty and Security Agreement by such Guarantor and such Guarantor's grant of the security interests and provision of collateral under the Security Instruments, and the grant of Liens by such Guarantor on Mortgaged Properties and other Properties pursuant to the Security Instruments, and the grant of Liens by such Guarantor on Mortgaged Properties and other Properties pursuant to the Security Instruments, and the grant of Liens by such Guarantor on Mortgaged Properties and other Properties pursuant to the Security Instruments, and the grant of Liens by such Guarantor on Mortgaged Properties and other Properties pursuant to the Security Instruments, and (c) with respect to the Parent, the consummation of the Parent IPO on the Effective Date.

"Transfer" means to sell, assign, convey or otherwise transfer Property (including any transfer that is effected through the statutory division of a Person); *provided* that Transfer does not include the grant, creation or perfection of a Lien.

"Type", 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 Alternate Base Rate or the Adjusted LIBO Rate.

"USA PATRIOT Act" means the USA PATRIOT Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)), as amended from time to time, and any successor statute.

"U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.03(g)(ii)(B)(3).

"<u>Unadjusted EBITDA</u>" means, for any period, (a) EBITDA for such period (without giving effect to the limitation on the amount of Material Project Add-Backs contained in the proviso at the end of the first sentence of the definition of "EBITDA") <u>minus</u> (b) the aggregate amount of Material Project Add-Backs for such period.

"<u>Unrestricted Subsidiary</u>" means any Subsidiary of the Parent (a) designated as such on <u>Schedule 7.14</u> on the Effective Date (as updated with any written disclosures provided in writing to the Administrative Agent in accordance with and subject to the terms hereof, including, as applicable, Section 9.17), (b) which the Parent or the Borrower has designated in writing to the Administrative Agent to be an Unrestricted Subsidiary pursuant to Section 9.17, or (c) that is a subsidiary of an Unrestricted Subsidiary; *provided* that in no event may the Borrower be designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

"Wells Fargo" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph hereto.

"<u>Wholly-Owned Subsidiary</u>" means any Subsidiary of which all of the outstanding Equity Interests (other than any directors' qualifying shares mandated by applicable law), on a fully-diluted basis, are owned by the Parent or one or more of the Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries or are owned by the Parent and one or more of the Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries.

"<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 1.03 <u>Types of Loans and Borrowings</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, Loans and Borrowings, respectively, may be classified and referred to by Type (*e.g.*, a "Eurodollar Loan" or a "Eurodollar Borrowing").

Section 1.04 <u>Terms Generally; Rules of Construction</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" as used in this Agreement shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation". 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, supplemented, restated or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth in the Loan Documents), (b) any reference herein to any law shall be construed as referring to such law as amended, modified, codified or reenacted, in whole or in part, and in effect from time to time, (c) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and assigns (subject to the restrictions contained in the Loan Documents), (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) with respect to the determination of any time period, the word "from" means "from and including" and the word "to" means "to and including", (f) any reference herein to Articles, Sections, Annexes, Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed to refer to Articles and Sections of, and Annexes, Exhibits and Schedules to, this Agreement, and (g) any reference to "the Borrower and the Restricted Subsidiaries" or "the Borrower and the Subsidiaries" shall be construed to mean "the Borrower and the other Restricted Subsidiaries" or the "Borrower and the other Subsidiaries", as applicable, and (h) any reference to "the Issuing Bank" shall mean "the Issuing Banks", "any Issuing Bank", or "such Issuing Bank", as appropriate in such context. No provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be interpreted or construed against any Person solely because such Person or its legal representative drafted such provision.

Section 1.05 Accounting Terms and Determinations; GAAP. Unless otherwise specified herein, all accounting terms used herein shall be interpreted, all determinations with respect to accounting matters hereunder shall be made, and all financial statements and certificates and reports as to financial matters required to be furnished to the Administrative Agent or the Lenders hereunder shall be prepared, in accordance with GAAP, applied on a basis consistent with the Financial Statements except (a) that, notwithstanding GAAP, Parent's and the Borrower's accounting treatment of capital leases and operating leases shall be consistent with the Parent's and the Borrower's accounting treatment thereof as was in effect on December 15, 2018, and (b) for changes in which Parent's independent certified public accountants concur and which are disclosed to Administrative Agent on the next date on which financial statements are required to be delivered to the Lenders pursuant to Section 8.01(a); *provided* that, unless the Borrower and the Majority Lenders shall otherwise agree in writing, no such change shall modify or affect the manner in which compliance with the covenants contained herein is computed such that all such computations shall be conducted utilizing financial information presented consistently with prior periods. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, unless otherwise expressly stated, for the purposes of calculating any of the ratios tested under Section 9.01 (including testing of such ratios at other times to the extent required under this Agreement), and the components of each of such ratios, all Unrestricted Subsidiaries, and their subsidiaries (including their assets, liabilities, income, losses, cash flows, and the elements thereof) shall be excluded, except for any cash dividends or distributions actually paid by any Unrestricted Subsidiary or any of its subsidiaries to the Parent, the Borrower or such other Restricted Subsidiary, which shall be deemed to be income to the Parent, the Borrower or

Section 1.06 <u>Divisions</u>. For all purposes under the Loan Documents, in connection with any division or plan of division under Delaware law (or any comparable event under a different jurisdiction's laws): (a) if any asset, right, obligation or liability of any Person becomes the asset, right, obligation or liability of a different Person, then it shall be deemed to have been transferred

from the original Person to the subsequent Person, and (b) if any new Person comes into existence, such new Person shall be deemed to have been organized on the first date of its existence by the holders of its Equity Interests at such time.

Section 1.07 <u>Rates</u>. The Administrative Agent does not warrant or accept responsibility for, and shall not have any liability with respect to, the administration, submission or any other matter related to the rates in the definition of LIBO Rate.

# ARTICLE II The Credits

Section 2.01 <u>Commitments</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Lender agrees to make Loans to the Borrower during the Availability Period in an aggregate principal amount that will not result in (a) such Lender's Revolving Credit Exposure exceeding such Lender's Commitment or (b) the total Revolving Credit Exposures exceeding the total Commitments. Within the foregoing limits and subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Borrower may borrow, repay and reborrow the Loans.

### Section 2.02 Loans and Borrowings.

(a) <u>Borrowings; Several Obligations</u>. Each Loan shall be made as part of a Borrowing consisting of Loans made by the Lenders ratably in accordance with their respective Commitments. 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 are several and no Lender shall be responsible for any other Lender's failure to make Loans as required.

(b) <u>Types of Loans</u>. Subject to Section 3.03, each Borrowing shall be comprised entirely of ABR Loans or Eurodollar Loans as the Borrower may request in accordance herewith. Each Lender at its option may make any Eurodollar Loan by causing any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of such Lender to make such Loan; *provided* that any exercise of such option shall not affect the obligation of the Borrower to repay such Loan in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

(c) <u>Minimum Amounts; Limitation on Number of Borrowings</u>. At the commencement of each Interest Period for any Eurodollar Borrowing, such Borrowing shall be in an aggregate amount that is an integral multiple of \$500,000 and not less than \$1,000,000. At the time that each ABR Borrowing is made, such Borrowing shall be in an aggregate amount that is an integral multiple of \$250,000 and not less than \$1,000,000; *provided* that an ABR Borrowing may be in an aggregate amount that is equal to the entire unused balance of the total Commitments or that is required to finance the reimbursement of an LC Disbursement as contemplated by Section 2.07(e). Borrowings of more than one Type may be outstanding at the same time, *provided* that there shall not at any time be more than a total of six (6) Eurodollar Borrowings outstanding. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Borrower 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 Maturity Date.

(d) <u>Notes</u>. If requested by a Lender, the Loans made by such Lender shall be evidenced by a single promissory note of the Borrower in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit A</u>, and,

in the case of any Lender party hereto as of the date of this Agreement, such Note shall be dated as of the date of this Agreement, or in the case of any Lender that becomes a party hereto pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption or an Additional Lender Certificate, such Note shall be dated as of the effective date of such Assignment and Assumption or Additional Lender Certificate, as applicable, payable to such Lender in a principal amount equal to its Commitment as in effect on such date, and otherwise duly completed. In the event that any Lender's Commitment increases or decreases for any reason (whether pursuant to Section 2.06, Section 12.04(b) or otherwise), the Borrower shall, upon request of such Lender, deliver or cause to be delivered on the effective date of such increase or decrease, a new Note payable to such Lender in a principal amount equal to its Commitment after giving effect to such increase or decrease, and otherwise duly completed, against return to the Borrower of the Note so replaced. The date, amount, Type, interest rate and, if applicable, Interest Period of each Loan made by each Lender, and all payments made on account of the principal thereof, shall be recorded by such Lender on its books for its Note, and, prior to any transfer, may be endorsed by such Lender on a schedule attached to such Note or any continuation thereof or on any separate record maintained by such Lender. Failure to make any such notation or to attach a schedule shall not affect any Lender's or the Borrower's rights or obligations in respect of such Loans or affect the validity of such transfer by any Lender of its Note.

Section 2.03 <u>Requests for Borrowings</u>. To request a Borrowing, the Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent of such request by telephone or e-mail (a) in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, not later than 12:00 noon, Houston, Texas time, three (3) Business Days before the date of the proposed Borrowing or (b) in the case of an ABR Borrowing, not later than 11:00 a.m., Houston, Texas time, on the Business Day of the proposed Borrowing; *provided* that no such notice shall be required for any deemed request of an ABR Borrowing to finance the reimbursement of an LC Disbursement as provided in Section 2.07(e). Each such telephonic or e-mail Borrowing Request shall be irrevocable and shall be confirmed promptly by hand delivery, or facsimile to the Administrative Agent of a written Borrowing Request in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit B</u> and signed by the Borrower. Each such telephonic and written Borrowing Request shall specify the following information in compliance with Section 2.02:

- (i) the aggregate amount of the requested Borrowing;
- (ii) the date of such Borrowing, which shall be a Business Day;
- (iii) whether such Borrowing is to be an ABR Borrowing or a Eurodollar Borrowing;

(iv) in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, the initial Interest Period to be applicable thereto, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of the term "Interest Period";

(v) the current total Revolving Credit Exposures (without regard to the requested Borrowing) and the *pro forma* total Revolving Credit Exposures (giving effect to the requested Borrowing); and

(vi) the location and number of the Borrower's account to which funds are to be disbursed, which shall comply with the requirements of Section 2.05.

If no election as to the Type of Borrowing is specified, then the requested Borrowing shall be an ABR Borrowing. If no Interest Period is specified with respect to any requested Eurodollar Borrowing, then the Borrower shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one month's duration. Each Borrowing Request shall constitute a representation that the amount of the requested Borrowing shall not cause the total Revolving Credit Exposures to exceed the total Commitments.

Promptly following receipt of a Borrowing Request in accordance with this Section 2.03, 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 Interest Elections.

(a) <u>Conversion and Continuance</u>. Each Borrowing initially shall be of the Type specified in the applicable Borrowing Request and, in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, shall have an initial Interest Period as specified in such Borrowing Request. Thereafter, the Borrower may elect to convert such Borrowing to a different Type or to continue such Borrowing and, in the case of a Eurodollar Borrowing, may elect Interest Periods therefor, all as provided in this Section 2.04. The Borrower 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.

(b) <u>Interest Election Requests</u>. To make an election pursuant to this Section 2.04, the Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent of such election by telephone or e-mail by the time that a Borrowing Request would be required under Section 2.03 if the Borrower were requesting a Borrowing of the Type resulting from such election to be made on the effective date of such election. Each such telephonic or e-mail Interest Election Request shall be irrevocable and shall be confirmed promptly by hand delivery or facsimile to the Administrative Agent of a written Interest Election Request in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit C</u> and signed by the Borrower.

(c) <u>Information in Interest Election Requests</u>. Each telephonic/e-mail and written Interest Election Request shall specify the following information in compliance with Section 2.02:

(i) 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 Section 2.04(c)(iii) and (iv) 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 Eurodollar Borrowing; and

(iv) if the resulting Borrowing is a Eurodollar 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 Eurodollar Borrowing but does not specify an Interest Period, then the Borrower shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one month's duration.

(d) <u>Notice to Lenders by the Administrative Agent</u>. Promptly following receipt of an Interest Election Request, the Administrative Agent shall advise each Lender of the details thereof and of such Lender's portion of each resulting Borrowing.

(e) <u>Effect of Failure to Deliver Timely Interest Election Request and Events of Default on Interest Election</u>. If the Borrower fails to deliver a timely Interest Election Request with respect to a Eurodollar 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 shall be converted to an ABR Borrowing. Notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing: (i) no outstanding Borrowing may be converted to or continued as a Eurodollar Borrowing (and any Interest Election Request that requests the conversion of any Borrowing to, or continuation of any Borrowing as, a Eurodollar Borrowing shall be ineffective) and (ii) unless repaid, each Eurodollar Borrowing shall be converted to an ABR Borrowing at the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto.

# Section 2.05 Funding of Borrowings; Funding by Lenders.

(a) <u>Funding by Lenders</u>. Each Lender shall make each Loan to be made by it hereunder on the proposed date thereof by wire transfer of immediately available funds by 1:00 p.m., Houston, Texas time, to the account of the Administrative Agent most recently designated by it for such purpose by notice to the Lenders. The Administrative Agent will make such Loans available to the Borrower by promptly crediting the amounts so received, in like funds, to an account of the Borrower maintained with the Administrative Agent in Houston, Texas and designated by the Borrower in the applicable Borrowing Request; *provided* that ABR Loans made to finance the reimbursement of an LC Disbursement as provided in Section 2.07(e) shall be remitted by the Administrative Agent to the Issuing Bank. Nothing herein shall be deemed to obligate any Lender to obtain the funds for its Loan in any particular place or manner or to constitute a representation by any Lender that it has obtained or will obtain the funds for its Loan in any particular place or manner.

(b) <u>Presumption of Funding by the Lenders</u>. 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 Section 2.05(a) and may, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the 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 Borrower 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 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 or (ii) in the case of the Borrower, the interest rate applicable to ABR 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 2.06 <u>Termination, Reduction and Increase of Commitments</u>.

(a) <u>Scheduled Termination of Commitments</u>. Unless previously terminated, the Commitments shall terminate on the Maturity Date. If at any time the Commitments are terminated or reduced to zero, then the Commitments shall terminate on the effective date of such termination or reduction.

# (b) Optional Termination and Reduction of Commitments.

(i) The Borrower may at any time terminate, or from time to time reduce, the aggregate Commitments; *provided* that (A) each reduction of the aggregate Commitments shall be in an amount that is an integral multiple of \$1,000,000 and not less than \$1,000,000, and (B) the Borrower shall not terminate or reduce the aggregate Commitments if, after giving effect to any concurrent prepayment of the Loans in accordance with Section 3.04, the total Revolving Credit Exposures would exceed the total Commitments.

(ii) The Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent of any election to terminate or reduce the aggregate Commitments under Section 2.06(b)(i) 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 pursuant to this Section 2.06(b)(ii) shall be irrevocable. Any termination or reduction of the Commitments shall be permanent and may not be reinstated. Each reduction of the aggregate Commitments shall be made ratably among the Lenders in accordance with each Lender's Applicable Percentage.

# (c) Optional Increase in Commitments.

(i) Subject to the conditions set forth in Section 2.06(c)(ii), the Borrower may increase the Commitments then in effect by increasing the Commitments of a Lender or by causing a Person that is acceptable to the Administrative Agent that at such time is not a Lender to become a Lender (an "<u>Additional Lender</u>"). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, in no case shall an Additional Lender be the Borrower or an Affiliate of a Borrower.

(ii) Any increase in the Commitments shall be subject to the following additional conditions:

(A) such increase shall not be less than \$25,000,000 unless the Administrative Agent otherwise consents, and no such increase shall be permitted if after giving effect thereto the aggregate amount of all such increases in the Commitments would exceed \$400,000,000;

(B) no Default shall have occurred and be continuing on the effective date of such increase;

(C) on the effective date of such increase, no Eurodollar Borrowings shall be outstanding or if any Eurodollar Borrowings are outstanding, then the effective date of such increase shall be the last day of the Interest Period in respect of such Eurodollar Borrowings unless the Borrower pays compensation required by Section 5.02;

(D) no Lender's Commitment may be increased without the consent of such Lender;

(E) the *pro forma* Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio as of the effective date of such increase (calculated in a manner reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent) does not exceed the applicable maximum ratio for the last day of the fiscal quarter in which such increase occurs as set forth in Section 9.01(a) assuming that, for purposes of calculating the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio as of such date, the Lenders have made Loans to the Borrower in an aggregate amount equal to the amount of the aggregate Commitments (including the amount of the increase in the Commitments on such date);

(F) if the Borrower elects to increase the Commitments by increasing the Commitments of a Lender, the Borrower and such Lender shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent a certificate substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit G</u> (an "<u>Commitment Increase</u> <u>Certificate</u>"); and

(G) if the Borrower elects to increase the Commitments by causing an Additional Lender to become a party to this Agreement, then the Borrower and such Additional Lender shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit H (an "Additional Lender Certificate"), together with an Administrative Questionnaire and a processing and recordation fee of \$3,500, and the Borrower shall (1) if requested by the Additional Lender, deliver a Note payable to such Additional Lender in a principal amount equal to its Commitment, and otherwise duly completed and (2) pay any applicable fees as may have been agreed to between the Borrower, the Additional Lender and/or the Administrative Agent.

(iii) Subject to acceptance and recording thereof pursuant to Section 2.06(c)(iv), from and after the effective date specified in the Commitment Increase Certificate or the Additional Lender Certificate (or if any Eurodollar Borrowings are outstanding, then the last day of the Interest Period in respect of such Eurodollar Borrowings, unless the Borrower has paid compensation required by Section 5.02): (A) the amount of the Commitments shall be increased as set forth therein, and (B) in the case of an Additional Lender Certificate, any Additional Lender party thereto shall be a party to this Agreement and have the rights and obligations of a Lender under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents. In addition, the

Lender or the Additional Lender, as applicable, shall purchase a pro rata portion of the outstanding Loans (and participation interests in Letters of Credit) of each of the other Lenders (and such Lenders hereby agree to sell and to take all such further action to effectuate such sale) such that each Lender (including any Additional Lender, if applicable) shall hold its Applicable Percentage of the outstanding Loans (and participation interests) after giving effect to the increase in the Commitments.

(iv) Upon its receipt of a duly completed Commitment Increase Certificate or an Additional Lender Certificate, executed by the Borrower and the Lender or by the Borrower and the Additional Lender party thereto, as applicable, the processing and recording fee referred to in Section 2.06(c)(ii) and the Administrative Questionnaire referred to in Section 2.06(c)(ii), if applicable, the Administrative Agent shall accept such Commitment Increase Certificate or Additional Lender Certificate and record the information contained therein in the Register required to be maintained by the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 12.04(b)(iv). No increase in the Commitments shall be effective for purposes of this Agreement unless it has been recorded in the Register as provided in this Section 2.06(c)(iv).

(v) Upon any increase in the Commitments pursuant to this Section 2.06, <u>Annex I</u> to this Agreement shall be deemed amended to reflect the Commitment of each Lender (including any Additional Lender) as thereby increased and any resulting changes in the Lenders' Applicable Percentages.

# Section 2.07 Letters of Credit.

(a) <u>General</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Borrower may request the issuance of dollar denominated Letters of Credit for its own account or for the account of any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, 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 an aggregate amount not to exceed (i) with respect to any individual Issuing Bank, such Issuing Bank's Individual LC Commitment or (ii) with respect to all Issuing Banks, the Aggregate LC Commitment. In the event of any direct or indirect inconsistency between the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the terms and conditions of any letter of credit application or other agreement submitted by the Borrower to, or entered into by the Borrower with, the Issuing Bank relating to any Letter of Credit, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall control. 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, in each case in violation of Sanctions, any activity or business of or with any Sanctioned Person, or involving any country or territory that, at the time of such funding, is a Sanctioned Country or (B) in any other 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, in either case, with jurisdiction over the Issuing Bank, shall by its terms purport to enjoin or restrain the Issuing Bank from issuing such Letter of Credit, or any Governmental Requirement relating to the Issuing Bank or any Governmental Authority with jurisdiction over the Issuing Bank shall prohibit, 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 reserve or capital

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 under similar circumstances for similarly situated borrowers; *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. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch, in its capacity as an Issuing Bank, shall only issue standby Letters of Credit, subject to the other terms and conditions set forth herein.

(b) <u>Notice of Issuance, Amendment, Renewal, Extension; Certain Conditions</u>. To request the issuance of a Letter of Credit (or the amendment, renewal or extension of an outstanding Letter of Credit), the Borrower shall hand deliver (or transmit by electronic communication, including facsimile, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the Issuing Bank) to the Issuing Bank and the Administrative Agent (not less than five (5) Business Days in advance of the requested date of issuance, amendment, renewal or extension) a notice:

- (i) requesting the issuance of a Letter of Credit or identifying the Letter of Credit to be amended, renewed or extended;
- (ii) specifying the date of issuance, amendment, renewal or extension (which shall be a Business Day);
- (iii) specifying the date on which such Letter of Credit is to expire (which shall comply with Section 2.07(c));
- (iv) specifying the amount of such Letter of Credit;

(v) specifying 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; and

(vi) specifying the current total Revolving Credit Exposures (without regard to the requested Letter of Credit or the requested amendment, renewal or extension of an outstanding Letter of Credit) and the *pro forma* total Revolving Credit Exposures (giving effect to the requested Letter of Credit or the requested amendment, renewal or extension of an outstanding Letter of Credit).

Each notice shall constitute a representation by the Borrower that after giving effect to the requested issuance, amendment, renewal or extension, as applicable, (i) the total LC Exposure shall not exceed the Aggregate LC Commitment, (ii) the aggregate maximum face amount of Letters of Credit issued by any Issuing Bank shall not exceed such Issuing Bank's Individual LC Commitment and (iii) the total Revolving Credit Exposures shall not exceed the total

Commitments. No Issuing Bank will issue a Letter of Credit if, after giving effect to the requested issuance, amendment, renewal or extension, as applicable, (i) the total LC Exposure would exceed the Aggregate LC Commitment or (ii) the total Revolving Credit Exposures would exceed the total Commitments.

If requested by the Issuing Bank, the 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; *provided* that, in the event of any direct or indirect conflict between such application or any Letter of Credit Agreement and the terms of this Agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall control.

(c) Expiration Date. Each Letter of Credit shall expire at or prior to the close of business on the earlier of (i) the date fifteen (15) months after the date of the issuance of such Letter of Credit (or, in the case of any renewal or extension thereof, fifteen (15) months after such renewal or extension) and (ii) the date that is five Business Days prior to the Maturity Date; *provided, however*, that any Letter of Credit may provide for the renewal thereof for additional periods, each of which shall not exceed fifteen (15) months (which shall in no event extend beyond the date referred to in clause (c)(ii) above). Notwithstanding the foregoing, each Letter of Credit issued by Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch, in its capacity as an Issuing Bank, shall expire at or prior to the close of business on the earlier of (A) the date twelve (12) months after the date of the issuance of such Letter of Credit (or, in the case of any renewal or extension thereof, twelve (12) months after such renewal or extension) and (B) the date that is five Business Days prior to the Maturity Date; *provided, however*, that any Letter of Credit may provide for the renewal thereof for additional periods, each of which shall no event extend beyond the date referred to in clause (c)(ii) above.

(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 Lenders, the Issuing Bank hereby grants to each Lender, and each 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 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 Borrower on the date due as provided in Section 2.07(e), or of any reimbursement payment required to be refunded to the Borrower for any reason. Each Lender acknowledges and agrees that its obligation to acquire participations pursuant to this Section 2.07(d) 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. The failure of any Lender to purchase participations in Letters of Credit required to be purchased by it shall not relieve any other Lender of its obligations hereunder; *provided* that each Lender's obligations under this Section 2.07(d) are several and no Lender shall be responsible for any other Lender's failure to purchase its respective participations in Letters of Credit as required.

(e) Reimbursement. If the Issuing Bank shall make any LC Disbursement in respect of a Letter of Credit, the Borrower shall reimburse such LC Disbursement by paying to the Administrative Agent an amount equal to such LC Disbursement not later than 12:00 noon, Houston, Texas time, on the date that such LC Disbursement is made, if the Borrower shall have received notice of such LC Disbursement prior to 10:00 a.m., Houston, Texas time, on such date, or, if such notice has not been received by the Borrower prior to such time on such date, then not later than 12:00 noon, Houston, Texas time, on the Business Day immediately following the day that the Borrower receives such notice; provided that if such LC Disbursement is not less than \$1,000,0000, the Borrower shall, subject to the conditions to Borrowing set forth herein, be deemed to have requested, and the Borrower does hereby request under such circumstances, that such payment be financed with an ABR Borrowing in an equivalent amount and, to the extent so financed, the Borrower's obligation to make such payment shall be discharged and replaced by the resulting ABR Borrowing. If the Borrower fails to make such payment when due, the Administrative Agent shall notify each Lender of the applicable LC Disbursement, the payment then due from the Borrower in respect thereof and such Lender's Applicable Percentage thereof. Promptly following receipt of such notice, each Lender shall pay to the Administrative Agent its Applicable Percentage of the payment then due from the Borrower, in the same manner as provided in Section 2.05 with respect to Loans made by such Lender (and Section 2.05 shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the payment obligations of the Lenders), and the Administrative Agent shall promptly pay to the Issuing Bank the amounts so received by it from the Lenders. Promptly following receipt by the Administrative Agent of any payment from the Borrower pursuant to this Section 2.07(e), the Administrative Agent shall distribute such payment to the Issuing Bank or, to the extent that Lenders have made payments pursuant to this Section 2.07(e) to reimburse the Issuing Bank, then to such Lenders and the Issuing Bank as their interests may appear. Any payment made by a Lender pursuant to this Section 2.07(e) to reimburse the Issuing Bank for any LC Disbursement (other than the funding of ABR Loans as contemplated above) shall not constitute a Loan and shall not relieve the Borrower of its obligation to reimburse such LC Disbursement.

(f) Obligations Absolute. The Borrower's obligation to reimburse LC Disbursements as provided in Section 2.07(e) 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, any Letter of Credit Agreement or this Agreement, or any term or provision therein, (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) 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 any Letter of Credit Agreement, 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 2.07(f), constitute a legal or equitable discharge of, or provide a right of setoff against, the Borrower's obligations hereunder. Neither the Administrative Agent, the Lenders nor the Issuing Bank, nor 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 Borrower to the extent of any direct damages (as opposed to consequential damages, claims in respect of which are hereby waived by the Borrower to the extent permitted by applicable law) suffered by the 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 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 all requisite 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 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 Borrower by telephone (confirmed by e-mail) 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 Borrower of its obligation to reimburse the Issuing Bank and the Lenders with respect to any such LC Disbursement.

(h) <u>Interim Interest</u>. If the Issuing Bank shall make any LC Disbursement, then, until the Borrower shall have reimbursed the Issuing Bank for such LC Disbursement (either with its own funds or a Borrowing under Section 2.07(e)), 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 Borrower reimburses such LC Disbursement, at the rate per annum then applicable to ABR Loans. Interest accrued pursuant to this Section 2.07(e) is before the account of the Issuing Bank, except that interest accrued on and after the date of payment by any Lender pursuant to Section 2.07(e) to reimburse the Issuing Bank shall be for the account of such Lender to the extent of such payment.

# (i) <u>Replacement and Resignation of an Issuing Bank</u>.

(i) Any Issuing Bank may be removed or replaced at any time by written agreement among the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the removed or replaced Issuing Bank and the successor Issuing Bank, which written agreement shall set forth such successor Issuing Bank's Individual LC Commitment. The Administrative Agent shall notify the Lenders of any such removal or replacement of the Issuing Bank. At the time any such removal or replacement shall become effective, the Borrower shall pay all unpaid fees accrued for the account of the replaced Issuing Bank pursuant to Section 3.05(b). From and after the effective date of any such removal or 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 removal or replacement of the Issuing Bank hereunder, the removed or replaced Issuing Bank shall remain a party hereto and shall continue to have all the rights and obligations of the Issuing Bank under this Agreement with respect to Letters of Credit issued by it prior to such removal or replacement, but shall not be required to issue additional Letters of Credit.

(ii) Subject to the appointment and acceptance of a successor Issuing Bank, any Issuing Bank may resign as an Issuing Bank at any time upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Administrative Agent, the Borrower, and the Lenders, in which case, such resigning Issuing Bank may be replaced in accordance with <u>Section 2.08(i)(i)</u> above.

(i) <u>Cash Collateralization</u>. If (i) any Event of Default shall occur and be continuing and the Borrower receives notice from the Administrative Agent or the Majority Lenders demanding the deposit of cash collateral pursuant to this Section 2.07(j), or (ii) the Borrower is required to pay to the Administrative Agent the excess attributable to an LC Exposure in connection with any prepayment pursuant to Section 3.04(c), then the Borrower shall deposit, in an account with the Administrative Agent, in the name of the Administrative Agent and for the benefit of the Lenders, an amount in cash equal to, in the case of an Event of Default, the LC Exposure, and in the case of a payment required by Section 3.04(c), the amount of such excess as provided in Section 3.04(c), as of such date plus any 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 the Parent, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary described in Section 10.01(h) or Section 10.01(i). The Borrower hereby grants to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Issuing Bank and the Lenders, an exclusive first priority and continuing perfected security interest in and Lien on such account and all cash, checks, drafts, certificates and instruments, if any, from time to time deposited or held in such account, all deposits or wire transfers made thereto, any and all investments purchased with funds deposited in such account, all interest, dividends, cash, instruments, financial assets and other Property from time to time received, receivable or otherwise payable in respect of, or in exchange for, any or all of the foregoing, and all proceeds, products, accessions, rents, profits, income and benefits therefrom, and any substitutions and replacements therefor. The Borrower's obligation to deposit amounts pursuant to this Section 2.07(j) shall be absolute and unconditional, without regard to whether any beneficiary of any such Letter of Credit has attempted to draw down all or a portion of such amount under the terms of a Letter of Credit, and, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, shall not be subject to any defense or be affected by a right of set-off, counterclaim or recoupment which the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiaries may now or hereafter have against any such beneficiary, the Issuing Bank, the Administrative Agent, the Lenders or any other Person for any reason whatsoever. Such deposit shall be held as collateral securing the payment and performance of the obligations of the Borrower and the Guarantors under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents. The Administrative Agent shall have exclusive dominion and control, including the exclusive right of withdrawal, over such account. Other than any interest earned on the investment of such deposits, which investments, if any, shall be made at the option and sole discretion of the Administrative Agent, but subject to the consent (not to be unreasonably withheld) of the Borrower, and at the Borrower's 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 Borrower for the LC Exposure at such time or, if the maturity of the Loans has been accelerated, be applied to satisfy other obligations of the Borrower and any Restricted Subsidiary under this Agreement or the other Loan Documents. If the Borrower is required to provide an amount of cash collateral hereunder as a result of the occurrence of an Event of Default, and the Borrower is not otherwise required to pay to the Administrative Agent the excess attributable to an LC Exposure in connection with any prepayment pursuant to Section 3.04(c), then such amount (to the extent not applied as aforesaid) shall be returned to the Borrower within three (3) Business Days after all Events of Default have been cured or waived.

### Section 2.08 Cash Collateral.

(a) <u>Defaulting Lenders</u>. At any time that there shall exist a Defaulting Lender, within one (1) Business Day following the written request of the Administrative Agent or the Issuing Bank (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), the Borrower shall Cash Collateralize the Fronting Exposure of the Issuing Bank with respect to such Defaulting Lender (determined after giving effect to Section 2.09(a)(iv) and any Cash Collateral provided by such Defaulting Lender) in an amount not less than the Minimum Collateral Amount. The Borrower may use proceeds of Borrowings for the provision of Cash Collateral (so long as no Default or Event of Default exists).

(b) <u>Grant of Security Interest</u>. The Borrower, and to the extent provided by any Defaulting Lender, such Defaulting Lender, hereby grants to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Issuing Bank, and agrees to maintain, a first priority security interest in all such Cash Collateral as security for the Defaulting Lender's obligation to fund participations in respect of LC Exposure, to be applied pursuant to subsection (c) below. If at any time the Administrative Agent determines that Cash Collateral is subject to any right or claim of any Person other than the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank as herein provided, or that the total amount of such Cash Collateral is less than the Minimum Collateral Amount, the Borrower will, within 2 Business Days upon demand by the Administrative Agent, pay or provide to the Administrative Agent additional Cash Collateral in an amount sufficient to eliminate such deficiency (after giving effect to any Cash Collateral provided by the Defaulting Lender).

(c) <u>Application</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Cash Collateral provided under this Section 2.08 or Section 2.09 in respect of Letters of Credit shall be applied to the satisfaction of the Defaulting Lender's obligation to fund participations in respect of LC Exposure (including, as to Cash Collateral provided by a Defaulting Lender, any interest accrued on such obligation) for which the Cash Collateral was so provided, prior to any other application of such property as may otherwise be provided for herein.

(d) <u>Termination of Requirement</u>. Cash Collateral (or the appropriate portion thereof) provided to reduce the Fronting Exposure of the Issuing Bank shall no longer be required to be held as Cash Collateral pursuant to this Section 2.08 following (i) the elimination of the applicable Fronting Exposure (including by the termination of Defaulting Lender status of the applicable Lender), or (ii) the determination by the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank that there exists excess Cash Collateral; provided that, subject to Section 2.09, the Person

providing Cash Collateral and the Issuing Bank may agree that Cash Collateral shall be held to support future anticipated Fronting Exposure or other obligations; and provided further that to the extent that such Cash Collateral was provided by the Borrower, such Cash Collateral shall remain subject to the security interest granted pursuant to the Loan Documents.

## Section 2.09 Defaulting Lenders.

(a) <u>Defaulting Lender Adjustments</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then, until such time as such Lender is no longer a Defaulting Lender, to the extent permitted by applicable law:

(i) <u>Waivers and Amendments</u>. Such Defaulting Lender's right to approve or disapprove any amendment, waiver or consent with respect to this Agreement shall be restricted as set forth in the definition of Majority Lenders.

(ii) Defaulting Lender Waterfall. Any payment of principal, interest, fees or other amounts received by the Administrative Agent for the account of such Defaulting Lender (whether voluntary or mandatory, at maturity, pursuant to Article X or otherwise) or received by the Administrative Agent from a Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 12.08 shall be applied at such time or times as may be determined by the Administrative Agent as follows: first, to the payment of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender to the Administrative Agent hereunder; second, to the payment on a pro rata basis of any amounts owing by such Defaulting Lender to the Issuing Banks hereunder; third, to Cash Collateralize the Fronting Exposure of the Issuing Banks with respect to such Defaulting Lender in accordance with Section 2.08; fourth, as the Borrower may request (so long as no Default or Event of Default exists), to the funding of any Loan or funded participation in respect of which such Defaulting Lender has failed to fund its portion thereof as required by this Agreement, as determined by the Administrative Agent; fifth, if so determined by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to be held in a deposit account and released pro rata in order to (A) satisfy such Defaulting Lender's potential future funding obligations with respect to Loans and funded participations under this Agreement and (B) Cash Collateralize the Issuing Banks' future Fronting Exposure with respect to such Defaulting Lender with respect to future Letters of Credit issued under this Agreement, in accordance with Section 2.08; sixth, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Lenders or the Issuing Banks as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by any Lender or any Issuing Bank against such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; seventh, so long as no Default or Event of Default exists, to the payment of any amounts owing to the Borrower as a result of any judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction obtained by the Borrower against such Defaulting Lender as a result of such Defaulting Lender's breach of its obligations under this Agreement; and eighth, to such Defaulting Lender or as otherwise directed by a court of competent jurisdiction; provided that if (1) such payment is a payment of the principal amount of any Loans or funded participations in Letters of Credit in respect of which such Defaulting Lender has not fully funded its appropriate share, and (2) such Loans were made or the related Letters of Credit were issued at a time when the conditions set forth in Section 6.02 were satisfied or waived, such payment shall be applied solely to pay the Loans of, and funded participations in Letters of Credit owed to, all Non-Defaulting Lenders on a pro rata basis prior to being applied to the payment of any Loans of, or funded participations in Letters of Credit owed to, such Defaulting Lender until such time as all Loans and funded and

unfunded participations in LC Exposure are held by the Lenders pro rata in accordance with the Commitment under the Agreement without giving effect to Section 2.09(a)(iv). Any payments, prepayments or other amounts paid or payable to a Defaulting Lender that are applied (or held) to pay amounts owed by a Defaulting Lender or to post Cash Collateral pursuant to this Section 2.09(a)(ii) shall be deemed paid to and redirected by such Defaulting Lender, and each Lender irrevocably consents hereto.

## (iii) Certain Fees.

(A) No Defaulting Lender shall be entitled to receive any commitment fee for any period during which that Lender is a Defaulting Lender (and the Borrower shall not be required to pay any such fee that otherwise would have been required to have been paid to that Defaulting Lender).

(B) Each Defaulting Lender shall be entitled to receive letter of credit fees pursuant to Section 3.05(b) for any period during which that Lender is a Defaulting Lender only to the extent allocable to its Applicable Percentage of the stated amount of Letters of Credit for which it has provided Cash Collateral pursuant to Section 2.09.

(C) With respect to any commitment fee or letter of credit fee not required to be paid to any Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (A) or (B) above, the Borrower shall (1) pay to each Non-Defaulting Lender that portion of any such fee otherwise payable to such Defaulting Lender's participation in LC Exposure that has been reallocated to such Non-Defaulting Lender pursuant to clause (iv) below, (2) pay to each Issuing Bank, as applicable, the amount of any such fee otherwise payable to such Defaulting Lender to the extent allocable to such Issuing Bank's Fronting Exposure to such Defaulting Lender, and (3) not be required to pay the remaining amount of any such fee.

(iv) <u>Reallocation of Participations to Reduce Fronting Exposure</u>. All or any part of such Defaulting Lender's participation in LC Exposure shall be reallocated among the Non-Defaulting Lenders in accordance with their respective Applicable Percentages (calculated without regard to such Defaulting Lender's Commitment) but only to the extent that (x) the conditions set forth in Section 6.02 are satisfied at the time of such reallocation (and, unless the Borrower shall have otherwise notified the Administrative Agent at such time, the Borrower shall be deemed to have represented and warranted that such conditions are satisfied at such time), and (y) such reallocation does not cause the aggregate Revolving Credit Exposure of any Non-Defaulting Lender to exceed such Non-Defaulting Lender's Applicable Percentage of the aggregate Commitments. Subject to Section 12.17, no reallocation hereunder shall constitute a waiver or release of any claim of any party hereunder against a Defaulting Lender arising from that Lender having become a Defaulting Lender, including any claim of a Non-Defaulting Lender as a result of such Non-Defaulting Lender's increased exposure following such reallocation.

(v) <u>Cash Collateral</u>. If the reallocation described in clause (iv) above cannot, or can only partially, be effected, the Borrower shall, without prejudice to any right or remedy available to it hereunder or under law, Cash Collateralize the Issuing Bank's Fronting Exposure in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 2.09.

(b) <u>Defaulting Lender Cure</u>. If the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank agree in writing that a Lender is no longer a Defaulting Lender, the Administrative Agent will so notify the parties hereto, whereupon as of the effective date specified in such notice and subject to any conditions set forth therein (which may include arrangements with respect to any Cash Collateral), such Lender will, to the extent applicable, purchase at par that portion of outstanding Loans of the other Lenders or take such other actions as the Administrative Agent may determine to be necessary to cause the Loans and funded and unfunded participations in Letters of Credit to be held pro rata by the Lenders in accordance with the Commitments under this Agreement (without giving effect to Section 2.09(a)(iv)), whereupon such Lender will cease to be a Defaulting Lender; provided that no adjustments will be made retroactively with respect to fees accrued or payments made by or on behalf of the Borrower while that Lender was a Defaulting Lender; and provided, further, that except to the extent otherwise expressly agreed by the affected parties, no change hereunder from Defaulting Lender to Lender will constitute a waiver or release of any claim of any party hereunder arising from that Lender's having been a Defaulting Lender.

(c) <u>New Letters of Credit</u>. So long as any Lender is a Defaulting Lender, no Issuing Bank shall be required to issue, extend, renew or increase any Letter of Credit unless it is satisfied that it will have no Fronting Exposure after giving effect thereto.

# ARTICLE III

# Payments of Principal and Interest; Prepayments; Fees

Section 3.01 <u>Repayment of Loans</u>. The Borrower hereby unconditionally promises to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender the then unpaid principal amount of each Loan on the Termination Date.

#### Section 3.02 Interest.

(a) <u>ABR Loans</u>. The Loans comprising each ABR Borrowing shall bear interest at the Alternate Base Rate plus the Applicable Margin, but in no event to exceed the Highest Lawful Rate.

(b) <u>Eurodollar Loans</u>. The Loans comprising each Eurodollar Borrowing shall bear interest at the Adjusted LIBO Rate for the Interest Period in effect for such Borrowing plus the Applicable Margin, but in no event to exceed the Highest Lawful Rate.

(c) <u>Post-Default Rate</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, then all Loans outstanding shall bear interest, after as well as before judgment, at a rate per annum equal to two percent (2%) plus the rate applicable to ABR Loans as provided in Section 3.02(a), but in no event to exceed the Highest Lawful Rate.

(d) <u>Interest Payment Dates</u>. Accrued interest on each Loan shall be payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date for such Loan and on the Termination Date; *provided* that (i) interest accrued pursuant to Section 3.02(c) shall be payable on demand, (ii) in the event of any repayment or prepayment of any Loan (other than an optional prepayment of an ABR Loan prior to the Termination Date), 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 Eurodollar 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) Interest Rate Computations. All interest hereunder shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days, unless such computation would exceed the Highest Lawful Rate, in which case interest shall be computed on the basis of a year of 365 days (or 366 days in a leap year), except that interest computed by reference to the Alternate Base Rate at times when the Alternate Base Rate is based on the Prime Rate 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 LIBO Rate or LIBO Rate shall be determined by the Administrative Agent, and such determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error, and be binding upon the parties hereto.

Section 3.03 <u>Alternate Rate of Interest</u>. If prior to the commencement of any Interest Period for a Eurodollar Borrowing:

(a) the Administrative Agent determines (which determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error) that adequate and reasonable means do not exist for ascertaining the Adjusted LIBO Rate or the LIBO Rate for such Interest Period; or

(b) the Administrative Agent is advised by the Majority Lenders that the Adjusted LIBO Rate or LIBO Rate, as applicable, for such Interest Period will not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders of making or maintaining their Loans included in such Borrowing for such Interest Period;

then the Administrative Agent shall give notice thereof to the Borrower and the Lenders by telephone or email as promptly as practicable thereafter and, until the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower 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 Borrowing to, or continuation of any Borrowing as, a Eurodollar Borrowing shall be ineffective, and (ii) if any Borrowing Request requests a Eurodollar Borrowing, such Borrowing shall be made as an ABR Borrowing.

### Section 3.04 Prepayments.

(a) <u>Optional Prepayments</u>. The Borrower 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 Section 3.04(b).

(b) <u>Notice and Terms of Optional Prepayment</u>. The Borrower shall notify the Administrative Agent by telephone or e-mail (confirmed by facsimile) of any prepayment hereunder (i) in the case of prepayment of a Eurodollar Borrowing, not later than 12:00 noon, New York City time, three (3) Business Days before the date of prepayment, or (ii) in the case of prepayment of an ABR Borrowing, not later than 12:00 noon, New York City time, one (1) Business Day before 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. Promptly following receipt of any such notice relating to a Borrowing, the Administrative Agent shall advise the Lenders of the contents thereof. Each partial prepayment of any Borrowing shall be in an amount that would be permitted in the case of an advance of a Borrowing of the same Type as provided in Section 2.02.

# (c) Mandatory Prepayments.

(i) If, after giving effect to any termination or reduction of the Commitments pursuant to Section 2.06(b), the total Revolving Credit Exposures exceeds the total Commitments, then the Borrower shall (A) prepay the Borrowings on the date of such termination or reduction in an aggregate principal amount equal to such excess, and (B) if any excess remains after prepaying all of the Borrowings as a result of an LC Exposure, pay to the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Lenders an amount equal to such excess to be held as cash collateral as provided in Section 2.07(j).

(ii) The Borrower shall prepay the outstanding principal amount of Loans in amounts equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the aggregate Net Proceeds from any Asset Disposition. Such prepayments shall be made within one (1) Business Day after the date of receipt of the Net Proceeds of any such Asset Disposition by such Credit Party; *provided* that so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, no prepayments of aggregate Net Proceeds from Asset Dispositions shall be required hereunder to the extent such Net Proceeds are used to (A) acquire other assets useful in the ordinary course of the business of the Credit Parties, (B) fund Expansion Capital Expenditures, or (C) make Permitted Acquisitions, in each case, within three hundred sixty (360) days after receipt of such Net Proceeds by the Credit Parties, or such longer period of time as may be agreed to by Majority Lenders; *provided*, however, that any portion of the Net Proceeds not actually reinvested within the applicable time period shall be prepaid in accordance with this Section 3.04(c).

## (iii) [Reserved].

(iv) The Borrower shall prepay the outstanding principal amount of Loans in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the aggregate Net Proceeds from any Insurance and Condemnation Event received by any Credit Party. Such prepayments shall be made within one (1) Business Day after the date of receipt of Net Proceeds of any such Insurance and Condemnation Event by such Credit Party; *provided* that, so long as no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, no prepayments of aggregate Net Proceeds from Insurance and Condemnation Events shall be required hereunder to the extent such Net Proceeds are used to (A) acquire other assets useful in the ordinary course of the business of the Credit Parties, (B) fund Expansion Capital Expenditures, or (C) make Permitted Acquisitions, in each case, within three hundred sixty (360) days after receipt of such Net Proceeds by the Credit Parties, or such longer period of time as may be agreed to by Majority Lenders; *provided*, *however*, that any portion of the Net Proceeds not actually reinvested within the applicable time period shall be prepaid in accordance with this Section 3.04(c).

(v) A mandatory prepayment under this Section 3.04(c) shall not reduce the aggregate Commitments.

# (d) Prepayments in General.

(i) Unless otherwise elected by the Borrower, each prepayment of Borrowings pursuant to this Section 3.04 shall be applied, first, ratably to any ABR Borrowings then outstanding, and, second, to any Eurodollar Borrowings then outstanding, and if more than one Eurodollar Borrowing is then outstanding, to each such Eurodollar Borrowing in order of priority beginning with the Eurodollar Borrowing with the least number of days remaining in the Interest Period applicable thereto and ending with the Eurodollar Borrowing with the most number of days remaining in the Interest Period applicable thereto.

(ii) Each prepayment of Borrowings pursuant to this Section 3.04 shall be applied ratably to the Loans included in the prepaid Borrowings. Prepayments pursuant to this Section 3.04 shall be accompanied by accrued interest to the extent required by Section 3.02.

(iii) Prepayments permitted or required under this Section 3.04 shall be without premium or penalty, except as required under

# Section 5.02.

#### Section 3.05 Fees.

(a) <u>Commitment Fees</u>. The Borrower agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender a commitment fee, which shall accrue at the applicable Commitment Fee Rate on the average daily amount of the unused amount of the Commitment of such Lender during the period from and including the date of this Agreement to but excluding the Termination Date. Accrued commitment fees shall be payable in arrears on the last day of March, June, September and December of each year and on the Termination Date, 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, unless such computation would exceed the Highest Lawful Rate, in which case such fees shall be computed on the basis of a year of 365 days (or 366 days in a leap year), and shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed (including the first day but excluding the last day).

(b) Letter of Credit Fees. The Borrower agrees to pay (i) to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Lender a participation fee with respect to its participations in Letters of Credit, which shall accrue at the same Applicable Margin used to determine the interest rate applicable to Eurodollar Loans on the average daily amount of such Lender's LC Exposure (excluding any portion thereof attributable to unreimbursed LC Disbursements) during the period from and including the date of this Agreement to but excluding the later of the date on which such Lender's Commitment terminates and the date on which such Lender ceases to have any LC Exposure (during the continuation of an Event of Default, such participation fee shall increase by 2% per annum over the then applicable rate), (ii) to the Issuing Bank a fronting fee, which shall accrue at the rate of 0.125% per annum on the average daily amount of the LC Exposure attributable to such Issuing Bank (excluding any portion thereof attributable to unreimbursed LC Disbursements) during the period from and including the date of this Agreement to but excluding the later of the date of the date of termination of the CO unreimbursed LC Disbursements) during the period from and including the date of this Agreement 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 attributable to such Issuing Bank, provided that in no event shall any such fee for any such Issuing Bank be less than \$500 during any calendar year, and (iii) to the Issuing Bank, for its own account, its standard fees with respect to the issuance, amendment, 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 date of this Agreement; *provided* that all such fees shall be payable on the Termination Date and any such fees accruing after the Termination Date shall be payable on demand. Any other fees payable to the Issuing Bank pursuant to this Section 3.05(b) shall be payable within 10 days after demand. All participation fees and fronting fees shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days, unless such computation would exceed the Highest Lawful Rate, in which case interest shall be computed on the basis of a year of 365 days (or 366 days in a leap year), and shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed (including the first day but excluding the last day).

(c) <u>Other Fees</u>. The Borrower agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent, for its own account and for the account of each Lender, as applicable, fees payable in the amounts and at the times separately agreed upon between the Borrower and the Administrative Agent.

# ARTICLE IV

# Payments; Pro Rata Treatment; Sharing of Set-offs

Section 4.01 Payments Generally; Pro Rata Treatment; Sharing of Set-offs.

(a) <u>Payments by the Borrower</u>. The Borrower 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 Section 5.01, Section 5.02, Section 5.03 or otherwise) prior to 12:00 noon, Houston, Texas time, on the date when due, in immediately available funds, without defense, deduction, recoupment, set-off or counterclaim. Fees, once paid, shall be fully earned and shall not be refundable under any circumstances absent manifest error. 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. All such payments shall be made to the Administrative Agent at its offices specified in Section 12.01, except payments to be made directly to the Issuing Bank as expressly provided herein and except that payments pursuant to Section 5.01, Section 5.02, Section 5.03 and Section 12.03 shall be made directly to the Persons entitled thereto. 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 shall be made in dollars.

(b) <u>Application of Insufficient Payments</u>. If at any time insufficient funds are received by and available to the Administrative Agent to pay fully all amounts of principal, unreimbursed LC Disbursements, interest and fees then due hereunder, such funds shall be applied (i) first, towards payment of interest and fees then due hereunder, ratably among the parties entitled thereto in accordance with the amounts of interest and fees then due to such parties, and (ii) second, towards payment of principal and unreimbursed LC Disbursements then due hereunder, ratably among the parties entitled thereto in accordance with the amounts of principal and unreimbursed LC Disbursements then due to such parties.

(c) Sharing of Payments by Lenders. If 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 accrued interest thereon than the proportion received by any other Lender, then the Lender receiving such greater proportion shall purchase (for cash at face value) participations in the Loans and participations in LC Disbursements of other Lenders to the extent necessary so that the benefit of all such payments shall be shared by the Lenders ratably in accordance with the aggregate amount of principal of and accrued interest on their respective Loans and participations in LC Disbursements; *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 Section 4.01(c) shall not be construed to apply to any payment made by the Borrower pursuant to and in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement or any payment obtained by a Lender as consideration for the assignment of or sale of a participation in any of its Loans or participations in LC Disbursements to any assignee or participant, other than to the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary or Affiliate thereof (as to which the provisions of this Section 4.01(c) shall apply). The 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 the Borrower rights of set-off and counterclaim with respect to such participation as fully as if such Lender were a direct creditor of the Borrower in the amount of such part

Section 4.02 <u>Presumption of Payment by the Borrower</u>. Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from the Borrower prior to the date on which any payment is due to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders or the Issuing Bank that the Borrower will not make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that the Borrower has 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 Borrower has 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.

Section 4.03 <u>Certain Deductions by the Administrative Agent</u>. If any Lender shall fail to make any payment required to be made by it pursuant to Section 2.05(b), Section 2.07(d), Section 2.07(e), or Section 4.02, or otherwise hereunder, then the Administrative Agent may, in its discretion (notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof), apply any amounts thereafter received by the Administrative Agent for the account of such Lender to satisfy such Lender's obligations under such Sections until all such unsatisfied obligations are fully paid. If at any time prior to the acceleration or maturity of the Loans, the Administrative Agent shall receive any payment in respect of principal of a Loan or a reimbursement of an LC Disbursement while one or more Defaulting Lenders shall be party to this Agreement, the Administrative Agent shall apply such payment first to the Borrowing(s) for which such Defaulting Lender(s) shall have failed to fund its pro rata share until such time as such Borrowing(s) are paid in full or each Lender

(including each Defaulting Lender) is owed its Applicable Percentage (without giving effect to Section 2.09(a)(iv)) of all Loans then outstanding. After acceleration or maturity of the Loans, all principal will be paid ratably as provided in Section 10.02(c).

# ARTICLE V Increased Costs; Break Funding Payments; Taxes; Illegality

Section 5.01 Increased Costs.

(a) <u>Eurodollar Changes in Law</u>. If any Change in Law shall:

(i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve, special deposit or similar requirement 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 LIBO Rate);

(ii) subject any recipient to any Taxes (other than (A) Indemnified Taxes, (B) Taxes described in clauses (b) through (e) 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; or

(iii) impose on any Lender or the London interbank market any other condition affecting this Agreement or Eurodollar Loans made by such Lender;

and the result of any of the foregoing shall be to increase the cost to such Lender of making or maintaining any Eurodollar Loan (or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan) or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by such Lender (whether of principal, interest or otherwise), then the Borrower will pay to such Lender such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered.

(b) <u>Capital Requirements</u>. 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 liquidity or on the capital or liquidity of such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's holding company, if any, as a consequence of this Agreement or the Loans made by, or participations in Letters of Credit 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 holding company could have achieved but for such Change in Law (taking into consideration such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's holding company with respect to capital adequacy and liquidity), then from time to time the Borrower 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's holding company for any such reduction suffered.

(c) <u>Certificates</u>. 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 Section 5.01(a) or (b) shall be delivered to the Borrower and shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The Borrower shall pay such Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, the amount shown as due on any such certificate within 10 days after receipt thereof.

(d) <u>Effect of Failure or Delay in Requesting Compensation</u>. Failure or delay on the part of any Lender or the Issuing Bank to demand compensation pursuant to this Section 5.01 shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's right to demand such compensation; *provided* that the Borrower shall not be required to compensate a Lender or the Issuing Bank pursuant to this Section 5.01 for any increased costs or reductions incurred more than 180 days prior to the date that such Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, notifies the Borrower of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the 180-day period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof.

Section 5.02 <u>Break Funding Payments</u>. In the event of (a) the payment of any principal of any Eurodollar Loan other than on the last day of an Interest Period applicable thereto (including as a result of an Event of Default), (b) the conversion of any Eurodollar Loan into an ABR Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto, (c) the failure to borrow, convert, continue or prepay any Eurodollar Loan on the date specified in any notice delivered pursuant hereto, or (d) the assignment of any Eurodollar Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto as a result of a request by the Borrower pursuant to Section 5.04(b), then, in any such event, the Borrower shall compensate each Lender for the loss, cost and expense attributable to such event. In the case of a Eurodollar 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 Loan had such event not occurred, at the Adjusted LIBO Rate that would have been applicable to such 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 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 5.02 shall be delivered to the Borrower and shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The Borrower shall pay such Lender the amount shown as due on any such certificate within 10 days after receipt thereof.

#### Section 5.03 Taxes.

(a) <u>Defined Terms</u>. For purposes of this Section 5.03, the term "Lender" includes any Issuing Bank and the term "applicable law" includes FATCA.

(b) <u>Payments Free of Taxes</u>. Any and all payments by or on account of any obligation of the Borrower or any Guarantor 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 Borrower or a Guarantor, as applicable, 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 5.03), the amounts received with respect to this Agreement equal the sum which would have been received had no such deduction or withholding been made.

(c) <u>Payment of Other Taxes by the Borrower</u>. The Borrower shall timely pay to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law, or at the written direction of the Administrative Agent timely reimburse it for, Other Taxes.

(d) <u>Indemnification by the Borrower</u>. The Borrower shall indemnify the Administrative Agent and each Lender, within 10 days after written 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 5.03) payable or paid by the Borrower or a Guarantor, as applicable, or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to the Administrative Agent or a Lender, as applicable, 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 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 10 days after demand therefor, for (i) any Taxes attributable to such Lender (but only to the extent that the Borrower or a Guarantor has not already indemnified the Administrative Agent for such Taxes and without limiting the obligation of the Borrower and the Guarantors to do so) and (ii) any Taxes attributable to such Lender's failure to comply with the provisions of Section 12.04(c) relating to the maintenance of a Participant Register, in either 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 the Lender from any other source against any amount due to the Administrative Agent under this paragraph (e).

(f) <u>Evidence of Payments</u>. As soon as practicable after any payment of Indemnified Taxes or Other Taxes by the Borrower or a Guarantor to a Governmental Authority, the Borrower 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.

## (g) 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 and the Administrative Agent, at the time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower 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 or the Administrative Agent, shall deliver such other documentation prescribed by applicable law or reasonably requested by the Borrower or the Administrative Agent as will enable the Borrower 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 5.03(g)(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,

(A) any Lender that is a U.S. Person shall deliver to the Borrower 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 or the Administrative Agent), executed copies of IRS Form W-9 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 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 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 United States is a party (1) with respect to payments of interest under any Loan Document, executed copies of 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 (2) with respect to any other applicable payments under any Loan Document, 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) executed copies of IRS Form W-8ECI;

(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 I-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 the Borrower

within the meaning of Section 871(h)(3)(B) of the Code, or a "controlled foreign corporation" described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code (a "<u>U.S.</u> <u>Tax Compliance Certificate</u>") and (y) executed copies of IRS Form W-8BEN (or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable); or

(4) to the extent a Foreign Lender is not the beneficial owner, executed copies of IRS Form W-8IMY, 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 I-2 or Exhibit I-3, IRS Form W-9, 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 I-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 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 or the Administrative Agent), executed copies 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 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 and the Administrative Agent at the time or times prescribed by law and at such time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower 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 or 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.

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 and the Administrative Agent in writing of its legal inability to do so.

(h) <u>Treatment of Certain Refunds</u>. If any party determines, in its sole, but reasonable, discretion exercised in good faith, that it has received a refund of any Taxes as to which it has been indemnified pursuant to this Section 5.03 (including by the payment of additional amounts pursuant to this Section 5.03), 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 with respect to the Taxes giving rise to such refund), net of all reasonable 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 (h) (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 (h), in no event will the indemnified party be required to pay any amount to an indemnifying party pursuant to this paragraph (h) 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 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.

(i) <u>Survival</u>. Each party's obligations under this Section 5.03 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 the Loan Documents.

## Section 5.04 <u>Mitigation Obligations; Replacement of Lenders</u>.

(a) <u>Designation of Different Lending Office</u>. If any Lender requests compensation under Section 5.01, or if the Borrower is required to pay any Indemnified Taxes or additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 5.03, 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 Section 5.01 or Section 5.03, 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 Borrower hereby agrees to pay all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by any Lender in connection with any such designation or assignment.

(b) <u>Replacement of Lenders</u>. If any Lender requests compensation under Section 5.01, or if the Borrower is required to pay any additional amount to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 5.03, if it becomes unlawful for any Lender or its applicable lending office to make Eurodollar Loans or any Governmental Authority has imposed material restrictions on the authority of such Lender to purchase or sell, or to take deposits of, dollars in the London interbank market, in each case, as described in Section 5.05, or while a Lender is a Defaulting Lender, then the Borrower may, at its 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 12.04(b)), all its interests, rights and obligations under this Agreement to an assignee that shall assume such obligations (which assignee may be another Lender, if a Lender accepts such assignment); *provided* that (i) the Borrower shall have received the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, 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 participations in LC Disbursements, 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 Borrower (in the case of all other amounts) and (iii) in the case of any such assignment resulting from a claim for compensation under Section 5.01 or payments required to be made pursuant to Section 5.03, 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 Borrower to require such assignment and delegation cease to apply.

Section 5.05 <u>Illegality</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in the event that it becomes unlawful for any Lender or its applicable lending office to honor its obligation to make or maintain Eurodollar Loans either generally or having a particular Interest Period hereunder, or any Governmental Authority has imposed material restrictions on the authority of such Lender to purchase or sell, or to take deposits of, dollars in the London interbank market, then (a) such Lender shall promptly notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent thereof and such Lender's obligation to make such Eurodollar Loans shall be suspended (the "<u>Affected Loans</u>") until such time as such Lender may again make and maintain such Eurodollar Loans and (b) all Affected Loans which would otherwise be made by such Lender shall be made instead as ABR Loans (and, if such Lender so requests by notice to the Borrower and the Administrative Agent, all Affected Loans of such Lender then outstanding shall be automatically converted into ABR Loans on the date specified by such Lender in such notice) and, to the extent that Affected Loans are so made as (or converted into) ABR Loans, all payments of principal which would otherwise be applied to such Lender's Affected Loans shall be applied instead to its ABR Loans.

Section 5.06 <u>Alternate Rate of Interest</u>. If the Administrative Agent has made the determination (such determination to be conclusive absent manifest error) that (a) any applicable interest rate specified herein is no longer a widely recognized benchmark rate for newly originated loans in the U.S. syndicated loan market in the applicable currency or (b) the applicable supervisor or administrator (if any) of any applicable interest rate specified herein or any Governmental Authority having, or purporting to have, jurisdiction over the Administrative Agent has made a public statement identifying a specific date after which any applicable interest rate specified herein shall no longer be used for determining interest rates for loans in the U.S. syndicated loan market in the applicable currency, then the Administrative Agent may, to the extent practicable (in consultation with, and approval by, the Borrower and as determined by the Administrative Agent to be generally in accordance with similar situations in other transactions in which it is serving as administrative agent or otherwise consistent with market practice generally), establish a replacement interest rate (the "<u>Replacement Rate</u>"), in which case, the Replacement Rate shall, subject to the next two sentences, replace such applicable interest rate for all purposes under the Loan Documents. In connection with the establishment and application of the Replacement Rate, this Agreement and the other Loan Documents shall be amended solely with the consent of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower as may be necessary or appropriate, in the opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower as may be necessary or appropriate, in the opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower, to effect the provisions of this Section 5.06. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement or the other Loan Documents (including Section 12.02(b)), such amendment shall become effective without any further action or consent of any other party to this Agreement

received, within five (5) Business Days of the delivery of such amendment to the Lenders, written notices from such Lenders that in the aggregate constitute Majority Lenders, with each such notice stating that such Lender objects to such amendment (which such notice shall note with specificity the particular provisions of the amendment to which such Lender objects). To the extent the Replacement Rate is approved by the Administrative Agent and the Borrower in connection with this Section 5.06, the Replacement Rate shall be applied in a manner consistent with market practice; provided that, in each case, to the extent such market practice is not administratively feasible for the Administrative Agent, such Replacement Rate shall be applied as otherwise reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent (it being understood that any such modification by the Administrative Agent shall not require the consent of, or consultation with, any of the Lenders).

#### ARTICLE VI Conditions Precedent

Section 6.01 <u>Effective Date</u>. The obligations of the Lenders to make Loans and of the Issuing Banks 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 Section 12.02):

(a) The Administrative Agent, the Arrangers and the Lenders shall have received all arrangement, upfront and agency fees and all other fees and amounts due and payable on or prior to the Effective Date, including, to the extent invoiced, reimbursement or payment of all out-of-pocket expenses required to be reimbursed or paid by the Borrower hereunder.

(b) The Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Parent or the General Partner (on behalf of itself and the Parent), the Borrower and each other Guarantor setting forth (i) resolutions of its board of directors or other appropriate governing body with respect to the authorization of the Parent, the Borrower or such other Guarantor to execute and deliver the Loan Documents to which it is a party and to enter into the transactions contemplated in those documents, (ii) the officers of the Parent or the General Partner (on behalf of the Parent), the Borrower, or such other Guarantor (A) who are authorized to sign the Loan Documents to which the Parent, the Borrower, or such other Guarantor is a party and (B) who will, until replaced by another officer or officers duly authorized for that purpose, act as its representative for the purposes of signing documents and giving notices and other communications in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby, (iii) specimen signatures of such authorized officers, and (iv) the partnership agreement, the limited liability company agreement, the articles or certificate of incorporation and by-laws or other applicable organizational documents of the General Partner, the Borrower, and such Guarantor, certificate until the Administrative Agent receives notice in writing from the Borrower and such Guarantor to the contrary.

(c) The Administrative Agent shall have received certificates of the appropriate State agencies with respect to the existence, qualification and good standing of the Parent, the General Partner, the Borrower, and each Guarantor.

(d) The Administrative Agent shall have received a compliance certificate which shall be substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit D</u>, duly and properly executed by a Financial Officer and dated as of the Effective Date.

(e) The Administrative Agent shall have received from each party hereto counterparts (in such number as may be requested by the Administrative Agent) of this Agreement signed on behalf of such party.

(f) To the extent requested by a Lender, the Administrative Agent shall have received duly executed Notes payable to each Lender in a principal amount equal to its Commitment dated as of the date hereof.

(g) The Administrative Agent shall have received from each party thereto duly executed counterparts (in such number as may be requested by the Administrative Agent) of the Security Instruments, including the Guaranty and Security Agreement, the mortgages, and the other Security Instruments described on Exhibit E. In connection with the execution and delivery of the Security Instruments, the Administrative Agent shall:

(i) be reasonably satisfied that the Security Instruments create first priority, perfected Liens on substantially all of the assets of the Borrower and the Guarantors; and

(ii) have received certificates, together with undated stock powers for such certificates, representing all of the issued and outstanding certificated Equity Interests held by the Borrower of each of the Restricted Subsidiaries (direct or indirect), if any, and all of the issued and outstanding certificated Equity Interests held by the Parent of the Borrower, if any.

(h) The Administrative Agent shall have received an opinion of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, counsel to the Credit Parties, in form and of substance acceptable to the Administrative Agent.

(i) The Administrative Agent shall have received a certificate of insurance coverage of the Credit Parties evidencing that the Credit Parties are carrying insurance in accordance with Section 7.12.

(j) The Administrative Agent shall have received satisfactory title information as the Administrative Agent may reasonably require with respect to the status of title to the Midstream Properties of the Credit Parties.

(k) The Administrative Agent shall be reasonably satisfied with the environmental condition of the Midstream Properties of the Credit Parties.

(1) The Administrative Agent shall have received the financial statements referred to in Section 7.04(a).

(m) The Administrative Agent shall have received appropriate UCC search certificates reflecting no prior Liens encumbering the Properties of the Parent, the Borrower and the other Restricted Subsidiaries, other than Liens permitted by Section 9.03.

(n) The Administrative Agent shall have reviewed and be satisfied with the Parent's and Restricted Subsidiaries' capital structure and financing plan, and shall have performed and be satisfied with such other due diligence regarding the Parent, the Restricted Subsidiaries and their Properties as the Administrative Agent may require.

(o) The Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall have received, and be reasonably satisfied in form and substance with, (i) all documentation and other information required by bank regulatory authorities under applicable "know-your-customer" rules and anti-money laundering laws and regulations, including but not restricted to the USA PATRIOT Act and (ii) to the extent the Borrower qualifies as a "legal entity customer" under the Beneficial Ownership Regulation, a Beneficial Ownership Certification.

(p) No material litigation, arbitration or similar proceeding shall be pending or threatened which calls into question the validity or enforceability of this Agreement, the other Loan Documents or the Transactions.

(q) The Parent IPO shall have been consummated in accordance with the Registration Statement and the certificate of formation and other organizational documents of the Parent, as they may be amended from time to time to the extent permitted hereunder, with the Parent receiving minimum proceeds from the public issuance of its Equity Interests in connection therewith in an aggregate amount at least equal to \$400,000,000, and the Administrative Agent shall have received certified copies of the Registration Statement and all amendments thereto.

(r) None of the Credit Parties shall have any Debt for borrowed money outstanding after giving effect to the Transactions (other than any Loans hereunder and, to the extent constituting Debt for borrowed money, Capital Leases).

(s) The Administrative Agent shall have received (i) a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Parent or the General Partner certifying as to a true, correct and complete list, as of the date of such certificate, of all "Buildings" (as defined by the applicable Flood Insurance Regulations) located on real property that is subject to Liens created by the Security Instruments, (ii) a life of loan flood hazard determination with respect to all such Buildings, or such other evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Lenders that such Buildings are not then located in a flood hazard area, (iii) if such real property is located in a special flood hazard area, evidence of flood insurance in such amounts as are acceptable to the Administrative Agent and required under applicable Flood Insurance Regulations, and (iv) such other certificates or notices reasonably required by the Administrative Agent to facilitate compliance with any applicable Flood Insurance Regulations, each in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (the items listed in the foregoing clauses (i) through (iv), collectively, the "Flood Deliverables").

(t) The Administrative Agent shall have received a closing certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower, dated as of the Effective Date, confirming on behalf of the Credit Parties that (i) the representations and warranties of the Parent, the Borrower, and the other Restricted Subsidiaries in this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents, as applicable, are true and correct, (ii) no Default or Event of Default then exists, (iii) since December 31, 2018, nothing has occurred which has had a Material Adverse Effect, and (iv) the Credit Parties have received all consents and approvals required by Section 7.03.

(u) After giving effect to any initial Borrowings made on the Effective Date, the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio shall not exceed 3.00 to 1.00.

(v) The Administrative Agent shall have received such other documents as the Administrative Agent or special counsel to the Administrative Agent may reasonably request.

Without limiting the generality of the provisions of Section 11.04, for purposes of determining compliance with the conditions specified in this Section 6.01, each Lender that has signed this Agreement shall be deemed to have consented to, approved or accepted or to be satisfied with, each document or other matter required under this Section 6.01 to be consented to or approved by or acceptable or reasonably satisfactory to a Lender unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from such Lender prior to the Effective Date specifying its objection thereto. All documents executed or submitted pursuant to this Section 6.01 by and on behalf of the Parent, the Borrower, or any other Restricted Subsidiary shall be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. The obligations of the Lenders to make Loans and of the Issuing Banks to issue Letters of Credit hereunder shall not become effective unless each of the foregoing conditions is satisfied (or waived pursuant to Section 12.02) at or prior to 2:00 p.m., Houston, Texas time, on August 12, 2019 (and, in the event such conditions are not so satisfied or waived, the Commitments shall terminate at such time). The Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrower and the Lenders of the Effective Date, and such notice shall be conclusive and binding.

Section 6.02 <u>Each Credit Event</u>. The obligation of each Lender to make a Loan on the occasion of any Borrowing (including the initial funding), and of the Issuing Banks to issue, amend, renew or extend any Letter of Credit, is subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions:

(a) 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.

(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 event, development or circumstance has occurred or shall then exist that has resulted in, or could reasonably be expected to have, a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) The representations and warranties of the Parent, the Borrower and the other Restricted Subsidiaries set forth in this Agreement and in the other Loan Documents shall be true and correct in all material respects (or, if already qualified by materiality, Material Adverse Effect or a similar qualification, true and correct in all respects) 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, except to the extent any such representations and warranties are expressly limited to an earlier date, in which case, on and as of the date of such Borrowing or extension of such Letter of Credit, as applicable, such representations and warranties shall continue to be true and correct as of such specified earlier date.

(d) The making of such Loan or the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of such Letter of Credit, as applicable, would not conflict with, or cause any Lender or the Issuing Bank to violate or exceed, any applicable Governmental Requirement, and no Change in Law shall have occurred, and no litigation shall be pending or threatened, which does or, with respect to any threatened litigation, seeks to, enjoin, prohibit or restrain, the making or repayment of any Loan, the issuance, amendment, renewal, extension or repayment of any Letter of Credit or any participations therein or the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or any other Loan Document.

(e) The receipt by the Administrative Agent of a Borrowing Request in accordance with Section 2.03 or a request for a Letter of Credit (or an amendment, extension or renewal of a Letter of Credit) in accordance with Section 2.07(b), as applicable.

Each request for a Borrowing and each request for the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit shall be deemed to constitute a representation and warranty by the Parent and the Borrower on the date thereof as to the matters specified in Section 6.02(a) through (c).

# ARTICLE VII

# **Representations and Warranties**

Each of the Parent and the Borrower represents and warrants to the Lenders that, after giving effect to the Effective Date:

Section 7.01 <u>Organization; Powers</u>. Each of the Parent, the Borrower, and each Restricted 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, and has all material governmental licenses, authorizations, consents and approvals necessary, to own its assets and to carry on its business as now conducted, and is qualified to do business in, and is in good standing in, every jurisdiction where such qualification is required, except where failure to have such power, authority, licenses, authorizations, consents, approvals and qualifications could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 7.02 <u>Authority; Enforceability</u>. The Transactions are within the Parent's, the Borrower's, and each other Guarantor's corporate, limited liability company, partnership, or other organizational powers and have been duly authorized by all necessary organizational action and, if required, action by any holders of their Equity Interests. Each Loan Document to which the Parent, the Borrower, and each other Guarantor is a party has been duly executed and delivered by such Person and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Parent, the Borrower, or such other Guarantor, as applicable, 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 7.03 <u>Approvals; No Conflicts</u>. The Transactions (a) except to the extent the approval or consent of the Department of the Interior, United States of America or similar Governmental Authority, as the case may be, is required by applicable law or regulation to the transfer or assignment of an interest in any of the Mortgaged Property, do not require any consent or approval of, registration or filing with, or any other action by, any Governmental Authority or any other third Person (including holders of Equity Interests or any class of directors, managers, or supervisors, as applicable, whether interested or disinterested, of the Parent, the Borrower or any other Person), nor is any such consent, approval, registration, filing or other action necessary for the validity or enforceability of any Loan Document or the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby, except such as have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect other than the recording and filing of the Security Instruments and financing statements as required by this Agreement, (b) will not violate any applicable law or regulation or the charter, by-laws, limited partnership agreement, limited liability company agreements or other organizational documents of the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary or any order of any Governmental Authority, (c) will not result in a default under any indenture, agreement or other instrument binding upon the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary or their respective Properties, or give rise to a right thereunder to require any payment to be made by the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary (other than the Liens created by the Loan Documents).

## Section 7.04 Financial Condition; No Material Adverse Change.

(a) The Parent has heretofore furnished to the Lenders its consolidated balance sheet and statements of income, stockholders equity and cash flows as set forth in the Registration Statement, including its audited consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations, owners' equity and cash flows as of the end of and for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018. Such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations and cash flows of the Parent and its Consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries as of such dates and for such periods in accordance with GAAP.

(b) Since December 31, 2018, there has been no event, development or circumstance that has had or could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) As of the date hereof, the Parent, the Borrower, and the Restricted Subsidiaries have no material Debt (including Disqualified Capital Stock) or any contingent liabilities, off-balance sheet liabilities or partnerships, liabilities for taxes, unusual forward or long-term commitments or unrealized or anticipated losses from any unfavorable commitments, except as referred to or reflected or provided for in the Financial Statements, and except those that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect on the Parent and the Restricted Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

Section 7.05 <u>Litigation</u>. There are no actions, suits, investigations or proceedings by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority, including the FERC or any equivalent state regulatory agency, pending against or, to the knowledge of the Parent or the Borrower, threatened against or affecting the Parent, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary (a) not fully covered by insurance (except for normal deductibles) as to which there is a reasonable possibility of an adverse determination that, if adversely determined, could reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to result in a Material Adverse Effect, or (b) that involve any Loan Document or the Transactions.

Section 7.06 <u>Environmental Matters</u>. Except for such matters that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect:

(a) the Parent and the Restricted Subsidiaries and each of their respective Properties and their operations thereon are, and within all applicable statute of limitation periods have been, in compliance with all applicable Environmental Laws;

(b) the Parent and the Restricted Subsidiaries have obtained all Environmental Permits required for their respective operations and each of their Properties, with all such Environmental Permits being currently in full force and effect, and neither the Parent nor any Restricted Subsidiary has received any written notice or otherwise has knowledge that any such existing Environmental Permit will be revoked or that any application for any new Environmental Permit or renewal of any existing Environmental Permit will be protested or denied;

(c) there are no claims, demands, suits, orders, inquiries, or proceedings concerning any violation of, or any liability (including as a potentially responsible party) under, any applicable Environmental Laws that is pending or, to the Parent's and the Borrower's knowledge, threatened against the Parent or any Restricted Subsidiary or any of their respective Properties or as a result of any operations at their Properties;

(d) none of the Properties of the Parent or any Restricted Subsidiary contain or have contained any: (i) underground storage tanks; (ii) asbestos-containing materials; (iii) landfills or dumps; (iv) hazardous waste management units as defined pursuant to RCRA or any comparable state law; or (v) sites on or nominated for the National Priority List promulgated pursuant to CERCLA or any state remedial priority list promulgated or published pursuant to any comparable state law;

(e) there has been no Release or, to the Parent's and the Borrower's knowledge, threatened Release, of Hazardous Materials at, on, under or from any of Parent's or the Restricted Subsidiaries' Properties, there are no investigations, remediations, abatements, removals, or monitorings of Hazardous Materials required under applicable Environmental Laws at such Properties and none of such Properties are adversely affected by any Release or, to the Parent's or Borrower's knowledge, threatened Release of a Hazardous Material originating or emanating from any other real property;

(f) neither the Parent nor any of the Restricted Subsidiaries have received any written notice asserting an alleged liability or obligation under any applicable Environmental Laws with respect to the investigation, remediation, abatement, removal, or monitoring of any Hazardous Materials at, under, or Released or threatened to be Released from any real properties offsite the Parent's or the Restricted Subsidiaries' Properties and, to the Parent's and the Borrower's knowledge, there are no conditions or circumstances that could reasonably be expected to result in the receipt of such written notice;

(g) there has been no exposure of any Person or property to any Hazardous Materials as a result of or in connection with the operations and businesses of any of the Parent's or the Restricted Subsidiaries' Properties that could reasonably be expected to form the basis for a claim for damages or compensation; and

(h) the Parent and the Borrower have made available to Lenders complete and correct copies of all environmental site assessment reports, investigations, studies, analyses, and correspondence on environmental matters (including matters relating to any alleged non-compliance with or liability under Environmental Laws) that are in any of the Parent's and the Borrower's or the Restricted Subsidiaries' possession or control and relating to their respective Properties or operations thereon.

## Section 7.07 Compliance with Laws and Agreements; No Defaults.

(a) Each of the Parent, the Borrower, and each of the Restricted Subsidiaries is in compliance with all Governmental Requirements applicable to it or its Property and all agreements and other instruments binding upon it or its Property, and possesses all licenses, permits, franchises, exemptions, approvals and other governmental authorizations necessary for the ownership of its Property and the conduct of its business, in each case except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) None of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary is in default nor has any event or circumstance occurred which, but for the expiration of any applicable grace period or the giving of notice, or both, would constitute a default or would require the Parent or any Restricted Subsidiaries to Redeem or make any offer to Redeem under any indenture, note, credit agreement or instrument pursuant to which any Material Indebtedness is outstanding or by which the Parent or any Restricted Subsidiaries or any of their Properties are bound.

(c) No Default has occurred and is continuing.

Section 7.08 <u>Investment Company Act</u>. None of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary is an "investment company" or a company "controlled" by an "investment company," within the meaning of, or subject to regulation under, the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

Section 7.09 <u>Taxes</u>. Each of the Parent, the Borrower, and the Restricted Subsidiaries 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 the Parent, the Borrower, or such Restricted Subsidiary, as applicable, has set aside on its books adequate reserves in accordance with GAAP or (b) to the extent that the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. The charges, accruals and reserves on the books of the Parent, the Borrower, and the Restricted Subsidiaries in respect of Taxes and other governmental charges are, in the reasonable opinion of the Parent and the Borrower, adequate. No Tax Lien has been filed and, to the knowledge of the Borrower, no claim is being asserted with respect to any such Tax or other such governmental charge.

## Section 7.10 ERISA.

(a) The Parent, the Borrower, each of the Restricted Subsidiaries, and each ERISA Affiliate have complied in all material respects with ERISA and, where applicable, the Code regarding each Plan.

(b) Each Plan is, and has been, established and maintained in substantial compliance with its terms, ERISA and, where applicable, the

Code.

(c) No act, omission or transaction has occurred which could reasonably be expected to result in imposition on the Parent, the Borrower, any Restricted Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate (whether directly or indirectly) of (i) either a civil penalty assessed pursuant to subsections (c), (i) or (l) of section 502 of ERISA or a tax imposed pursuant to Chapter 43 of Subtitle D of the Code or (ii) material breach of fiduciary duty liability damages under section 409 of ERISA.

(d) Full payment when due has been made of all amounts which the Borrower, any Restricted Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate is required under the terms of each Plan or applicable law to have paid as contributions to such Plan as of the date hereof.

(e) None of the Parent, the Borrower, any Restricted Subsidiary, nor any ERISA Affiliate sponsors, maintains, or contributes to an employee welfare benefit plan, as defined in section 3(1) of ERISA, including, without limitation, any such Plan maintained to provide benefits to former employees of such entities, that may not be terminated by the Parent, the Borrower, Restricted Subsidiary, or ERISA Affiliate, as applicable, in its sole discretion at any time without any material liability.

(f) None of the Parent, the Borrower, any Restricted Subsidiary, nor any ERISA Affiliate sponsors, maintains or contributes to, or has at any time in the six-year period preceding the date hereof sponsored, maintained or contributed to, any employee pension benefit plan, as defined in section 3(2) of ERISA, that is subject to Title IV of ERISA, section 302 of ERISA or section 412 of the Code.

Section 7.11 <u>Disclosure; No Material Misstatements</u>. The Parent, the Borrower, and each Restricted Subsidiary has disclosed to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders all agreements, instruments and corporate or other restrictions to which it or any of the Restricted Subsidiaries is subject, and all other matters known to it, that, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. None of the other reports, financial statements, certificates or other information furnished by or on behalf of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary to the Administrative Agent or any Lender or any of their Affiliates in connection with the negotiation of this Agreement or any other Loan Document or delivered hereunder or under any other Loan Document (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 Parent and the Borrower represent only that such information was prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time. There is no fact peculiar to the Borrower

or any Restricted Subsidiary which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect or in the future is reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect and which has not been set forth in this Agreement or the Loan Documents or the other documents, certificates and statements furnished to the Administrative Agent or the Lenders by or on behalf of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary prior to, or on, the date hereof in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby.

Section 7.12 Insurance. The Parent, the Borrower, and each Restricted Subsidiary has, and has caused all of their Restricted Subsidiaries to have, (a) all insurance policies sufficient for the compliance by each of them with all material Governmental Requirements and all material agreements and (b) insurance coverage in at least amounts and against such risk (including, without limitation, public liability) that are usually insured against by companies similarly situated and engaged in the same or a similar business for the assets and operations of the Parent, the Borrower, and each Restricted Subsidiary. The Administrative Agent and the Lenders have been named as additional insureds in respect of such liability insurance policies and the Administrative Agent has been named as lender loss payee with respect to Property loss insurance. No Credit Party owns any Building or material Manufactured (Mobile) Home (as defined in the applicable Flood Insurance Regulation), in either case subject to a mortgage lien of any Security Instrument, for which such Credit Party has not delivered to the Administrative Agent evidence or confirmation reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent that (i) such Credit Party maintains flood insurance for such Building or Manufactured (Mobile) Home that is acceptable to the Administrative Agent or (ii) such Building or Manufactured (Mobile) Home is not located in a special flood hazard area.

Section 7.13 <u>Restriction on Liens</u>. Except as permitted by Section 9.15, none of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary is a party to any material agreement or arrangement, or subject to any order, judgment, writ or decree, which either restricts or purports to restrict its ability to grant Liens to the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties on or in respect of their Properties to secure the Indebtedness and the Loan Documents.

Section 7.14 <u>Subsidiaries</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 7.14</u> or as disclosed in writing to the Administrative Agent (which shall promptly furnish a copy to the Lenders), which shall be a supplement to <u>Schedule 7.14</u>, the Parent has no Subsidiaries. <u>Schedule 7.14</u> (as updated with any written disclosures provided in writing to the Administrative Agent in accordance with and subject to the terms hereof, including, as applicable, Section 9.17) identifies each Subsidiary as either Restricted or Unrestricted, and each Restricted Subsidiary on such schedule is a Wholly-Owned Subsidiary.

Section 7.15 Location of Business and Offices. Each of the Parent's and the Borrower's jurisdiction of organization is the State of Delaware; the name of the Parent as listed in the public records of its jurisdiction of organization is "Rattler Midstream LP"; and the organizational identification number of the Parent in its jurisdiction of organization is 6912951; the name of the Borrower as listed in the public records of its jurisdiction of organization is 6912951; the name of the Borrower as listed in the public records of organization is 5577244 (or, in each case, as set forth in a notice delivered to the Administrative Agent pursuant to Section 8.01(l) in accordance with Section 12.01). The Parent's and the Borrower's principal place of business and chief executive offices are located at the address

specified in Section 12.01 (or as set forth in a notice delivered pursuant to Section 8.01(l) and Section 12.01(c)). Each Subsidiary's jurisdiction of organization, name as listed in the public records of its jurisdiction of organization, organizational identification number in its jurisdiction of organization, and the location of its principal place of business and chief executive office is stated on <u>Schedule 7.14</u> (or as set forth in a notice delivered pursuant to Section 8.01(l)).

#### Section 7.16 Properties; Titles, Etc.

(a) Except for Immaterial Title Deficiencies, the Parent, the Borrower and the Restricted Subsidiaries have good and defensible title to the Rights of Way (as defined below), the Deeds (as defined below), and/or other property interests in all of their material real and personal Property. All such Property is free and clear of all Liens except Liens permitted by Section 9.03.

(b) The Gathering Systems are covered by valid and subsisting recorded fee deeds, leases, easements, rights of way, servitudes, permits, licenses and other similar instruments and agreements (collectively, "<u>Rights of Way</u>") in favor of the Parent, the Borrower or any other applicable Restricted Subsidiary (or their predecessors in interest), except where the failure of the Gathering Systems to be so covered, individually or in the aggregate, (i) does not interfere with the ordinary conduct of business of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary, (ii) does not materially detract from the value or the use of the portion of the Gathering Systems that are not covered and (iii) could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) The Rights of Way establish continuous land rights for the Gathering Systems and grant the Parent, the Borrower or any applicable Restricted Subsidiary (or their predecessors in interest) the right to construct, operate and maintain the Gathering Systems in, over, under, or across the land covered thereby in the same way that a reasonably prudent owner and operator would construct, operate and maintain similar assets and, if applicable, in the same way as the Parent, the Borrower and any applicable Restricted Subsidiary have constructed, operated and maintained the Gathering Systems prior to the Effective Date; *provided, however*, (i) some of the Rights of Way granted to the Parent, the Borrower or such applicable grantor, (ii) some of the Rights of Way cross properties that are subject to liens in favor of third parties that have not been subordinated to the Rights of Way, and (iii) some Rights of Way are subject to certain defects, limitations and restrictions; *provided, further*, none of the limitations, defects, and restrictions described in clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, individually or in the aggregate, (A) materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of business of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary, (B) materially detract from the value or the use of the portion of the Gathering Systems that are covered or (C) could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(d) Each Processing Plant is or will be located on lands covered by fee deeds, real property leases, surface use agreements, or other instruments (collectively, "<u>Deeds</u>") in favor of the Parent, the Borrower, or any applicable Restricted Subsidiary (or their predecessors in interest) and their respective successors and assigns. The Deeds grant the Parent, the Borrower, or any applicable Restricted Subsidiary (or their predecessors in interest) and interest) the right to construct, operate, and maintain such Processing Plant on the land covered thereby in the same way that a reasonably prudent owner and operator would construct, operate and maintain similar assets.

(e) All Rights of Way and all Deeds necessary for the conduct of the business of the Parent, the Borrower, and the Restricted Subsidiaries are valid and subsisting, in full force and effect, and there exists no breach, default or event or circumstance that, with the giving of notice or the passage of time or both, would constitute a default under any such Rights of Way or Deeds that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(f) The rights and Properties presently owned, leased or licensed by the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary, including all Rights of Way and Deeds, include all rights and Properties necessary to permit the Borrower and the Restricted Subsidiaries to conduct their businesses in all material respects in the same manner as such businesses have been conducted prior to the date hereof.

(g) Neither the businesses nor the Properties of the Parent, the Borrower, or the Restricted Subsidiaries is affected in any manner that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect as a result of any fire, explosion, earthquake, flood, drought, windstorm, accident, strike or other labor disturbance, embargo, requisition or taking of Property or cancellation of contracts, permits or concessions by a Governmental Authority, riot, activities of armed forces or acts of God or of any public enemy.

(h) No eminent domain proceeding or taking has been commenced or, to the knowledge of the Parent, the Borrower, and/or the Restricted Subsidiaries, is contemplated with respect to all or any portion of the Midstream Properties, except for any such proceedings or takings which, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(i) No portion of the Midstream Properties has, as of the date of this Agreement, suffered any material damage by fire or other casualty loss except that which has heretofore been repaired or replaced or is in the process of being repaired or replaced, except for any such loss in respect of which the Parent, the Borrower, and the Restricted Subsidiaries are in compliance with their obligations to make the prepayments required on account of a casualty loss as and when required under Section 3.04(c).

(j) The Parent, the Borrower, or the Restricted Subsidiaries, as applicable, own, or are licensed to use, all trademarks, tradenames, copyrights, patents and other intellectual Property material to their business, and the use thereof by the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted 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.

Section 7.17 <u>Maintenance of Properties</u>. Except for such acts or failures to act as could not be reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, the offices, plants, gas processing plants, pipelines, improvements, fixtures, equipment, and other Property owned, leased or used by the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary in the conduct of its business are (a) being maintained in a state adequate to conduct normal operations, (b) in good operating condition, subject to ordinary wear and tear, and routine maintenance or repair, (c) sufficient for the operation of such business as currently conducted, and (d) in conformity with all Governmental Requirements relating thereto.

Section 7.18 <u>Material Contracts</u>. <u>Schedule 7.18</u> hereto contains a complete list, as of the Effective Date, of all Material Contracts, including all amendments thereto. All such Material Contracts are in full force and effect on the Effective Date. Neither the Parent, nor the Borrower nor any Restricted Subsidiary is in breach under any Material Contract in any way that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and to the knowledge of the Parent and the Borrower, no other Person that is party thereto is in breach under any Material Contract in any way that could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. None of the Material Contracts prohibit the transactions contemplated under the Loan Documents. Except as shown in <u>Schedule 7.18</u> hereto, each of the Material Contracts is currently in the name of, or has been assigned to the Parent, the Borrower, or a Restricted Subsidiary (with the consent or acceptance of each other party thereto if and to the extent that such consent or acceptance is required thereunder), and a security interest in each of the Material Contracts may be granted to the Administrative Agent. The Borrower has delivered to the Administrative Agent a complete and current copy of each Material Contract existing on the Effective Date.

Section 7.19 <u>Swap Agreements and Qualified ECP Guarantor</u>. <u>Schedule 7.19</u>, as of the date hereof, and after the date hereof, each report required to be delivered by the Parent and the Borrower pursuant to Section 8.01(f), sets forth, a true and complete list of all Swap Agreements of the Parent, the Borrower and each Restricted Subsidiary, the material terms thereof (including the type, term, effective date, termination date and notional amounts or volumes), the net mark to market value thereof, all credit support agreements relating thereto (including any margin required or supplied) and the counterparty to each such agreement. As of the Effective Date, the Parent and the Borrower will be Qualified ECP Guarantors.

Section 7.20 <u>Use of Loans and Letters of Credit</u>. The proceeds of the Loans and the Letters of Credit shall be used (a) to fund capital expenditures, (b) to finance working capital, (c) for general company purposes, (d) to pay fees and expenses related to the Loan Documents and (e) to make distributions permitted by Section 9.04. The Parent, the Borrower, and the Restricted Subsidiaries are not engaged principally, or as one of its or their important activities, in the business of extending credit for the purpose, whether immediate, incidental or ultimate, of buying or carrying margin stock (within the meaning of Regulation T, U or X of the Board). No part of the proceeds of any Loan or Letter of Credit will be used for any purpose which violates the provisions of Regulations T, U or X of the Board.

Section 7.21 <u>Solvency</u>. After giving effect to the transactions contemplated hereby (including any Borrowing or the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit from time to time), (a) the aggregate assets (after giving effect to amounts that could reasonably be received by reason of indemnity, offset, insurance or any similar arrangement), at a fair valuation, of the Parent, the Borrower, and the Restricted Subsidiaries, on a consolidated basis, will exceed the aggregate Debt of the Parent, the Borrower, and the Restricted Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, as the Debt becomes absolute and matures, (b) each of the Parent, the Borrower and the Guarantors will not have incurred or intended to incur, and will not believe that it will incur, Debt beyond its ability to pay such Debt (after taking into account the timing and amounts of cash to be received by each such Person and the amounts to be payable on or in respect of its liabilities, and giving effect to amounts that could reasonably be received by reason of indemnity, offset, insurance or any similar arrangement) as such Debt becomes absolute and matures and (c) each of the Parent, the Borrower, and the Guarantors will not have (and will have no reason to believe that it will have thereafter) unreasonably small capital for the conduct of its business.

Section 7.22 <u>Anti-Corruption Laws and Sanctions; USA PATRIOT Act</u>. Each of the Parent and the Borrower has implemented and maintains in effect such policies and procedures, if any, as it reasonably deems appropriate, in light of its business and international activities (if any), that are reasonably designed to ensure compliance by the Parent and its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents acting in their respective capacity as such with applicable Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions, and the Parent and its Subsidiaries and, to the knowledge of the Parent and the Borrower, their respective directors, officers, employees and agents, are in compliance with applicable Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions in all material respects. None of (a) the Parent and its Subsidiaries, or any of their respective directors, officers or employees, or (b) to the knowledge of the Parent and the Borrower, any agent of the Parent or any Subsidiary that will act in such 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 applicable Anti-Corruption Law or applicable Sanctions. The information and documentation provided is true, correct, and complete in order to identify the Parent, the Borrower, and each Restricted Subsidiary for purposes of Section 12.16.

Section 7.23 <u>FERC</u>. To the extent, if any, that any portion of the Gathering Systems is a common carrier pipeline transporting crude in interstate commerce subject to the jurisdiction of the FERC (an "<u>Interstate Pipeline</u>"):

(a) The Interstate Pipeline has rates on file with the FERC to perform interstate gathering of crude, and to the knowledge of the Parent and the Borrower, no provision of the tariff containing such rates is unduly discriminatory or preferential.

(b) Each Credit Party is in compliance, in all material respects, with all rules, regulations and orders of the FERC applicable to such Interstate Pipeline.

(c) As of the date of this Agreement, no Credit Party is liable for any material refunds or interest thereon as a result of an order from the FERC.

(d) Each applicable Credit Party's report, if any, on Form 6 filed with the FERC complies as to form with all applicable legal requirements and does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to make the statements therein not misleading.

(e) Without limiting the generality of Section 7.07(a) of this Agreement, as of the date of this Agreement and on each date the representation and warranty in this Section 7.23(e) is made, no additional material certificate, license, permit, consent, authorization or order is required by any Credit Party from the FERC to construct, own, operate and maintain any such Interstate Pipeline or to transport crude on such Interstate Pipeline under existing contracts and agreements.

Section 7.24 <u>State Regulation</u>. Each Credit Party is in compliance, in all material respects, with all rules, regulations and orders of all rules, regulations and orders of any State agency with jurisdiction to regulate its Midstream Properties, and as of the date of this Agreement, no Credit Party is liable for any refunds or interest thereon as a result of an order from any such State agency.

Section 7.25 <u>Title to Hydrocarbons</u>. No Credit Party has title to any of the Hydrocarbons which are transported and distributed through the Gathering Systems, except pursuant to agreements under which the relevant Credit Party does not have any exposure to commodity price volatility as a result of having title to such Hydrocarbons.

Section 7.26 <u>Flood Insurance Related Matters</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 7.26</u> as it may be supplemented from time to time by delivery of a written notice to the Administrative Agent, no Mortgage encumbers improved real property that contains Buildings or Manufactured (Mobile) Homes (as those terms are defined in applicable Flood Insurance Regulations). The Credit Parties have obtained flood insurance in accordance with Section 8.07 with respect to each Building constituting Mortgaged Property that is located in a special flood hazard area.

Section 7.27 <u>EEA Financial Institutions</u>. Neither the Parent, the Borrower, nor any of their respective Subsidiaries is an EEA Financial Institution.

Section 7.28 <u>Beneficial Ownership Certification</u>. As of the Effective Date, the information included in the Beneficial Ownership Certificate is true and correct in all respects.

# ARTICLE VIII Affirmative Covenants

Beginning on the Effective Date, until the Commitments have expired or been terminated and the principal of and interest on each Loan and all fees payable hereunder and all other amounts payable under the Loan Documents shall have been paid in full and all Letters of Credit shall have expired or terminated and all LC Disbursements shall have been reimbursed, each of the Parent and the Borrower covenants and agrees with the Lenders that:

Section 8.01 <u>Financial Statements; Other Information</u>. The Parent will furnish to the Administrative Agent and each Lender:

(a) <u>Annual Financial Statements</u>. As soon as available, but in any event in accordance with then applicable law and not later than 90 days after the end of each fiscal year of the Parent, commencing with the fiscal year ending December 31, 2019, its audited consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations, owners' equity and cash flows as of the end of and for such year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous fiscal year (if financial statements of the Parent exist for such previous fiscal year), all reported on by independent public accountants of recognized national standing (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 Parent and its Consolidated Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP consistently applied (it being understood that the filing with the SEC by the Parent of such annual financial statements of the Parent and its Consolidated Subsidiaries shall satisfy the requirements of this Section 8.01(a) to the extent such annual financial statements include the information specified herein).

(b) <u>Quarterly Financial Statements</u>. As soon as available, but in any event in accordance with then applicable law and not later than 45 days after the end of each of the first three fiscal quarters of each fiscal year of the Parent, its consolidated balance sheet and related statements of operations, owners' equity and cash flows as of the end of and for such fiscal quarter and the then elapsed portion of the fiscal year, setting forth in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding period or periods of (or, in the case of the balance sheet, as of the end of) the previous fiscal year (if financial statements of the Parent exist for such previous fiscal year), all certified by one of its Financial Officers as presenting fairly in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the Parent and its Consolidated Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP consistently applied, subject to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes (it being understood that the filing with the SEC by the Parent of such quarterly financial statements of the Parent and its Subsidiaries shall satisfy the requirements of this Section 8.01(b) to the extent such quarterly financial statements include the information specified herein).

(c) <u>Certificate of Financial Officer – Compliance</u>. Concurrently with any delivery of financial statements under Section 8.01(a) or Section 8.01(b), a certificate of a Financial Officer in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit D</u> hereto (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 demonstrating compliance with Section 9.01, and (iii) stating whether any change in GAAP or in the application thereof has occurred since the date of the audited financial statements referred to in Section 7.04 and, if any such change has occurred, specifying the effect of such change on the financial statements accompanying such certificate.

(d) <u>Annual Budget</u>. Within 120 days after January 1 of each year, an annual operating budget for the Parent and the Restricted Subsidiaries for such year, including the projected cash flow of the Borrower and the Restricted Subsidiaries and the assumptions used in calculating such projections, the projected Capital Expenditures to be incurred by the Parent and the Restricted Subsidiaries, and such other information as may be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent.

(e) <u>Certificate of Financial Officer – Reconciling Information</u>. At any time (i) all of the Consolidated Subsidiaries of the Parent are not Consolidated Restricted Subsidiaries, then concurrently with any delivery of financial statements under Section 8.01(a) or Section 8.01(b), a certificate of a Financial Officer setting forth consolidating spreadsheets that show all Consolidated Unrestricted Subsidiaries and the eliminating entries, in such form as would be presentable to the auditors of the Parent and (ii) the financial statements delivered pursuant to Section 8.01(a) or Section 8.01(b) are not prepared in accordance with Section 1.05 with respect to capital leases and operating leases, then concurrently with any such delivery of financial statements, a certificate of a Financial Officer setting forth and certifying as to internally prepared financial statements reflecting the accounting treatment of capital leases and operating leases pursuant to Section 1.05.

(f) <u>Certificate of Financial Officer – Swap Agreements</u>. If the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary has any existing Swap Agreements at such time, concurrently with any delivery of financial statements under Section 8.01(a) or Section 8.01(b), a certificate of a

Financial Officer, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, setting forth as of the last Business Day of such quarter, a true and complete list of all Swap Agreements of the Borrower and each Restricted Subsidiary, the material terms thereof (including the type, term, effective date, termination date and notional amounts or volumes), the net mark-to-market value therefor, any new credit support agreements relating thereto not listed on <u>Schedule 7.19</u>, any margin required or supplied under any credit support document, and the counterparty to each such agreement.

(g) <u>Certificate of Insurer – Insurance Coverage</u>. Concurrently with any delivery of financial statements under Section 8.01(a), a certificate of insurance coverage from each insurer with respect to the insurance required by Section 8.07, in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, and, if reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, all copies of the applicable policies.

(h) <u>Other Accounting Reports</u>. Promptly upon receipt thereof, a copy of each other report or letter submitted to the Parent, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary by independent accountants in connection with any annual, interim or special audit made by them of the books of the Parent, the Borrower or any such Restricted Subsidiary, and a copy of any response by the Parent, the Borrower or any such Restricted Subsidiary, or the board of directors or other appropriate governing body of the Parent, the Borrower or any such Restricted Subsidiary, to such letter or report.

(i) <u>SEC and Other Filings; Reports to Shareholders</u>. Promptly after the same become publicly available, copies of all periodic and other reports, proxy statements and other materials filed by the Parent, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary with the SEC, or with any national securities exchange, or distributed by the Parent to its common unitholders generally, as the case may be (it being understood that the filing with the SEC or any such securities exchange by the Parent of such reports, proxy statements, and other materials filed by the Parent, the Borrower, or a Restricted Subsidiary shall satisfy the requirements of this Section 8.01(i) to the extent such reports, proxy statements, and other materials include the information specified herein).

(j) <u>Notices Under Material Instruments</u>. Promptly after the furnishing thereof, copies of any financial statement, report or notice furnished to or by any Person pursuant to the terms of any preferred stock designation, indenture, loan or credit or other similar agreement, other than this Agreement and not otherwise required to be furnished to the Lenders pursuant to any other provision of this Section 8.01.

(k) <u>Notice of Material Insurance and Condemnation Events and Material Asset Dispositions</u>. Promptly after the occurrence of any Insurance and Condemnation Event or Asset Disposition, in either case involving Net Proceeds in an aggregate amount in excess of \$50,000,000, notice of such Insurance and Condemnation Event or Asset Disposition that reasonably describes such Insurance and Condemnation Event or Asset Disposition, as applicable.

(l) <u>Information Regarding Borrower and Guarantors</u>. Prompt written notice of (and in any event within thirty (30) days thereafter) any change (i) of the Borrower's or any Guarantor's corporate name or any trade name used to identify such Person in the conduct of its

business or in the ownership of its Properties, (ii) in the location of the Borrower's or any Guarantor's chief executive office or principal place of business, (iii) in the Borrower's or any Guarantor's identity or corporate structure or in the jurisdiction in which such Person is incorporated or formed, (iv) in the Borrower's or any Guarantor's jurisdiction of organization or such Person's organizational identification number in such jurisdiction of organization, and (v) in the Borrower's or any Guarantor's federal taxpayer identification number.

(m) <u>Notice of Certain Changes</u>. Promptly, but in no event within five (5) Business Days after the execution thereof, copies of any amendment, modification or supplement to the certificate or articles of incorporation, by-laws or any other organic document of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary.

(n) <u>Notice of Swap Agreement Modifications</u>. Prompt written notice of any amendment to or other modification of any Swap Agreement or the terms thereof since the delivery of the last certificate pursuant to Section 8.01(f) (including a summary of the terms of such amendment or modification and the net mark-to-market value therefor).

(o) <u>Other Requested Information</u>. Promptly following any request therefor, (i) such other information regarding the operations, business affairs and financial condition of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary (including, without limitation, any Plan and any reports or other information required to be filed with respect thereto under the Code or under ERISA), or compliance with the terms of this Agreement or any other Loan Document, as the Administrative Agent or any Lender may reasonably request or (ii) information and documentation reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent or any Lender for purposes of compliance with applicable "know your customer" requirements under the USA PATRIOT Act or other applicable anti-money laundering laws and the Beneficial Ownership Regulation.

(p) <u>Regulatory Notices</u>. Promptly, but in any event within five (5) Business Days after receipt thereof by any Credit Party, a copy of any form of notice, summons, citation, proceeding or order received from the FERC asserting jurisdiction over any material portion of the Gathering Systems.

(q) <u>Issuance of Senior Notes and Permitted Refinancing Debt</u>. In the event the Parent or the Borrower decides to issue Senior Notes or any Permitted Refinancing Debt as contemplated by Section 9.02(g), two (2) Business Days prior written notice of such offering therefor, the amount thereof and the anticipated date of closing and a copy of the preliminary offering memorandum (if any) and the final offering memorandum (if any) and any other material documents relating to such offering of Senior Notes or such Permitted Refinancing Debt and whether such issuance of Debt is intended to Redeem any Senior Notes.

Section 8.02 <u>Notices of Material Events</u>. The Borrower will furnish to the Administrative Agent and each Lender prompt written notice of the following:

(a) the occurrence of any Default;

(b) the filing or commencement of, or the threat in writing of, any action, suit, proceeding, investigation or arbitration by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority against or affecting the Parent, the Borrower, any Subsidiary or any Affiliate of the foregoing not

previously disclosed in writing to the Lenders or any material adverse development in any action, suit, proceeding, investigation or arbitration (whether or not previously disclosed to the Lenders) that, in either case, if adversely determined, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect;

- (c) [reserved];
- (d) any other development that results in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, a Material Adverse Effect; and

(e) any change in the information provided in any relevant Beneficial Ownership Certification delivered hereunder that would result in a change to the list of beneficial owners identified in parts (c) or (d) of such certification.

Each notice delivered under this Section 8.02 shall be accompanied by a statement of a Responsible Officer 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 8.03 <u>Existence; Conduct of Business</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will, and will cause each Restricted Subsidiary 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 and franchises material to the conduct of its business and maintain, if necessary, its qualification to do business in each other jurisdiction in which its Midstream Properties are located or the ownership of its Properties requires such qualification, except (other than with respect to preserving and keeping in full force and effect the legal existence of the Parent and the Borrower) where the failure to do or cause to be done such things, in each case, could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; *provided* that the foregoing shall not prohibit any merger, consolidation, liquidation or dissolution permitted under Section 9.10.

Section 8.04 <u>Payment of Obligations</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will, and will cause each Restricted Subsidiary to, pay its material obligations, including Tax liabilities of each such Person 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 Person has set aside on its books adequate reserves with respect thereto in accordance with GAAP and (c) the failure to make payment pending such contest could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect or result in the seizure or levy of any material Property of such Person.

Section 8.05 <u>Performance of Obligations Under Loan Documents</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will pay the Notes according to the reading, tenor and effect thereof, and the Parent and the Borrower will, and will cause each of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, do and perform every act and discharge all of the obligations to be performed and discharged by them under the Loan Documents, including, without limitation, this Agreement, at the time or times and in the manner specified.

Section 8.06 <u>Operation and Maintenance of Properties</u>. The Parent and the Borrower, at its own expense, will, and will cause each Restricted Subsidiary to:

(a) operate its Midstream Properties and other material Properties or cause such Midstream and other material Properties to be operated in a careful manner in accordance with the practices of the industry and in compliance with all applicable contracts and agreements and in compliance with all Governmental Requirements, including, without limitation, applicable proration requirements and Environmental Laws, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations of every other Governmental Authority, except, in each case, where the failure to comply could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) keep and maintain all Property material to the conduct of its business in good working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted, and preserve, maintain and keep in good repair, working order and efficiency (ordinary wear and tear excepted) all of its material Midstream Properties and other material Properties, including, without limitation, all equipment, machinery and facilities, except where failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) promptly perform or make reasonable and customary efforts to cause to be performed, in accordance with industry standards, the obligations required by each and all of the assignments, deeds, leases, sub-leases, contracts and agreements affecting its interests in its Midstream Properties and other material Properties, except, in each case, where failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(d) maintain or cause the maintenance of the interests and rights (i) which are reasonably necessary to maintain the Rights of Way for the Gathering Systems and to maintain the other Midstream Properties, and (ii) which individually or in the aggregate, could, if not maintained, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(e) subject to Excepted Liens, maintain the Gathering Systems within the confines of the Rights of Way without material encroachment upon any adjoining property and maintain the Processing Plants within the boundaries of the Deeds and without material encroachment upon any adjoining property.

(f) maintain existing rights of ingress and egress reasonably necessary to permit the Credit Parties to inspect, operate, repair, and maintain the Gathering Systems and the other Midstream Properties to the extent that failure to maintain such rights, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; *provided* that the Credit Parties may hire third parties to perform these functions.

(g) maintain all material agreements, licenses, permits, and other rights required for any of the foregoing described in this Section 8.06 in full force and effect in accordance with their terms, timely make any payments due thereunder, and prevent any default thereunder which could result in a termination or loss thereof, except any such failure to pay or default that could not reasonably, individually or in the aggregate, be expected to cause a Material Adverse Effect.

(h) to the extent the Parent, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary is not the operator of any Property, the Borrower shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the operator to comply with this Section 8.06, but failure of the operator so to comply will not constitute a Default or an Event of Default hereunder.

Section 8.07 <u>Insurance</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will, and will cause each of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, maintain, with financially sound and reputable insurance companies, insurance in such amounts and against such risks as are customarily maintained by companies engaged in the same or similar businesses operating in the same or similar locations. The loss payable clauses or provisions in said insurance policy or policies insuring any of the collateral for the Loans shall be endorsed in favor of and made payable to the Administrative Agent as its interests may appear and such policies shall name the Administrative Agent and the Lenders as "additional insureds" or "lender loss payees" and provide that the insurer will endeavor to give at least thirty (30) days prior notice of any cancellation to the Administrative Agent. With respect to each portion of the real Property (other than any portion of the Gathering System) owned by the Parent, the Borrower, or any other Credit Party on which any Building is located, the Parent and the Borrower will, and will cause each other Credit Party to, (a) obtain flood insurance in such total amount as the applicable Flood Insurance Regulations may require, if at any time such "Building" is located on any such real Property in a special flood hazard area such that flood insurance is required under the applicable Flood Insurance Regulations, and (b) otherwise comply with all Flood Insurance Regulations applicable to any such real Property.

Section 8.08 <u>Books and Records; Inspection Rights</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will, and will cause each of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, keep proper books of record and account in which full, true and correct entries are made of all dealings and transactions in relation to its business and activities. The Parent and the Borrower will, and will cause each of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, permit any representatives designated by the Administrative Agent or any Lender, 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 independent accountants, all at such reasonable times and as often as reasonably requested.

Section 8.09 <u>Compliance with Laws</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will, and will cause each of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, comply with all laws, rules, regulations and orders of any Governmental Authority applicable to them or their Property, including all Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. The Borrower will maintain in effect and enforce such policies and procedures, if any, as it reasonably deems appropriate, in light of its businesses and international activities (if any), that are reasonably designed to ensure compliance by the Borrower, its Subsidiaries and each of their respective directors, officers, employees and agents acting in their respective capacity as such with applicable Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions.

## Section 8.10 Environmental Matters.

(a) The Parent and the Borrower each shall at its sole expense: (i) comply, and shall cause its Properties and operations and each Subsidiary and each Restricted Subsidiary's Properties and operations to comply, with all applicable Environmental Laws, the breach of which could be reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; (ii) not dispose of or otherwise release, and shall cause each Subsidiary not to dispose of or otherwise release, any oil, oil and gas

waste, hazardous substance, or solid waste on, under, about or from any of the Borrower's or its Restricted Subsidiaries' Properties or any other Property to the extent caused by the Borrower's or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries' operations except in compliance with applicable Environmental Laws, the disposal or release of which could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; (iii) timely obtain or file, and shall cause each Restricted Subsidiary to timely obtain or file, all notices, permits, licenses, exemptions, approvals, registrations or other authorizations, if any, required under applicable Environmental Laws to be obtained or filed in connection with the operation or use of the Borrower's or the Restricted Subsidiaries' Properties, which failure to obtain or file could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; (iv) promptly commence and diligently prosecute to completion, and shall cause each Subsidiary to promptly commence and diligently prosecute to completion, any assessment, evaluation, investigation, monitoring, containment, cleanup, removal, repair, restoration, remediation or other remedial obligations (collectively, the "<u>Remedial</u> <u>Work</u>") in the event any Remedial Work is required or reasonably necessary under applicable Environmental Laws and industry practice because of or in connection with the actual or suspected past, present or future disposal or other release of any oil, oil and gas waste, hazardous substance or solid waste on, under, about or from any of the Borrower's or the Restricted Subsidiaries' Properties, which failure to commence and diligently prosecute to completion could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; and (v) establish and implement, and shall cause each Restricted Subsidiary to establish and implement, such policies of environmental audit and compliance as may be necessary to determine and assure that the Borrower's and the Restricted Subsidiaries' obligations under this Section 8.10(a) are timely and fully satis

(b) The Parent and the Borrower will promptly, but in no event later than five days after becoming aware thereof, notify the Administrative Agent and the Lenders in writing of any threatened action, investigation or inquiry by any Governmental Authority or any threatened demand or lawsuit by any Person against the Parent, the Borrower, or the Restricted Subsidiaries or their Properties of which the Parent or the Borrower has knowledge in connection with any Environmental Laws (excluding routine testing and corrective action) if the Parent or the Borrower reasonably anticipates that such action will result in liability (whether individually or in the aggregate) in excess of \$50,000,000 not fully covered by insurance, subject to normal deductibles.

(c) In connection with any acquisition by any Credit Party of any Midstream Property, other than an acquisition of additional interests in Midstream Properties in which the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary previously held an interest, to the extent the Parent or such Restricted Subsidiary obtains or is provided with same, the Parent and the Borrower will, and will cause each other Restricted Subsidiary to, promptly following the Parent's or such Restricted Subsidiary's obtaining or being provided with the same, deliver to the Administrative Agent such final and non-privileged material environmental reports of such Midstream Properties as are reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent.

#### Section 8.11 Further Assurances.

(a) The Parent and the Borrower at their sole expense will, and will cause each Restricted Subsidiary to, promptly execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent all such other documents, agreements and instruments reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent to

comply with, cure any defects or accomplish the conditions precedent, covenants and agreements of the Parent, the Borrower or any of the Restricted Subsidiaries, as the case may be, in the Loan Documents, including the Notes, or to further evidence and more fully describe the Collateral intended as security for the Indebtedness, or to correct any omissions in this Agreement or the Security Instruments, or to state more fully the obligations secured therein, or to perfect, protect or preserve any Liens created pursuant to this Agreement or any of the Security Instruments or the priority thereof, or to make any recordings, file any notices or obtain any consents, all as may be reasonably necessary or appropriate, in the reasonable discretion of the Administrative Agent, in connection therewith.

(b) Each of the Parent and the Borrower hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to file one or more financing or continuation statements, and amendments thereto, relative to all or any part of the Collateral without the signature of the Parent, the Borrower or any other Guarantor where permitted by law. A carbon, photographic or other reproduction of the Security Instruments or any financing statement covering the Collateral or any part thereof shall be sufficient as a financing statement where permitted by law. Each of the Parent and the Borrower, and, by executing any Security Instrument, each other Credit Party, acknowledges and agrees that any such financing statement may describe the Collateral as "all assets" of the applicable Credit Party or words of similar effect as may be required by the Administrative Agent.

Section 8.12 <u>Compliance with Agreements</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will, and will cause each other Restricted Subsidiary to, comply with all agreements, contracts and instruments binding on it or affecting their Properties or business, including the Material Contracts, except to the extent that such noncompliance could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

### Section 8.13 <u>Title Information; Flood Deliverables</u>.

(a) If the Parent, the Borrower, or any other Credit Party acquires any material (as reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent) Midstream Properties, the Borrower shall, or shall cause such other Credit Party to, concurrently with its delivery of additional Security Instruments pursuant to Section 8.14(a), provide to the Administrative Agent, with respect to such Midstream Properties, reasonable title information such that the Administrative Agent shall have such title information for the Midstream Properties of the Borrower and the other Credit Parties that is satisfactory to it in all material respects in its reasonable exercise of its credit judgment as a senior secured lender, in each case, subject to Immaterial Title Deficiencies (such title information, collectively, "<u>Midstream Property Title Information</u>"). The Borrower shall, within thirty (30) days of notice from the Administrative Agent (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion) objecting to title defects or exceptions that are not Excepted Liens and that exist with respect to such additional Midstream Properties, or asserting that title information is missing, in each case, other than with respect to any Immaterial Title Deficiencies, either (i) cure any such title defects or exceptions (including defects or exceptions as to priority) that are not permitted by Section 9.03 raised by such information, or (ii) deliver additional title information to the Administrative Agent so that the Administrative Agent shall have received, together with title information previously delivered to the Administrative Agent, Midstream Property Title Information on the Midstream Properties of the Parent, the Borrower, and the other Credit Parties. For the avoidance of doubt, the Credit Parties shall have no obligation to cure any title defects or exceptions that constitute Immaterial Title Deficiencies or that are Excepted Liens or otherwise permitted under Section 9.03.

(b) The Parent or the Borrower shall, or shall cause such other Credit Party to, in connection with, but reasonably prior to and in accordance with the following sentence, its delivery of additional Security Instruments pursuant to Section 8.14(a), provide to the Administrative Agent the applicable Flood Deliverables with respect to any real property that will be subject to such additional Security Instruments. To the extent any such real property to be mortgaged is subject to the provisions of the Flood Insurance Regulations, upon the earlier of (i) ten (10) Business Days from the date the Flood Deliverables are provided to the Lenders and (ii) receipt of notice from each Lender that such Lender has completed all necessary diligence with respect to compliance with the Flood Insurance Regulations, the Administrative Agent may permit execution and delivery of the applicable Mortgage in favor of the Administrative Agent.

#### Section 8.14 Additional Collateral; Additional Guarantors.

(a) (i) Within sixty (60) days (or such longer period as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion) after (A) the consummation by any Credit Party of a Material Acquisition and (B) each semi-annual period ending on June 30 or December 31, beginning with the period beginning on the date hereof and ending on June 30, 2019, and (ii) the closing date of any Permitted Acquisition, the Borrower shall cause the Credit Parties to provide to the Administrative Agent, without duplication, copies of all recorded Deeds and Rights of Way with respect to its Midstream Properties or other real properties that have been received or otherwise acquired by any Credit Party as a result of such Material Acquisition or Permitted Acquisition or during such period, as applicable, and, subject to the limitations in Section 8.14(d), to execute and deliver mortgages or other applicable Security Instruments on such Midstream Properties, other real properties, Deeds and Rights of Way in favor of the Administrative Agent, in each case in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent. In connection with the foregoing, to the extent reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent, for owned real property assets having an individual fair market value or purchase price, as applicable, in excess of \$25,000,000, subject to the limitations in Section 8.14(d), the Borrower shall deliver, or shall cause to be delivered, (x) title and extended coverage insurance covering such real property subject to the additional Security Instruments in an amount equal to the purchase price of such interest in real property (or such other lesser amount as shall be reasonably specified by the Administrative Agent), as well as a current ALTA survey thereof, together with a surveyor's certificate, (y) any consents or estoppels reasonably deemed necessary or advisable by the Administrative Agent in connection with such Security Instruments, but only to the extent obtainable by the Borrower through the use of commercially reasonable efforts and without the payment of any fee, charge or other costs (other than de minimis fees, charges or other costs paid to the third-party providers of such consents or estoppels) by the Borrower in connection therewith, each of the foregoing in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, and (z) legal opinions, which opinions shall be in form and substance, and from counsel, reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

(b) The Parent and the Borrower shall (i) cause each Restricted Subsidiary that is not a party to the Guaranty and Security Agreement to, promptly, but in any event no later than thirty (30) days after the formation or acquisition (or similar event) of such Restricted Subsidiary,

execute and deliver a supplement to the Guaranty and Security Agreement, (ii) pledge, or cause the applicable Restricted Subsidiary or Restricted Subsidiaries to pledge, all of the Equity Interests of such new Restricted Subsidiary (including, without limitation, delivery of any stock certificates evidencing the Equity Interests of such Restricted Subsidiary, together with an appropriate undated stock power for each certificate duly executed in blank by the registered owner thereof, if applicable) and (iii) execute and deliver, and cause each Restricted Subsidiary to execute and deliver, such other additional closing documents, certificates and legal opinions as shall reasonably be requested by the Administrative Agent.

(c) Subject to Section 8.18, the Parent and the Borrower will in connection with any deposit account, commodities account, or any securities account (other than an Excluded Account for so long as it is an Excluded Account) established, held or maintained by a Credit Party after the Effective Date, cause such deposit account, commodities account, or securities account (in each case, other than an Excluded Account for so long as it is an Excluded Account) to be subject to a Control Agreement within thirty (30) days of the establishment thereof or longer if the Administrative Agent approves in its sole discretion and at all times thereafter. Notwithstanding the foregoing, for each deposit or securities account that becomes a deposit or securities account of a Restricted Subsidiary as a result of a Permitted Acquisition (in each case, other than Excluded Accounts), the Parent Guarantor will, by no later than sixty (60) days after the date of such Permitted Acquisition or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion, either (a) cause such account to be subject to a Control Agreement, or (b) close such account and transfer any funds therein to an account that otherwise meets the requirements of this Section 8.14.

(d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in any other Loan Document, (i) as of the Effective Date, no Building (as defined in the applicable Flood Insurance Regulations), Manufactured (Mobile) Home (as defined in the applicable Flood Insurance Regulations), or the land situated under any such Building or Manufactured (Mobile) Home that is owned by any Credit Party is included in the Collateral and no Building or Manufactured (Mobile) Home that is owned by any Credit Party is included in the Collateral and no Building or Manufactured (Mobile) Home shall be encumbered by any Security Instrument, other than, in each case, the Headquarters Building and (ii) other than the Headquarters Building or Manufactured (Mobile) Home, unless and until the aggregate fair market value of all such unmortgaged Buildings, Manufactured (Mobile) Homes, and the unmortgaged land situated under such Buildings and Manufactured (Mobile) Homes exceeds \$25,000,000 (in which case the Credit Parties shall promptly cause the aggregate fair market value of such unmortgaged Buildings, Manufactured (Mobile) Homes, and Flood Deliverables in accordance with Section 8.13(b)); *provided*, that the Borrower shall not, and shall not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, permit to exist any Lien on any unmortgaged Building, Manufactured (Mobile) Home or the unmortgaged land situated underneath any such unmortgaged Building or Manufactured (Mobile) Home except the Excepted Liens and any other Liens permitted under Section 9.03 hereof (other than Section 9.03(d)).

Section 8.15 <u>ERISA Compliance</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will promptly furnish and will cause Restricted Subsidiaries and any ERISA Affiliate to promptly furnish to the

Administrative Agent (a) promptly after the filing thereof with the United States Secretary of Labor or the Internal Revenue Service, copies of each annual and other report with respect to each Plan or any trust created thereunder, and (b) immediately upon becoming aware of the occurrence of any "prohibited transaction," as described in section 406 of ERISA or in Section 4975 of the Code, in connection with any Plan or any trust created thereunder, a written notice signed by the President or the principal Financial Officer, the Parent, the Borrower, the Restricted Subsidiary or the ERISA Affiliate, as the case may be, specifying the nature thereof, what action such Person is taking or proposes to take with respect thereto, and, when known, any action taken or proposed by the Internal Revenue Service or the Department of Labor with respect thereto.

## Section 8.16 <u>Unrestricted Subsidiaries</u>. The Parent and the Borrower:

(a) will cause the management, business and affairs of each of the Parent, the Borrower and the Restricted Subsidiaries to be conducted in such a manner (including, without limitation, by keeping separate books of account, furnishing separate financial statements of Unrestricted Subsidiaries to creditors and potential creditors thereof and by not permitting Properties of the Parent, the Borrower and the other Restricted Subsidiaries to be commingled) so that each Unrestricted Subsidiary that is a corporation or limited liability company will be treated as an entity separate and distinct from the Parent and the Restricted Subsidiaries.

(b) will not, and will not permit any of the other Restricted Subsidiaries to, incur, assume, guarantee or be or become liable for any Debt of any of the Unrestricted Subsidiaries, other than non-recourse pledges of Equity Interests in Unrestricted Subsidiaries granted to secure Debt of Unrestricted Subsidiaries.

(c) will not permit any Unrestricted Subsidiary to hold any Equity Interest in, or any Debt of, the Parent, the Borrower, or any other Restricted Subsidiary.

Section 8.17 <u>Commodity Exchange Act Keepwell Provisions</u>. Each of the Parent and the Borrower, to the extent that it is a Qualified ECP Guarantor, hereby guarantees the payment and performance of all Indebtedness of each Credit Party (other than itself) and absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably undertakes to provide such funds or other support as may be needed from time to time by each Credit Party (other than itself) in order for such Credit Party to honor its obligations under the Guaranty and Security Agreement including obligations with respect to Swap Agreements (*provided, however*, that the Parent and the Borrower, to the extent each is a Qualified ECP Guarantor, shall only be liable under this Section 8.17 for the maximum amount of such liability that can be hereby incurred (a) without rendering its obligations under this Section 8.17, or otherwise under this Agreement or any Loan Document, as it relates to such other Credit Party liable for amounts to creditors, other than the Secured Parties, that such Credit Party would not otherwise have made available to such creditors if this Section 8.17 was not in effect). The obligations of the Parent and the Borrower, to the extent each is a Qualified ECP Guarantor, under this Section 8.17 shall remain in full force and effect until all Indebtedness is paid in full to the Lenders, the Administrative Agent and all other Secured Parties, and all of the Lenders' Commitments are terminated. Each of the Parent and the Borrower that is a Qualified ECP Guarantor intends that this Section 8.17 constitute, and this Section 8.17 shall be deemed to constitute, a "keepwell, support, or other agreement" for the benefit of each other Credit Party for all purposes of Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

Section 8.18 <u>Post-Closing Delivery of Control Agreements</u>. Notwithstanding the requirements set forth in Section 8.14(c), with respect each deposit account, commodities account, and securities account of the Credit Parties in existence on the Effective Date (other than, in each case, Excluded Accounts), the Parent, the Borrower and each Restricted Subsidiary shall, no later than the sixtieth (60th) calendar day after the Effective Date (or such later date as the Administrative Agent may agree in its sole discretion), deliver to the Administrative Agent duly executed Control Agreements in accordance with and to the extent required by the Guaranty and Security Agreement or close such account and transfer any funds therein to an account that otherwise meets the requirements of this Section 8.18.

Section 8.19 <u>Further Provisions Relating to Control Agreements</u>. Each Control Agreement that is a deposit account control agreement will provide that the depositary bank will comply with instructions originated by the Administrative Agent directing dispositions of funds in the deposit account without further consent by the applicable Credit Party. Each Control Agreement that is a securities account control agreement will provide that the securities intermediary will comply with entitlement orders originated by the Administrative Agent without further consent by the applicable Credit Party. The Administrative Agent agrees that it shall not issue any such instructions or entitlement orders or otherwise exercise any control right granted under any such Control Agreement unless (a) an Event of Default of the type set forth in Sections 10.01(a), (b), (f), (g), (h), (i), or (j) has occurred or (b) the Notes and the Loans then outstanding have become due and payable in whole (and not merely in part), whether at the due date thereof, by acceleration or otherwise.

# ARTICLE IX Negative Covenants

Beginning on the Effective Date and until the Commitments have expired or terminated and the principal of and interest on each Loan and all fees payable hereunder and all other amounts payable under the Loan Documents have been paid in full and all Letters of Credit have expired or terminated and all LC Disbursements shall have been reimbursed, the Parent and the Borrower each covenant and agree with the Lenders that:

Section 9.01 Financial Covenants.

(a) <u>Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio</u>.

(i) Prior to the time that the Financial Covenant Election is made, the Parent and the Borrower will not permit, as of the last day of any fiscal quarter, commencing with the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2019, the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio to be greater than:

- (A) for the last day of any fiscal quarter during an Acquisition Period, 5.50 to 1.00; or
- (B) for the last day of any other fiscal quarter, 5.00 to 1.00.

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(ii) Commencing with the last day of the fiscal quarter, if any, in which the Financial Covenant Election is made (but in no event prior to September 30, 2019), the Parent and the Borrower will not permit, as of the last day of any fiscal quarter, the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio to be greater than 5.25 to 1.00.

(b) <u>Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio</u>. Commencing with the last day of the fiscal quarter, if any, in which the Financial Covenant Election is made (but in no event prior to September 30, 2019), the Parent and the Borrower will not permit, as of the last day of any fiscal quarter, the Consolidated Senior Secured Leverage Ratio to be greater than 3.50 to 1.00.

(c) <u>Interest Coverage Ratio</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not permit as of the last day of any fiscal quarter, commencing with the fiscal quarter ending September 30, 2019, the Consolidated Interest Coverage Ratio to be less than 2.50 to 1.00.

Section 9.02 <u>Debt</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, incur, create, assume or suffer to exist any Debt, except:

(a) the Notes or other Indebtedness arising under the Loan Documents or any guaranty of or suretyship arrangement for the Notes or other Indebtedness arising under the Loan Documents.

(b) (i) Debt of the Borrower and its Restricted Subsidiaries existing on the date hereof that is reflected in the Financial Statements and any Permitted Refinancing Debt in respect thereof and (ii) Debt of any Permitted Acquisition Target outstanding at the time of such Permitted Acquisition and any Permitted Refinancing Debt in respect thereof, if, in the case of this clause (ii), (A) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is then continuing, (B) no Default or Event of Default would result from the incurrence of such Debt after giving effect on a pro forma basis to the incurrence of such Debt (and any concurrent repayment of Debt with the proceeds of such incurrence, if any), (C) the Parent and the Borrower are in pro forma compliance with the financial covenants contained in Section 9.01 after giving effect to the incurrence of such Debt, and (D) such Debt was not incurred by such Permitted Acquisition Target in connection with such Permitted Acquisition.

(c) Debt under Capital Leases and purchase money financings in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$25,000,000 at any one time outstanding.

(d) Debt associated with bonds or surety obligations required by Governmental Requirements in connection with the operation of the Midstream Properties.

(e) intercompany Debt between the Borrower and any Guarantor or between Guarantors to the extent permitted by Section 9.05(f); *provided* that (i) such Debt is not held, assigned, transferred, negotiated or pledged to any Person other than the Borrower or a Guarantor and (ii) any such Debt shall be subordinated to the Indebtedness on terms set forth in the Guaranty and Security Agreement.

(f) endorsements of negotiable instruments for collection in the ordinary course of business.

(g) unsecured Senior Notes of the Parent or the Borrower and any guarantees thereof and any unsecured Permitted Refinancing Debt and any guarantees thereof; *provided* that (i) at the time of incurring such Senior Notes or Permitted Refinancing Debt, (A) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is then continuing and (B) no Default or Event of Default would result from the incurrence of such Senior Notes or Permitted Refinancing Debt, as applicable, after giving effect on a pro forma basis to the incurrence of such Senior Notes or Permitted Refinancing Debt (and any concurrent repayment of Debt with the proceeds of such incurrence, if any), (ii) the Parent and the Borrower are in pro forma compliance with the financial covenants contained in Section 9.01 after giving effect to the issuance of such Senior Notes, (iii) such Senior Notes or Permitted Refinancing Debt, as applicable, does not have any scheduled principal amortization prior to the date that is one hundred eighty (180) days after the Maturity Date, (iv) such Senior Notes or Permitted Refinancing Debt does not mature sooner than the date that is one hundred eighty (180) days after the Maturity Date, and (v) such Senior Notes or Permitted Refinancing Debt does not have any mandatory prepayment or redemption provisions (other than customary change of control and asset sale tender offer provisions) that would require a mandatory prepayment or redemption in priority to the Indebtedness.

- (h) Debt consisting of the financing of insurance premiums incurred in the ordinary course of business.
- (i) Debt permitted by Section 8.16(b).
- (j) other Debt not to exceed \$100,000,000 in the aggregate at any one time outstanding.

Section 9.03 <u>Liens</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, create, incur, assume or permit to exist any Lien on any of their Properties (now owned or hereafter acquired), except:(a) (i) Liens securing the payment of any Indebtedness and (ii) Liens on cash or deposits granted in favor of the Issuing Bank to Cash Collateralize any Defaulting Lender's participation in Letters of Credit.

(b) Excepted Liens.

(c) Liens securing Debt permitted by Section 9.02(c) but only on the Property under lease or acquired with the proceeds of such Debt, and all improvements, repairs, additions, attachments and accessions thereto, parts, replacements and substitutions therefor, and products and proceeds thereof.

(d) other Liens securing obligations that in the aggregate do not exceed \$20,000,000.

(e) Liens arising under an indenture in favor of the trustee thereunder for its own benefit and not for the benefit of the holders of Debt under such indenture.

(f) Liens on cash, cash equivalents and other property arising in connection with the defeasance, discharge or redemption of Debt.

(g) Liens on insurance policies and the proceeds thereof securing the financing of the premiums with respect thereto.

(h) Liens on Equity Interests in Unrestricted Subsidiaries.

(i) Liens on assets of any Permitted Acquisition Target at the time of such Permitted Acquisition; *provided* that (i) such Liens were not incurred in connection with or contemplation of such Permitted Acquisition, (ii) the Liens do not apply to any other property or assets of the Parent, the Borrower, or any other Restricted Subsidiary other than improvements, additions, repairs, attachments and accessions thereto, construction thereon, assets and property affixed or appurtenant thereto, parts, replacements and substitutions therefor and products and proceeds thereof, (iii) the Debt secured thereby does not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the aggregate book value of such assets of the Permitted Acquisition Target at the time of such Permitted Acquisition, and (iv) the aggregate amount of Debt secured thereby does not exceed \$20,000,000.

Section 9.04 Dividends, Distributions and Redemptions; Repayment of Senior Notes and Amendment to Terms of Senior Notes.

(a) <u>Restricted Payments</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, declare or make, directly or indirectly, any Restricted Payment, return any capital to its holders of Equity Interests or make any distribution of its Property to its Equity Interest holders without the prior approval of the Majority Lenders, except that:

(i) the Borrower may declare and make distributions to Diamondback and its wholly owned Subsidiaries that are holders of Equity Interests in the Borrower on the Effective Date, or within thirty-five (35) days thereafter, in an amount not to exceed the amount of equity proceeds contributed to the Borrower from the Parent from the net proceeds of the Parent IPO;

(ii) the Parent may declare and make cash distributions to the holders of Class B Equity Interests in the Parent in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$20,000 in any calendar quarter;

(iii) the Parent may declare and make cash distributions to the General Partner in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$20,000 in any calendar quarter;

(iv) the Parent and the Borrower may declare and pay dividends and distributions to their equity holders, if and to the extent that (A) such dividend or distribution is paid within sixty-five (65) days after the date of declaration thereof, (B) as of the date of such declaration, no Default or Event of Default existed, and (C) as of the date of such declaration, if such dividend or distribution had been paid as of such date of declaration, no Default or Event of Default would have existed;

(v) the Parent and the Restricted Subsidiaries may declare and pay dividends or distributions with respect to their Equity Interests payable solely in additional Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Capital Stock);

(vi) any Restricted Subsidiary of the Parent may declare and pay dividends or distributions ratably with respect to its Equity

Interests;

(vii) the Parent and the Restricted Subsidiaries may declare and make Restricted Payments pursuant to and in accordance with stock option plans or other benefit plans for management, employees, directors, and consultants of the Parent and its Subsidiaries;

(viii) the Parent may declare and pay dividends or distributions consisting of Equity Interests in Unrestricted Subsidiaries; and

(ix) on or substantially contemporaneously with the consummation of the Parent IPO and in connection with Diamondback's withdrawal as the organizational limited partner of the Parent, the Parent may make Restricted Payments to Diamondback in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 on account of Diamondback's initial capital contribution in the Parent.

(b) <u>Redemption of Senior Notes; Amendment of Indenture</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, prior to the date that is 91 days after the Maturity Date:

(i) make any optional or voluntary Redemption of or otherwise optionally or voluntarily Redeem whether in whole or in part any Senior Notes in cash, in each case other than:

(A) Redemptions made in exchange for, or from the proceeds of, Permitted Refinancing Debt; and

(B) Redemptions made from the proceeds of the sale or issuance of Equity Interests by the Parent or the Borrower if no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would exist after giving effect to such Redemption.

(ii) amend, modify, waive or otherwise change any of the terms of any Senior Notes or any indenture, agreement, instrument, certificate or other document relating to any Senior Notes incurred under Section 9.02(g) if after such amendment, waiver or change such Senior Notes would no longer qualify as Senior Notes.

Section 9.05 <u>Investments, Loans and Advances</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, make or permit to remain outstanding any Investments in or to any Person (whether by division or otherwise), except that the foregoing restriction shall not apply to:

(a) accounts receivable arising in the ordinary course of business.

(b) direct obligations of the United States or any agency thereof, or obligations guaranteed by the United States or any agency thereof, in each case maturing within one year from the date of creation thereof.

(c) commercial paper maturing within one year from the date of creation thereof rated in the highest grade by S&P or Moody's.

(d) deposits maturing within one year from the date of creation thereof with, including certificates of deposit issued by, any Lender or any office located in the United States of any other bank or trust company which is organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof, has capital, surplus and undivided profits aggregating at least \$100,000,000 (as of the date of such bank or trust company's most recent financial reports) and has a short term deposit rating of no lower than A2 or P2, as such rating is set forth from time to time, by S&P or Moody's, respectively.

- (e) deposits in money market funds investing exclusively in Investments described in Section 9.05(b), Section 9.05(c) or Section 9.05(d).
- (f) Investment made by a Guarantor or the Borrower in or to a Guarantor or the Borrower.

(g) subject to the limits in Section 9.06, Investments (including, without limitation, capital contributions) in general or limited partnerships or other types of entities (each a "venture") entered into by the Borrower or one of the Restricted Subsidiaries with others in the ordinary course of business; *provided* that (i) no Default or Event of Default exists at the time of, or would exist after making any such Investment, any such venture is engaged exclusively in activities described in Section 9.06(a) through (h), (ii) the interest in such venture is acquired in the ordinary course of business and on fair and reasonable terms and (iii) such venture interests acquired and capital contributions made (valued as of the date such interest was acquired or the contribution made) do not exceed, in the aggregate at any time outstanding an amount equal to \$50,000,000.

(h) loans or advances to employees, officers or directors in the ordinary course of business of the Parent or the Borrower as permitted by applicable law, including Section 402 of the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002, but in any event not to exceed \$1,000,000 in the aggregate at any time.

(i) Investments in stock, obligations or securities received in settlement of debts arising from Investments permitted under this Section 9.05 owing to the Borrower or any of the Restricted Subsidiaries as a result of a bankruptcy or other insolvency proceeding of the obligor or in lieu thereof in respect of such debts or upon the enforcement of any Lien in favor of the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary; *provided* that the Borrower shall give the Administrative Agent prompt written notice in the event that the aggregate amount of all Investments held at any one time under this Section 9.05(i) exceeds \$2,000,000 (measured by consideration paid at the time such Investment is received).

(j) Permitted Acquisitions and Investments owned by any Permitted Acquisition Target at the time of such Permitted Acquisition.

(k) other Investments in an aggregate amount at any time outstanding not to exceed the greater of (i) \$150,000,000 and (ii) 10% of Consolidated Net Tangible Assets, in each case under this subsection (k) measured by consideration paid at the time such Investment is made, less returns of invested capital (as opposed to returns on account of invested capital) subsequently received in respect of such Investment.

(l) guarantees of Debt permitted by Section 9.02(a), (g), or (j).

(m) to the extent constituting an Investment, Swap Agreements permitted under Section 9.16 and guarantees thereof.

(n) Investments in EPIC and Gray Oak, subject to (i) both prior to and after giving pro forma effect thereto, (A) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, (B) the Consolidated Total Leverage Ratio does not exceed 4.50 to 1.00, and (C) Availability is not less than 10.0% of the total Commitments and (ii) the Credit Parties pledging the Equity Interests in EPIC and Gray Oak that such applicable Credit Parties acquire to the extent permitted by the applicable organizational documents of the owner of EPIC and the owner of Gray Oak.

(o) Investments in the form of deposits or advances that are subject to Excepted Liens.

(p) Investments in the form of the disposition of Equity Interests in an Unrestricted Subsidiary (and any Equity Interests received in exchange for such disposition).

Section 9.06 <u>Nature of Business; International Operations</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, engage (directly or indirectly) in any primary line of business other than: (a) gathering, dehydrating or compressing natural gas, crude, condensate, natural gas liquids and other Hydrocarbons; (b) treating, processing, fractionating or transporting natural gas, crude, condensate or natural gas liquids or the fractionated products thereof and other Hydrocarbons; (c) storing natural gas, crude, condensate, natural gas liquids or the fractionated products thereof and other Hydrocarbons; (c) storing natural gas, crude, condensate, natural gas liquids or the fractionated products thereof and other Hydrocarbons; (e) water distribution, storage, supply, treatment and disposal services; (f) gathering, distributing, marketing, treating, processing, transporting, storing, disposing of, and otherwise handling, Hydrocarbons, water, sand, minerals, chemicals or other products or substances commonly created, used, recovered, produced, consumed or processed in the conduct of the oil and gas business; (g) building, acquiring and operating the facilities and equipment to do the foregoing; and (h) owning, leasing and managing office buildings. From and after the date hereof, the Parent, the Borrower and the other Restricted Subsidiaries will not acquire or make any other expenditure (whether such expenditure is capital, operating or otherwise) to purchase or lease, or acquire Rights of Way in, any real Property not located within the geographical boundaries of the United States of America and they will not form or acquire any Foreign Subsidiaries.

Section 9.07 <u>Proceeds of Loans</u>. The Borrower will not permit the proceeds of the Loans to be used for any purpose other than those permitted by Section 7.20. Neither the Borrower nor any Person acting on behalf of the Borrower has taken or will take any action that might cause any of the Loan Documents to violate Regulations T, U or X or any other regulation of the Board or to violate Section 7 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation thereunder, in each case as now in effect or as the same may hereinafter be in effect. If requested by the Administrative Agent, the Borrower will furnish to the Administrative Agent and each Lender a statement to the foregoing effect in conformity with the requirements of FR Form U-1 or such other form referred to in Regulation U, Regulation T or Regulation X of the Board, as the case may be. The Borrower will not request any Borrowing or Letter of Credit, and the Borrower shall

not use, and shall procure that the Subsidiaries and its or their respective directors, officers, employees and agents acting in their respective capacities as such 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 applicable Anti-Corruption Laws in any material respect, (b) for the purpose of funding, financing or facilitating any activities, business or transaction of or with any Sanctioned Person, or involving any Sanctioned Country in each case, in violation of Sanctions or (c) in any manner that would knowingly result in the violation of any Sanctions.

Section 9.08 ERISA Compliance. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, at any time:

(a) engage in, or permit any ERISA Affiliate to engage in, any transaction in connection with which the Parent, the Borrower, a Restricted Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate could be subjected to either a material civil penalty assessed pursuant to subsections (c), (i), (l) or (m) of section 502 of ERISA or a material tax imposed by Chapter 43 of Subtitle D of the Code.

(b) fail to make, or permit any ERISA Affiliate to fail to make, full payment when due of all amounts which, under the provisions of any Plan, agreement relating thereto or applicable law, the Parent, the Borrower, a Restricted Subsidiary or any ERISA Affiliate is required to pay as contributions thereto.

(c) permit to exist, or allow any ERISA Affiliate to permit to exist, any accumulated funding deficiency within the meaning of section 302 of ERISA or section 412 of the Code, whether or not waived, with respect to any Plan.

(d) contribute to or assume an obligation to contribute to, or permit any ERISA Affiliate to contribute to or assume an obligation to contribute to, (i) any employee welfare benefit plan, as defined in section 3(1) of ERISA, including, without limitation, any such Plan maintained to provide benefits to former employees of such entities, that may not be terminated by such entities in their sole discretion at any time without any material liability or (ii) any employee pension benefit plan, as defined in section 3(2) of ERISA, that is subject to Title IV of ERISA, section 302 of ERISA or section 412 of the Code.

Section 9.09 <u>Sale or Discount of Receivables</u>. Except for receivables obtained by the Parent, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary out of the ordinary course of business or the settlement of joint interest billing accounts in the ordinary course of business or discounts granted to settle collection of accounts receivable or the sale of defaulted accounts arising in the ordinary course of business in connection with the compromise or collection thereof and not in connection with any financing transaction, the Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, discount or sell (with or without recourse) any of its notes receivable or accounts receivable.

Section 9.10 <u>Mergers, Etc</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, merge into or with or consolidate with any other Person, or sell, lease or otherwise dispose of (whether in one transaction or in a series of transactions and including by statutory division of such Person) all or substantially all of its Property to any other

Person, except that (a) the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary may merge or consolidate with, or sell, lease or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its Property to, the Borrower or any Restricted Subsidiary, and any Restricted Subsidiary may divide and (b) the Borrower or any Guarantor may merge with another Person in order to consummate a Permitted Acquisition or other Investment permitted by Section 9.05, but in each case under clauses (a) and (b), (i) in the case of a merger or division involving a Guarantor, a Guarantor must be the surviving entity or the Person created as a result of such division must become a Guarantor in accordance with Section 8.14, as applicable, and (ii) notwithstanding clause (i), in the case of a merger involving the Borrower, the Borrower must be the surviving entity.

Section 9.11 <u>Asset Dispositions</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, make any Asset Disposition except for Asset Dispositions that meet all of the following requirements:

(a) at the time of such Asset Disposition, no Default or Event of Default shall exist or would result from such Asset Disposition,

(b) the purchase price for such Asset Disposition shall be at fair market value (as reasonably determined by the board of directors (or comparable governing body) of the Borrower and, if requested by the Administrative Agent, the Borrower shall deliver a certificate of a Responsible Officer of the Borrower certifying to that effect),

(c) not less than 75% of the purchase price for such Asset Disposition shall be paid to the Parent and its Subsidiaries in the form of cash, cash equivalents or assets useful in the ordinary course of business of the Parent and its Subsidiaries by the transferee of any such assets or its Affiliates,

(d) such Asset Disposition is not a Transfer of Equity Interests in the Borrower,

(e) if such Asset Disposition is a Transfer of more than fifty percent (50%) of the common voting Equity Interests in a Restricted Subsidiary, either (i) such Asset Disposition shall include all of the common voting Equity Interests of such Restricted Subsidiary or (ii) any common voting Equity Interests in such Restricted Subsidiary that are not Transferred as part of such Asset Disposition shall be treated as an Investment for purposes of Section 9.05 and such Investment must be permitted under Section 9.05, and

(f) the fair market value of the Property Transferred pursuant to such Asset Disposition, when aggregated with all other Asset Dispositions made during such calendar year, does not exceed \$75,000,000.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Credit Party may make an Asset Disposition of Equity Interests in, or other securities of, an Unrestricted Subsidiary. Following any Asset Disposition (including, without limitation, any Asset Disposition of the Equity Interests in, or other securities of, an Unrestricted Subsidiary), the Borrower must make any mandatory prepayment required in connection therewith under Section 3.04(c) if, as and when so required.

Section 9.12 <u>Environmental Matters</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, cause any of its Property to be in violation of, or do

anything which will subject any such Property to a Release or threatened Release of Hazardous Materials, exposure to any Hazardous Materials, or to any Remedial Work under any Environmental Laws, assuming disclosure to the applicable Governmental Authority of all relevant facts, conditions and circumstances, if any, pertaining to such Property where such violations or remedial obligations could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

#### Section 9.13 Transactions With Affiliates.

(a) The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, enter into any transaction, including, without limitation, any purchase, sale, lease or exchange of Property or the rendering of any service, with any Affiliate unless such transaction is upon fair and reasonable terms no less favorable to it than it would obtain in a comparable arm's length transaction with a Person not an Affiliate.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Parent, the Borrower and the other Restricted Subsidiaries may enter into and perform the following transactions:

(i) the payment of reasonable fees, compensation, and reimbursements or advances of reasonable and documented out-of-pocket expenses made or paid to or for the benefit of any employee, officer or director of the Parent, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, the General Partner or Diamondback or any of its Subsidiaries, and any employment agreement, employee benefit plan, officer or director indemnification agreement or any similar arrangement entered into by the Parent or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business, and any customary indemnities permitted or required by bylaw, partnership agreement, LLC agreement, statutory provisions or any of the foregoing agreements, plans or arrangements and provisions for customary officers' and directors' liability insurance in the ordinary course of business;

- (ii) transactions between or among the Parent and its Restricted Subsidiaries;
- (iii) any issuance or sale of Equity Interests of the Parent or the Borrower;
- (iv) the transactions permitted by Sections 9.04, 9.10, 9.11, or 9.15;

(v) the existence of, the entry into, and the performance by the Parent or any Restricted Subsidiary of its obligations under the terms of, (A) any agreement that is described in or contemplated by the Registration Statement under the heading "Certain Relationships and Related Party Transactions—Agreements with our Affiliates in Connection with the Transactions" and (B) any agreement constituting an amendment, supplement or other modification of an agreement referred to in clause (A), in each case if the terms of such agreement in this clause (B), taken as a whole, are not materially less favorable to the Parent and its Restricted Subsidiaries than the agreement referred to in clause (A) as determined by the board of directors (or such applicable governing body of the Parent or the applicable Restricted Subsidiary);

(vi) any transaction in which the Parent or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries delivers to the Administrative Agent a letter from an accounting, appraisal or

investment banking firm of national standing stating that such transaction is fair to the Parent or such Restricted Subsidiary from a financial point of view or that such transaction meets the requirements of paragraph (a); and

(vii) transactions approved by the board of directors (or any conflicts committee thereof) of the General Partner in accordance with the Parent Partnership Agreement.

Section 9.14 <u>Subsidiaries</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, create or acquire any additional Subsidiary unless the Borrower gives written notice to the Administrative Agent of such creation or acquisition and complies with Section 8.14(b), to the extent required thereby. The Parent will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, (a) Transfer any Equity Interests in the Borrower or (b) Transfer any Equity Interests in any other Restricted Subsidiary except (i) to the Borrower or a Restricted Subsidiary that is a Guarantor or (ii) in compliance with Section 9.11. The Parent and the Borrower will not permit any Equity Interests of any Restricted Subsidiary to be directly owned by any Person other than the Borrower or a Restricted Subsidiary that is a Guarantor.

Section 9.15 <u>Negative Pledge Agreements; Dividend Restrictions</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any contract, agreement or understanding (other than this Agreement, the other Loan Documents, the agreements creating Liens permitted by Sections 9.03(c), (h) and (i), the instruments or agreements evidencing Senior Notes or any Permitted Refinancing Debt in respect thereof, any Debt permitted by Section 9.02(b)(ii), or any Swap Agreement permitted by Section 9.16, usual and customary restrictions on the pledge or transfer of equity interests in certain joint ventures, usual and customary restrictions in purchase and sale agreements relating to the Property subject thereof, restrictions on the granting of Liens contained in agreements subject to Excepted Liens, restrictions on the granting of Liens on the Equity Interests in Unrestricted Subsidiaries, restrictions in agreements of the types contemplated by Section 9.13(b), restrictions on the granting of Liens in licenses, easements, leases and gathering, processing, compression, transporting, fractionating, waste water treatment and other operational contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business, and restrictions on cash or other deposits or net worth imposed by customers and suppliers in the ordinary course of business) which in any material way prohibits or restricts the granting, conveying, creation or imposition of any Lien on any of its Property in favor of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders or restricts any Restricted Subsidiary from paying dividends or making distributions to the Parent, the Borrower, or any Guarantor, or which requires the consent of or notice to other Persons in connection therewith.

Section 9.16 <u>Swap Agreements</u>. The Parent and the Borrower will not, and will not permit any other Restricted Subsidiary to, enter into any Swap Agreements with any Person other than Swap Agreements in respect of commodities or interest rates (a) with an Approved Counterparty and (b) that are entered into for the purpose of hedging exposure to interest rates or commodity price risk (including basis risk) or to reduce overall costs with respect to interest rates or commodity prices (including protection against changes in, and reduction of, costs that are directly or indirectly a function of, or correlated to, interest rates or commodity prices) and that are not for speculative purposes. In no event shall any Swap Agreement contain any requirement, agreement or covenant for the Parent, the Borrower or any other Restricted Subsidiary to maintain or post (other than pursuant to a Security Instrument) collateral or margin to secure their obligations under such Swap Agreement or to cover market exposures.

# Section 9.17 Designation of Restricted and Unrestricted Subsidiaries.

(a) Unless designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary on <u>Schedule 7.14</u> as of the date hereof or thereafter, in compliance with Section 9.17(b) or Section 9.17(d), any Person that becomes a Subsidiary of the Parent or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries shall be classified as a Restricted Subsidiary.

(b) The Parent may designate by written notification thereof to the Administrative Agent, any Restricted Subsidiary (other than the Borrower), including a newly or to be formed or newly or to be acquired Subsidiary, as an Unrestricted Subsidiary if (i) prior, and immediately after giving effect, to such designation, no Default would exist and (ii) such designation is deemed to be an Investment in an Unrestricted Subsidiary in an amount equal to the fair market value as of the date of such designation of the Parent's and its Restricted Subsidiaries' direct and indirect ownership interest in such Subsidiary and such Investment would be permitted to be made at the time of such designation under Section 9.05. Except as provided in this Section 9.17, no Restricted Subsidiary may be designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

(c) The Parent may designate any Unrestricted Subsidiary to be a Restricted Subsidiary if after giving effect to such designation, (i) the representations and warranties of the Parent, the Borrower and the other Restricted Subsidiaries contained in each of the Loan Documents are true and correct in all material respects on and as of such date as if made on and as of the date of such redesignation (or, if stated to have been made expressly as of an earlier date, were true and correct in all material respects as of such date), (ii) no Default exists, (iii) the Parent and the Borrower comply with the requirements of Section 8.14(b) and Section 8.16 and (iv) the Parent directly or indirectly owns all of the Equity Interests in such Subsidiary. Any such designation shall be treated as a cash dividend to the Parent or the Borrower in an amount equal to the lesser of (A) the fair market value of the Borrower's and its Restricted Subsidiaries' direct ownership interests in such Subsidiary and (B) the amount of the Parent or the Borrower's and its Restricted Subsidiaries' aggregate investment previously made for purposes of the limitation on Investments under Section 9.05. Upon the designation of an Unrestricted Subsidiary as a Restricted Subsidiary, all Investments previously made in such Unrestricted Subsidiary shall no longer be counted in determining the limitation on Investments under Section 9.05(k).

(d) Each Subsidiary of an Unrestricted Subsidiary shall automatically be designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

(e) Upon designation of a Restricted Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary in compliance with this Section 9.17, (i) such Subsidiary shall be automatically released from all obligations, if any, under the Loan Documents, including the Guaranty and Security Agreement and all other applicable Security Instruments and (ii) all Liens granted pursuant to the Guaranty and Security Agreement and all other applicable Security Instruments in, such Unrestricted Subsidiary shall be automatically released.

Section 9.18 <u>Changes to Organizational Documents and Material Contracts</u>. The Parent and the Borrower shall not, and shall not permit any other Credit Party to, (a) amend, supplement or otherwise modify (or permit to be amended, supplemented or modified) its certificate of formation, limited liability company agreement, limited partnership agreement (including, without limitation, the Parent Partnership Agreement), articles of incorporation, bylaws, any preferred stock designation or any other organic document of such Person in any manner that would be adverse to the Lenders in any material respect (provided that any amendment, supplement or other modification to the conflicts rules and procedures or other provisions governing transactions with Affiliates thereunder shall be deemed to be material if adverse to the Lenders in any respect) or (b) amend, supplement or otherwise modify (or permit to be amended, supplemented or modified) any Material Contract in any manner that would be adverse to the Lenders in any material respect.

Section 9.19 <u>Permitted Activities of the Parent</u>. The Parent covenants and agrees with the Administrative Agent and the Lenders that the Parent shall not (a) engage in any material operating or business activities other than (i) ownership of the Equity Interests in and Investments in the Borrower and other Subsidiaries (subject to clause (d) below), (ii) activities incidental to maintenance of its and its Subsidiaries' existence and the management of their businesses (including the maintenance of the Parent's existence as a master limited partnership), (iii) issuances and sales of Equity Interests (subject to clause (b) below), (iv) the incurrence and payment of taxes and professional fees, (v) activities incidental to the maintenance of the General Partner, (vi) transactions permitted under Sections 9.04, 9.10, 9.11, or 9.13, and (vii) as permitted in clause (c) below, (b) sell, transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of its Equity Interests in the Borrower, (c) incur any Liens or Debt for borrowed money (other than those relating to the Loans hereunder or the Senior Notes), or (d) own or control any direct Subsidiaries (other than (x) the Borrower and (y) any direct Subsidiary that is formed as a shell corporation solely for the purpose of facilitating the issuance of Senior Notes pursuant to Section 9.02(g)).

# ARTICLE X Events of Default; Remedies

Section 10.01 Events of Default. One or more of the following events shall constitute an "Event of Default":

(a) the Borrower 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, by acceleration or otherwise.

(b) the Borrower shall fail to pay any interest on any Loan or any fee or any other amount (other than an amount referred to in Section 10.01(a)) payable under any 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 or warranty made or deemed made by or on behalf of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary in or in connection with any Loan Document or any amendment or modification of any Loan Document or waiver under such Loan Document, 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 when made or deemed made (or, if already qualified by materiality, Material Adverse Effect or a similar qualification, true and correct in all respects).

(d) the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary shall fail to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement contained in Section 8.01(j), Section 8.02, Section 8.03, Section 8.14, Section 8.16, Section 8.17, Section 8.18, Section 8.19, or in Article IX.

(e) the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary shall fail to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement contained in this Agreement (other than those specified in Section 10.01(a), Section 10.01(b) or Section 10.01(d)) or any other Loan Document, and such failure shall continue unremedied for a period of thirty (30) days after the earlier to occur of (i) notice thereof from the Administrative Agent to the Borrower (which notice will be given at the request of any Lender) or (ii) a Responsible Officer of the Borrower or such Subsidiary otherwise becoming aware of such default.

(f) the Parent, the Borrower, or any other Restricted 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, and such failure continues beyond any applicable grace period.

(g) any event or condition (other than customary change of control or asset sale tender offer provisions of any Senior Notes Indenture or any agreement governing any Permitted Refinancing Debt which would require a mandatory prepayment or redemption of the Debt arising thereunder, and other than the delivery of a notice of voluntary prepayment or redemption to the extent permitted hereunder) occurs that results in any Material Indebtedness 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 its or their behalf to cause any Material Indebtedness to become due, or to require the Redemption thereof or any offer to Redeem to be made in respect thereof, prior to its scheduled maturity or require the Parent, the Borrower, or any other Restricted Subsidiary to make an offer in respect thereof.

(h) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking (i) liquidation, reorganization or other relief in respect of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Guarantor or its debts, or of a substantial part of its assets, under any 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 the Parent, the Borrower, or any Guarantor or for a substantial part of its assets, and, in any such case, such proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for thirty (30) days or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered.

(i) the Parent, the Borrower, or any Guarantor shall (i) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization or other relief under any 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 Section 10.01(h), (iii) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator or similar official for the Parent, the Borrower, or any Guarantor 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 material action for the purpose of effecting any of the foregoing; or any holder of Equity Interests of the Parent (that owns greater than ten percent (10%) of its membership interests) or the Borrower shall make any request or take any action for the purpose of calling a meeting of the equity holders of the Parent or the Borrower to consider a resolution to dissolve and wind up the Parent's or the Borrower's affairs.

(j) the Parent, the Borrower, or any Guarantor shall become unable, admit in writing its inability or fail generally to pay its debts as they become due.

(k) (i) one or more judgments for the payment of money in an aggregate amount in excess of \$50,000,000 (to the extent not covered by independent third party insurance provided by insurers of the highest claims paying rating or financial strength as to which the insurer does not dispute coverage and is not subject to an insolvency proceeding) or (ii) any one or more non-monetary judgments that have, or could reasonably be expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, shall be rendered against the Parent, the Borrower, or any other Restricted Subsidiary or any combination thereof and the same shall remain undischarged for a period of thirty (30) 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 the Parent, the Borrower, or any other Restricted Subsidiary to enforce any such judgment.

(1) the Loan Documents after delivery thereof shall for any reason, except to the extent permitted by the terms thereof, cease to be in full force and effect and valid, binding and enforceable in accordance with their terms against the Parent, the Borrower, or any Guarantor party thereto, or shall be repudiated by any of them, or cease to create a valid and perfected Lien of the priority required thereby on any of the Collateral purported to be covered thereby, except to the extent permitted by the terms of this Agreement, or the Parent, the Borrower, or any other Restricted Subsidiary or any of their Affiliates shall so state in writing.

(m) a Change in Control shall occur.

## Section 10.02 Remedies.

(a) In the case of an Event of Default other than one described in Section 10.01(h), Section 10.01(i) or Section 10.01(j), at any time thereafter during the continuance of such Event of Default, the Administrative Agent may, and at the request of the Majority Lenders, shall, by notice to the Borrower, take either or both of the following actions, at the same or different times: (i) terminate the Commitments, and thereupon the Commitments shall terminate immediately, and (ii) declare the Notes and 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 Borrower and the Guarantors accrued hereunder and under the Notes and the

other Loan Documents (including, without limitation, the payment of cash collateral to secure the LC Exposure as provided in Section 2.07(j)), 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 Borrower and each Guarantor; and in case of an Event of Default described in Section 10.01(h), Section 10.01(i) or Section 10.01(j), the Commitments shall automatically terminate and the Notes and the principal of the Loans then outstanding, together with accrued interest thereon and all fees and the other obligations of the Borrower and the Guarantors accrued hereunder and under the Notes and the other Loan Documents (including, without limitation, the payment of cash collateral to secure the LC Exposure as provided in Section 2.07(j)), 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 Borrower and each Guarantor.

(b) In the case of the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Administrative Agent and the Lenders will have all other rights and remedies available at law and equity.

(c) Except as provided in Section 4.03, all proceeds realized from the liquidation or other disposition of Collateral or otherwise received after maturity of the Notes, whether by acceleration or otherwise, shall be applied:

(i) *first*, to payment or reimbursement of that portion of the Indebtedness constituting fees, expenses and indemnities payable to the Administrative Agent in its capacity as such;

(ii) *second*, pro rata to payment or reimbursement of that portion of the Indebtedness constituting fees, expenses and indemnities payable to the Lenders and the Issuing Banks;

(iii) *third*, pro rata to payment of accrued interest on the Loans;

(iv) *fourth*, pro rata to payment of (A) principal outstanding on the Loans, (B) LC Disbursements that have not yet been reimbursed by or on behalf of the Borrower at such time, and (C) Indebtedness referred to in clause (b) and (c) of the definition of Indebtedness;

- (v) *fifth*, pro rata to any other Indebtedness;
- (vi) sixth, to serve as cash collateral to be held by the Administrative Agent to secure the LC Exposure; and

(vii) *seventh*, any excess, after all of the Indebtedness shall have been paid in full in cash, shall be paid to the Borrower or as otherwise required by any Governmental Requirement.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, amounts received from the Borrower or any Guarantor that is not an Eligible Contract Participant shall not be applied to any Excluded Swap Obligations (it being understood, that in the event that any amount is applied to Indebtedness other than Excluded Swap Obligations as a result of this clause, the Administrative Agent shall make such adjustments as it determines are appropriate to distributions pursuant to clause "fourth" above from amounts

received from Eligible Contract Participants to ensure, as nearly as possible, that the proportional aggregate recoveries with respect to Excluded Swap Obligations described in clause "fourth" are the same as the proportional aggregate recoveries with respect to other Indebtedness pursuant to such clause above).

## ARTICLE XI The Agents

Section 11.01 <u>Appointment; Powers</u>. Each of the Lenders and Issuing Banks hereby irrevocably appoints the Administrative Agent as its agent and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such actions on its behalf and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms hereof and the other Loan Documents, together with such actions and powers as are reasonably incidental thereto.

Section 11.02 Duties and Obligations of Administrative Agent. 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 (the use of the term "agent" herein and in the other Loan Documents 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; rather, such term is used merely as a matter of market custom, and is intended to create or reflect only an administrative relationship between independent contracting parties), (b) the Administrative Agent shall have no duty to take any discretionary action or exercise any discretionary powers, except as provided in Section 11.03, and (c) except as expressly set forth herein, the Administrative Agent shall not have any duty to disclose, and shall not be liable for the failure to disclose, any information relating to the Parent, the Borrower, or any of its Subsidiaries 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 be deemed not to have knowledge of any Default unless and until written notice thereof is given to the Administrative Agent by the Parent, the Borrower or a Lender, and 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 this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (ii) the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or under any other Loan Document or in connection herewith or therewith, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth herein or in any other Loan Document, (iv) the validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of this Agreement, any other Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document, (v) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article VI or elsewhere herein, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent or as to those conditions precedent expressly required to be to the Administrative Agent's satisfaction, (vi) the existence, value, perfection or priority of any collateral security or the financial or other condition of the Parent, the Borrower, or any of its Subsidiaries or any other obligor or guarantor, or (vii) any failure by the Parent, the Borrower, or any of its Subsidiaries or any other Person (other than itself) to perform any of its obligations hereunder or under any other Loan Document or the performance or observance of any covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth herein or therein. For purposes of determining compliance with the conditions specified in Article VI, each Lender shall be deemed to have consented to, approved or accepted or to be satisfied with, each document or other matter required

thereunder to be consented to or approved by or acceptable or satisfactory to a Lender unless the Administrative Agent shall have received written notice from such Lender prior to the proposed closing date specifying its objection thereto.

Section 11.03 Action by Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent shall have no duty to take any discretionary action or exercise any discretionary powers, except discretionary rights and powers expressly contemplated hereby or by the other Loan Documents that the Administrative Agent is required to exercise in writing as directed by the Majority Lenders or the Lenders, as applicable, (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary under the circumstances as provided in Section 12.02) and in all cases the Administrative Agent shall be fully justified in failing or refusing to act hereunder or under any other Loan Documents unless it shall (a) receive written instructions from the Majority Lenders or the Lenders, as applicable, (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary under the circumstances as provided in Section 12.02) specifying the action to be taken and (b) be indemnified to its satisfaction by the Lenders against any and all liability and expenses which may be incurred by it by reason of taking or continuing to take any such action. The instructions as aforesaid and any action taken or failure to act pursuant thereto by the Administrative Agent shall be binding on all of the Lenders. If a Default has occurred and is continuing, then the Administrative Agent shall take such action with respect to such Default as shall be directed by the requisite Lenders in the written instructions (with indemnities) described in this Section 11.03, provided that, unless and until the Administrative Agent shall have received such directions, the Administrative Agent may (but shall not be obligated to) take such action, or refrain from taking such action, with respect to such Default as it shall deem advisable in the best interests of the Lenders. In no event, however, shall the Administrative Agent be required to take any action which exposes the Administrative Agent to personal liability or which is contrary to this Agreement, the Loan Documents or applicable law. If a Default has occurred and is continuing, none of the Agents shall have any obligation to perform any act in respect thereof. 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 Majority Lenders or the Lenders, as applicable, (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary under the circumstances as provided in Section 12.02), and otherwise no Agent shall be liable for any action taken or not taken by it hereunder or under any other Loan Document or under any other document or instrument referred to or provided for herein or therein or in connection herewith or therewith INCLUDING ITS OWN ORDINARY NEGLIGENCE, except for its own gross negligence or willful misconduct.

Section 11.04 <u>Reliance by Administrative Agent</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 and each of the Parent, the Borrower, the Lenders and the Issuing Bank hereby waives the right to dispute the Administrative Agent's record of such statement, except in the case of gross negligence or willful misconduct by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent may consult with legal counsel (who may be counsel for the Borrower), 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. The Administrative Agent may deem and treat the payee of any Note as the holder thereof for all purposes hereof unless and until a written notice of the assignment or transfer thereof permitted hereunder shall have been filed with the Administrative Agent.

Section 11.05 <u>Subagents</u>. The Administrative Agent may perform any and all 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 its duties and exercise its rights and powers through their respective Related Parties. The exculpatory provisions of the preceding Sections of this Article XI 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 Administrative Agent.

Section 11.06 <u>Resignation of Administrative Agent</u>. Subject to the appointment and acceptance of a successor Administrative Agent as provided in this Section 11.06, the Administrative Agent may resign at any time by notifying the Lenders, the Issuing Bank and the Borrower, and the Administrative Agent may be removed at any time by the Majority Lenders if the Administrative Agent, in its capacity as a Lender, is a Defaulting Lender at such time. Upon any such resignation, the Majority Lenders shall have the right, subject, if no Event of Default exists, to the consent of the Borrower, to appoint a successor. If no successor shall have been so appointed by the Majority 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. Upon the acceptance of its appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder by a 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. The fees payable by the Borrower to a successor Administrative Agent shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor unless otherwise agreed between the Borrower and such successor. After the 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 Agent.

Section 11.07 <u>Agents as Lenders</u>. Each bank serving as an 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 an Agent, and such bank and its Affiliates may accept deposits from, lend money to and generally engage in any kind of business with the Parent, the Borrower or any Subsidiary or other Affiliate thereof as if it were not an Agent hereunder.

Section 11.08 <u>No Reliance</u>. Each Lender acknowledges that it has, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, any other Agent or any other Lender and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Agreement and each other Loan Document to which it is a party. Each Lender also acknowledges that it will, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, any other Agent or any other Lender and based on such documents and information 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. The Agents shall not be required to keep themselves informed as to the performance or observance by the Parent, the Borrower or any of their Subsidiaries of this Agreement, the Loan Documents or any other document referred to or provided for herein or to inspect the Properties or books of the Parent, the Borrower or their Subsidiaries. Except for notices, reports and other documents and information expressly required to be furnished to the Lenders by the Administrative Agent hereunder, no Agent or the Arrangers shall have any duty or responsibility to provide any Lender with any credit or other information concerning the affairs, financial condition or business of the Parent or the Borrower (or any of their respective Affiliates) which may come into the possession of such Agent or any of its Affiliates. In this regard, each Lender acknowledges that Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. is acting in this transaction as special counsel to the Administrative Agent only, except to the extent otherwise expressly stated in any legal opinion or any Loan Document. Each other party hereto will consult with its own legal counsel to the extent that it deems necessary in connection with the Loan Documents and the matters contemplated therein.

Section 11.09 <u>Administrative Agent May File Proofs of Claim</u>. In case of the pendency of any receivership, insolvency, liquidation, bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, composition or other judicial proceeding relative to the Parent, the Borrower or any of their Subsidiaries, the Administrative Agent (irrespective of whether the principal of any Loan shall then be due and payable as herein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Administrative Agent shall have made any demand on the Borrower) shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceeding or otherwise:

(a) to file and prove a claim for the whole amount of the principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Loans and all other Indebtedness that are owing and unpaid and to file such other documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Lenders and the Administrative Agent (including any claim for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Lenders and the Administrative Agent and their respective agents and counsel and all other amounts due the Lenders and the Administrative Agent under Section 12.03) allowed in such judicial proceeding; and

(b) to collect and receive any monies or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims and to distribute the same;

and any custodian, receiver, assignee, trustee, liquidator, sequestrator or other similar official in any such judicial proceeding is hereby authorized by each Lender to make such payments to the Administrative Agent and, in the event that the Administrative Agent shall consent to the making of such payments directly to the Lenders, to pay to the Administrative Agent any amount due for the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Administrative Agent and its agents and counsel, and any other amounts due the Administrative Agent under Section 12.03.

Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to authorize the Administrative Agent to authorize or consent to or accept or adopt on behalf of any Lender any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Indebtedness or the rights of any Lender or to authorize the Administrative Agent to vote in respect of the claim of any Lender in any such proceeding.

Section 11.10 <u>Authority of Administrative Agent to Release Collateral and Liens</u>. Each Lender and Issuing Bank hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to, and upon the written request of the Borrower, the Administrative Agent, at the Borrower's sole expense, shall (i) release any Collateral that is permitted to be sold or released pursuant to the terms of the Loan Documents, (ii) release any Guarantor from the Guaranty and Security Agreement pursuant to the terms hereof or thereof, and (iii) release or subordinate any Lien on any Collateral granted to or held by the Administrative Agent under any Loan Document to the holder of any Lien on such Collateral permitted pursuant to Sections 9.03(c) or (i). Each Lender and the Issuing Bank hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to execute and deliver to the Borrower, at the Borrower's sole cost and expense, any and all releases of Liens, termination statements, assignments, releases of guarantees or other documents reasonably requested by the Borrower in connection with (A) the events described in the preceding sentence and (B) any designation of a Restricted Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary in compliance with Section 9.17.

Section 11.11 <u>The Arrangers and other Agents</u>. Neither the Arrangers nor any Agent (other than the Administrative Agent) shall have any duties, responsibilities or liabilities under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents other than their duties, responsibilities and liabilities in their capacity as Lenders hereunder.

# ARTICLE XII Miscellaneous

# Section 12.01 Notices.

(a) Except in the case of notices and other communications expressly permitted to be given by telephone (and subject to Section 12.01(b)), 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 facsimile or e-mail, as follows:

(i) if to the Borrower or the Parent to it at 500 West Texas, Suite 1225, Midland, Texas, 70701, Attention of Teresa L. Dick (Facsimile No. (405) 286-5920, e-mail address: tdick@diamondbackenergy.com);

(ii) if to the Administrative Agent, to it at 1000 Louisiana, Suite 900, Houston, Texas, 77002; Attention of Andrew Ostrov (Facsimile No. (866) 620-0623, e-mail address: andrew.ostrov@wellsfargo.com), with a copy to WLS Charlotte Agency Services (Facsimile No. (704) 590-2782, email address: Donna.Verwold@wellsfargo.com), 1525 W. WT Harris Blvd., Charlotte, NC 28262; or

(iii) if to any other Lender, to it at its address (or facsimile number) set forth in its Administrative Questionnaire.

(b) Notices and other communications to the Lenders hereunder may be delivered or furnished by electronic communications pursuant to procedures approved by the Administrative Agent; *provided* that the foregoing shall not apply to notices pursuant to Article II, Article III, Article IV and Article V unless otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent and the applicable Lender. The Administrative Agent or the Borrower may, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by electronic communications pursuant to procedures approved by it; *provided* that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications.

(c) Any party hereto may change its address, email address or facsimile number 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.

# Section 12.02 <u>Waivers; Amendments</u>.

(a) No failure on the part of the Administrative Agent, any other Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender to exercise and no delay in exercising, and no course of dealing with respect to, any right, power or privilege, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such right, power or privilege under any of the Loan Documents shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or privilege under any of the Loan Documents preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege. The rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent, any other Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders hereunder and under the other Loan Documents are cumulative and are not exclusive of any rights or remedies that they would otherwise have. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement or any other Loan Document or consent to any departure by the Parent or any of the Restricted Subsidiaries therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be permitted by Section 12.02(b), 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 other Agent, any Lender or the Issuing Bank may have had notice or knowledge of such Default at the time.

(b) Neither this Agreement nor any provision hereof nor any Security Instrument nor any provision thereof may be waived, amended or modified except pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by the Borrower and the Majority Lenders or by the Borrower and the Administrative Agent with the consent of the Majority Lenders; *provided* that no such agreement shall (i) increase the Commitment of any Lender without the written consent of such Lender, (ii) reduce the principal amount of any Loan or LC Disbursement or reduce the rate of interest thereon, or reduce any fees payable hereunder, or reduce any other Indebtedness hereunder or under any other Loan Document, without the written consent of each Lender affected thereby, (iii) postpone the scheduled date of payment or prepayment of the principal amount of any Loan or LC Disbursement, or reduce the amount of, waive or excuse any such payment, or postpone or extend the Termination Date without the written consent of each Lender affected thereby, (iv) change Section 4.01(b) or Section 3.04(c), Section 6.01, Section 8.14, Section 10.02(c) or Section 12.14 or change the definition of the terms "Domestic Subsidiary", "Foreign Subsidiary", "Subsidiary" or "Applicable Percentage", without the written consent of each Lender (other than any Defaulting Lender), (vi) release any Guarantor (except as set forth in the Guaranty and Security Agreement or as provided for in Section 11.10), release all or substantially all of the collateral (other than as provided in Section 11.10), without the written

consent of each Lender (other than any Defaulting Lender), or (vii) change any of the provisions of this Section 12.02(b) or the definition of "Majority Lenders", or any other provision hereof specifying the number or percentage of Lenders required to waive, amend or modify any rights hereunder or under any other Loan Documents or make any determination or grant any consent hereunder or any other Loan Documents, without the written consent of each Lender; *provided, further* that no such agreement shall amend, modify or otherwise affect the rights or duties of the Administrative Agent, any other Agent or Issuing Bank hereunder or under any other Loan Document without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, such other Agent or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) any supplement to <u>Schedule 7.14</u> (Subsidiaries) (provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, any such designation of an Unrestricted Subsidiary and/or a Restricted Subsidiary must be made in accordance with and subject to Section 9.17) and <u>Schedule 7.26</u> (Flood Insurance Related Matters) shall be effective simply by delivering to the Administrative Agent a supplemental schedule clearly marked as such and, upon receipt, the Administrative Agent will promptly deliver a copy thereof to the Lenders and (ii) the Administrative Agent and the Borrower may, without the consent of any Lender, enter into amendments or modifications to this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents as the Administrative Agent and the Borrower reasonably deem appropriate in order to implement any Replacement Rate or otherwise effectuate the terms of Section 5.06 in accordance with the terms of Section 5.06.

## Section 12.03 Expenses, Indemnity; Damage Waiver.

(a) The Borrower shall pay (i) all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates, including, without limitation, the reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of counsel (which shall be limited to one counsel to the Administrative Agent and one local counsel as reasonably necessary in any relevant jurisdiction material to the interests of the Lenders taken as a whole (and solely in the case of an actual conflict of interest, one additional counsel and (if reasonably necessary) one local counsel in each relevant jurisdiction to the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates) and other outside consultants for the Administrative Agent, the reasonable travel, photocopy, mailing, courier, telephone and other similar expenses, and the cost of environmental invasive and non-invasive assessments and audits and surveys and appraisals, in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein, the preparation, negotiation, execution, delivery and administration (both before and after the execution hereof and including advice of counsel to the Administrative Agent as to the rights and duties of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders with respect thereto) of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents and any amendments, modifications or waivers of or consents related to the provisions hereof or thereof (whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be consummated), (ii) all costs, expenses, Taxes, assessments and other charges incurred by any Agent or any Lender in connection with any filing, registration, recording or perfection of any security interest contemplated by this Agreement or any Security Instrument or any other document referred to therein, (iii) all reasonable 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 (iv) all out-of-pocket expenses incurred by any Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender, including the reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of any counsel for any Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender, in connection with the enforcement or protection of its rights in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document, including its rights under this Section 12.03, or in connection with the Loans made or Letters of Credit issued

hereunder, including, without limitation, all such out-of-pocket expenses incurred during any workout, restructuring or negotiations in respect of such Loans or Letters of Credit, except in the case of out-of-pocket expenses described in this clause (iv) to the extent that Section 12.03(b) expressly provides that the Borrower shall not indemnify such party for such out-of-pocket expenses.

(b) THE BORROWER SHALL INDEMNIFY EACH AGENT, THE ARRANGERS, 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, 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 THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR ANY AGREEMENT OR INSTRUMENT CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (OTHER THAN EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS DATED OF EVEN DATE HEREWITH, WHICH EXPENSES SHALL ONLY BE PAID BY THE BORROWER TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED IN SECTION 12.03(a)), (ii) THE PERFORMANCE BY THE PARTIES HERETO OR THE PARTIES TO ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OF THEIR RESPECTIVE OBLIGATIONS HEREUNDER OR THEREUNDER OR THE CONSUMMATION OF THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR BY ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT, (iii) THE FAILURE OF THE PARENT, THE BORROWER OR ANY RESTRICTED SUBSIDIARY TO COMPLY WITH THE TERMS OF ANY LOAN DOCUMENT, INCLUDING THIS AGREEMENT, OR WITH ANY GOVERNMENTAL REQUIREMENT, (iv) ANY INACCURACY OF ANY REPRESENTATION OR ANY BREACH OF ANY WARRANTY OR COVENANT OF THE BORROWER OR ANY GUARANTOR SET FORTH IN ANY OF THE LOAN DOCUMENTS OR ANY INSTRUMENTS, DOCUMENTS OR CERTIFICATIONS DELIVERED IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, (v) ANY LOAN OR LETTER OF CREDIT OR THE USE OF THE PROCEEDS THEREFROM, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, (A) 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, OR (B) THE PAYMENT OF A DRAWING UNDER ANY LETTER OF CREDIT NOTWITHSTANDING THE NON-COMPLIANCE, NON-DELIVERY OR OTHER IMPROPER PRESENTATION OF THE DOCUMENTS PRESENTED IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, (vi) ANY OTHER ASPECT OF THE LOAN DOCUMENTS, (vii) THE OPERATIONS OF THE BUSINESS OF THE PARENT, THE BORROWER AND THEIR RESTRICTED SUBSIDIARIES BY THE PARENT, THE BORROWER AND THEIR RESTRICTED SUBSIDIARIES, (viii) ANY ASSERTION THAT THE LENDERS WERE NOT ENTITLED TO RECEIVE THE PROCEEDS RECEIVED PURSUANT TO THE SECURITY INSTRUMENTS, (ix) ANY ENVIRONMENTAL LAW APPLICABLE TO THE PARENT, THE BORROWER OR ANY SUBSIDIARY OR ANY OF THEIR PROPERTIES, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE PRESENCE, GENERATION, STORAGE, RELEASE, THREATENED RELEASE, USE, TRANSPORT, DISPOSAL, ARRANGEMENT OF DISPOSAL OR TREATMENT OF OIL, OIL AND GAS WASTES, SOLID WASTES OR

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ON ANY OF THEIR PROPERTIES, (x) THE BREACH OR NON-COMPLIANCE BY THE PARENT, THE BORROWER OR ANY SUBSIDIARY WITH ANY ENVIRONMENTAL LAW APPLICABLE TO THE PARENT, THE BORROWER OR ANY RESTRICTED SUBSIDIARY, (xi) THE PAST OWNERSHIP BY THE PARENT, THE BORROWER OR ANY SUBSIDIARY OF ANY OF THEIR PROPERTIES OR PAST ACTIVITY ON ANY OF THEIR PROPERTIES WHICH, THOUGH LAWFUL AND FULLY PERMISSIBLE AT THE TIME, COULD RESULT IN PRESENT LIABILITY, (xii) THE PRESENCE, USE, RELEASE, STORAGE, TREATMENT, DISPOSAL, GENERATION, THREATENED RELEASE, TRANSPORT, ARRANGEMENT FOR TRANSPORT OR ARRANGEMENT FOR DISPOSAL OF OIL, OIL AND GAS WASTES, SOLID WASTES OR HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ON OR AT ANY OF THE PROPERTIES OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE PARENT, THE BORROWER OR ANY RESTRICTED SUBSIDIARY OR ANY ACTUAL OR ALLEGED PRESENCE OR RELEASE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ON OR FROM ANY PROPERTY OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE PARENT, THE BORROWER OR ANY OF THEIR RESTRICTED SUBSIDIARIES, (xiii) ANY ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY RELATED IN ANY WAY TO THE PARENT, THE BORROWER OR ANY OF THEIR RESTRICTED SUBSIDIARIES, (xiv) ANY OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH OR SAFETY CONDITION IN CONNECTION WITH THE LOAN DOCUMENTS, OR (xv) ANY ACTUAL OR PROSPECTIVE CLAIM, LITIGATION, INVESTIGATION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO ANY OF THE FOREGOING, WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY AND REGARDLESS OF WHETHER ANY INDEMNITEE IS A PARTY THERETO, AND SUCH INDEMNITY SHALL EXTEND TO EACH INDEMNITEE NOTWITHSTANDING THE SOLE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE OF EVERY KIND OR CHARACTER WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING ITS OWN ORDINARY NEGLIGENCE, WHETHER ACTIVE OR PASSIVE, WHETHER AN AFFIRMATIVE ACT OR AN OMISSION, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, ALL TYPES OF NEGLIGENT CONDUCT IDENTIFIED IN THE RESTATEMENT (SECOND) OF TORTS OF ONE OR MORE OF THE INDEMNITEES OR BY REASON OF STRICT LIABILITY IMPOSED WITHOUT FAULT ON ANY ONE OR MORE OF THE INDEMNITEES; PROVIDED THAT SUCH INDEMNITY SHALL NOT, AS TO ANY INDEMNITEE, BE AVAILABLE TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH LOSSES, CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LIABILITIES OR RELATED EXPENSES ARE DETERMINED BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION BY FINAL AND NONAPPEALABLE JUDGMENT TO HAVE RESULTED FROM THE GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT OF SUCH INDEMNITEE; PROVIDED THAT THE BORROWER SHALL NOT INDEMNIFY ANY INDEMNITEE FOR (i) CLAIMS AMONG LENDERS OR BETWEEN LENDERS AND THEIR RELATED PARTIES (OTHER THAN SUCH CLAIMS AGAINST AN AGENT OR ARRANGER IN ITS CAPACITY AS SUCH) TO THE EXTENT NOT RELATED TO A BREACH OF AN OBLIGATION OF THE PARENT, THE BORROWER OR ANY SUBSIDIARY AND (iii) LOSSES, CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LIABILITIES OR RELATED EXPENSES THAT ARE DETERMINED BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION BY FINAL AND NONAPPEALABLE JUDGMENT TO BE A DIRECT RESULT OF A MATERIAL BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT MADE BY SUCH INDEMNITEE IN BAD FAITH.

(c) To the extent that the Borrower fails to pay any amount required to be paid by it to any Agent, the Arrangers or the Issuing Bank under Section 12.03(a) or (b), each Lender

severally agrees to pay to such Agent, the Arrangers or the Issuing Bank, 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; *provided* that the unreimbursed expense or indemnified loss, claim, damage, liability or related expense, as the case may be, was incurred by or asserted against such Agent, the Arrangers or the Issuing Bank in its capacity as such.

(d) To the extent permitted by applicable law, the Parent and the Borrower shall not assert, and hereby waive, any claim against any Indemnitee, 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.

(e) All amounts due under this Section 12.03 shall be payable not later than 10 days after written demand therefor.

#### Section 12.04 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) other than in connection with a transaction permitted under Section 9.10, the Borrower may not 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 the 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 12.04. 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 Section 12.04(c)) 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 Section 12.04(b)(ii), any Lender may assign to one or more assignees all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment and the Loans at the time owing to it) with the prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed) of:

(A) the Borrower, *provided* that no consent of the Borrower shall be required if such assignment is to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender, an Approved Fund, or, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, is to any other assignee; *provided*, *further*, that if at the end of fifteen (15) days after the Borrower has received a request for such approval, the Borrower has not communicated its approval or disapproval in writing to the Administrative Agent, such silence shall be deemed to be an approval of such assignment; and

(B) the Administrative Agent and each Issuing Bank; *provided* that no consent of the Administrative Agent shall be required for an assignment to an assignment to an assignment.

(ii) Assignments shall be subject to the following additional conditions:

(A) except in the case of an assignment to a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender or an assignment of the entire remaining amount of the assigning Lender's Commitment or Loans, 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 and the Administrative Agent otherwise consent, *provided* that no such consent of the Borrower 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;

(C) the parties to each assignment shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Assignment and Assumption, together with a processing and recordation fee of \$3,500;

(D) the assignee, if it shall not be a Lender, shall deliver to the Administrative Agent an Administrative Questionnaire; and

(E) no such assignment shall be made to (i) the Borrower or any of the Borrower's Subsidiaries or Affiliates, (ii) any Defaulting Lender or any of its Subsidiaries, or any Person who, upon becoming a Lender hereunder, would constitute any of the foregoing Persons described in this clause (ii), (iii) any natural Person (or a holding company, investment vehicle or trust for, or owned and operated for the primary benefit of, a natural Person), or (iv) any Industry Competitor.

(iii) Subject to Section 12.04(b)(iv) and the acceptance and recording thereof, 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 Section 5.01, Section 5.02, Section 12.03 and Section 12.03). Any assignment or transfer by a Lender of rights or obligations under this Agreement that does not comply with this Section 12.04 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 Section 12.04(c).

(iv) The Administrative Agent, acting for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrower, 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 (and stated interest) of the Loans and LC Disbursements owing to, each Lender pursuant to the terms hereof from time to time (the "<u>Register</u>"). The entries in the Register shall be conclusive (absent manifest error), and the Borrower, 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 Borrower, the Issuing Bank and any Lender, at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice. In connection with any changes to the Register, if necessary, the Administrative Agent will reflect the revisions on <u>Annex I</u> and forward a copy of such revised <u>Annex I</u> to the Borrower, the Issuing Bank and each Lender.

(v) Upon its receipt of a duly completed Assignment and Assumption executed by an assigning Lender and an assignee, the assignee's completed Administrative Questionnaire (unless the assignee shall already be a Lender hereunder), the processing and recordation fee referred to in Section 12.04(b) and any written consent to such assignment required by Section 12.04(b), the Administrative Agent shall accept such Assignment and Assumption and record the information contained therein in the Register. No assignment shall be effective for purposes of this Agreement unless it has been recorded in the Register as provided in this Section 12.04(b).

(c) (i) Any Lender may, without the consent of the Borrower, the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank, sell participations to one or more banks or other entities (a "Participant") 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 (A) such Lender's obligations under this Agreement shall remain unchanged, (B) such Lender shall remain solely responsible to the other parties hereto for the performance of such obligations, (C) the Borrower, 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, and (D) no such participation may be sold to a natural Person or an Industry Competitor. 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 proviso to Section 12.02 that affects such Participant. In addition such agreement must provide that the Participant be bound by the provisions of Section 12.03. Subject to Section 12.04(c)(ii), the Borrower agrees that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 5.01, Section 5.02 and Section 5.03 to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to Section 12.04(b). To the extent permitted by law, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 12.08 as though it were a Lender, provided such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 4.01(c) as though it were a Lender. Each Lender that sells a participation shall, acting solely for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrower, 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 the Loan Documents (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 any 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.103-1(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.

(i) A Participant shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment under Section 5.01 or Section 5.03 than the applicable Lender would have been entitled to receive with respect to the participation sold to such Participant, unless the sale of the participation to such Participant is made with the Borrower's prior written consent. A Participant that would be a Foreign Lender if it were a Lender shall not be entitled to the benefits of Section 5.03 unless the Borrower is notified of the participation sold to such Participant and such Participant agrees, for the benefit of the Borrower, to comply with Section 5.03(e) as though it were a Lender.

(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 or other central banking authority, and this Section 12.04(d) 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 pledge or assignee for such Lender as a party hereto.

(e) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section 12.04, no transfer or assignment of the interests or obligations of any Lender or any grant of participations therein shall be permitted if such transfer, assignment or grant would require the Borrower or any of the Restricted Subsidiaries to file a registration statement with the SEC or to qualify the Loans under the "Blue Sky" laws of any state.

# Section 12.05 Survival; Revival; Reinstatement.

(a) All covenants, agreements, representations and warranties made by the Borrower and the Guarantors herein 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 this Agreement 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, any other 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 (i) Section 5.01, Section 5.02, Section 5.03 and Article XI shall survive and remain in full force and effect for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days following the Maturity Date, (ii) Section 12.11 shall survive and remain in full force and effect for a period

not to exceed two (2) years after the Maturity Date, and (iii) Section 12.03 shall survive and remain in full force and effect, in each case, 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, any other Loan Document or any provision hereof or thereof.

(b) To the extent that any payments on the Indebtedness or proceeds of any Collateral are subsequently invalidated, declared to be fraudulent or preferential, set aside or required to be repaid to a trustee, debtor in possession, receiver or other Person under any bankruptcy law, common law or equitable cause, then to such extent, the Indebtedness so satisfied shall be revived and continue as if such payment or proceeds had not been received and the Administrative Agent's and the Lenders' Liens, security interests, rights, powers and remedies under this Agreement and each Loan Document shall continue in full force and effect. In such event, each Loan Document shall be automatically reinstated and the Parent and the Borrower shall take such action as may be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to effect such reinstatement.

# Section 12.06 Counterparts; Integration; Effectiveness.

(a) This Agreement 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.

(b) This Agreement, the other Loan Documents and any separate letter agreements with respect to fees payable to the Administrative Agent constitute the entire contract among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and thereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof and thereof. THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS REPRESENT THE FINAL AGREEMENT AMONG THE PARTIES HERETO AND THERETO 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) Except as provided in Section 6.01, 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. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement by facsimile or other electronic means shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement.

Section 12.07 <u>Severability</u>. Any provision of this Agreement 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 hereof or thereof; and the invalidity of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate such provision in any other jurisdiction.

Section 12.08 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, but excluding (i) deposits utilized to fund payroll, employee benefits or tax obligations of the Credit Parties and (ii) funds held in fiduciary, trust or escrow accounts) at any time held and other obligations (of whatsoever kind, including, without limitations obligations under Swap Agreements) at any time owing by such Lender or Affiliate to or for the credit or the account of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary against any of and all the obligations of the Parent, the Borrower, or any Restricted Subsidiary owed to such Lender now or hereafter existing under this Agreement or any other Loan Document, irrespective of whether or not such Lender shall have made any demand under this Agreement or any other Loan Document and although such obligations may be unmatured. The rights of each Lender under this Section 12.08 are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of setoff) which such Lender or its Affiliates may have; provided that in the event that any Defaulting Lender shall exercise any such right of setoff, (x) all amounts so set off shall be paid over immediately to the Administrative Agent for further application in accordance with the provisions of Section 10.02(c) and, pending such payment, shall be segregated by such Defaulting Lender from its other funds and deemed held in trust for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders, and (y) the Defaulting Lender shall provide promptly to the Administrative Agent a statement describing in reasonable detail the Indebtedness owing to such Defaulting Lender as to which it exercised such right of setoff. The rights of each Lender, the Issuing Bank and their respective Affiliates under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of setoff) that such Lender, the Issuing Bank or their respective Affiliates may have. Each Lender and the Issuing Bank agrees to notify the Borrower and the Administrative Agent promptly after any such setoff and application; provided that the failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of such setoff and application.

## Section 12.09 GOVERNING LAW; JURISDICTION; CONSENT TO SERVICE OF PROCESS.

(a) THIS AGREEMENT AND THE NOTES SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT UNITED STATES FEDERAL LAW PERMITS ANY LENDER TO CONTRACT FOR, CHARGE, RECEIVE, RESERVE OR TAKE INTEREST AT THE RATE ALLOWED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE WHERE SUCH LENDER IS LOCATED.

(b) ANY LEGAL ACTION OR PROCEEDING WITH RESPECT TO THE LOAN DOCUMENTS SHALL BE BROUGHT IN THE COURTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK OR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, AND, BY EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THIS AGREEMENT, EACH PARTY HEREBY ACCEPTS FOR ITSELF AND (TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW) IN RESPECT OF ITS PROPERTY, GENERALLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY, THE JURISDICTION OF THE AFORESAID COURTS. EACH PARTY HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY OBJECTION, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY OBJECTION TO THE LAYING OF VENUE OR BASED ON THE GROUNDS OF FORUM NON CONVENIENS, WHICH IT MAY NOW OR HEREAFTER HAVE TO THE BRINGING OF

ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING IN SUCH RESPECTIVE JURISDICTIONS. THIS SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION IS NON-EXCLUSIVE AND DOES NOT PRECLUDE A PARTY FROM OBTAINING JURISDICTION OVER ANOTHER PARTY IN ANY COURT OTHERWISE HAVING JURISDICTION.

(c) EACH PARTY IRREVOCABLY CONSENTS TO THE SERVICE OF PROCESS OF ANY OF THE AFOREMENTIONED COURTS IN ANY SUCH ACTION OR PROCEEDING BY THE MAILING OF COPIES THEREOF BY REGISTERED OR CERTIFIED MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID, TO IT AT THE ADDRESS SPECIFIED IN Section 12.01 OR SUCH OTHER ADDRESS AS IS SPECIFIED PURSUANT TO Section 12.01 (OR ITS ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION), SUCH SERVICE TO BECOME EFFECTIVE THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER SUCH MAILING. NOTHING HEREIN SHALL AFFECT THE RIGHT OF A PARTY OR ANY HOLDER OF A NOTE TO SERVE PROCESS IN ANY OTHER MANNER PERMITTED BY LAW OR TO COMMENCE LEGAL PROCEEDINGS OR OTHERWISE PROCEED AGAINST ANOTHER PARTY IN ANY OTHER JURISDICTION.

(d) EACH PARTY HEREBY (i) IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL ACTION OR PROCEEDING RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT AND FOR ANY COUNTERCLAIM THEREIN; (ii) IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT NOT PROHIBITED BY LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO CLAIM OR RECOVER IN ANY SUCH LITIGATION ANY SPECIAL, EXEMPLARY, PUNITIVE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, OR DAMAGES OTHER THAN, OR IN ADDITION TO, ACTUAL DAMAGES; *PROVIDED* THAT NOTHING CONTAINED IN THIS SECTION 12.09(d)(ii)) SHALL LIMIT THE BORROWER'S INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS TO THE EXTENT SET FORTH IN SECTION 12.03 TO THE EXTENT SUCH SPECIAL, EXEMPLARY, PUNITIVE OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES ARE INCLUDED IN ANY THIRD PARTY CLAIM IN CONNECTION WITH WHICH SUCH INDEMNITEE IS OTHERWISE ENTITLED TO INDEMNIFICATION HEREUNDER; (iii) CERTIFIES THAT NO PARTY HERETO NOR ANY REPRESENTATIVE OR AGENT OF COUNSEL FOR ANY PARTY HERETO HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, OR IMPLIED THAT SUCH PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVERS, AND (iv) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT, THE LOAN DOCUMENTS AND THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY AND THEREBY BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS CONTAINED IN THIS SECTION 12.09.

Section 12.10 <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 12.11 <u>Confidentiality</u>. 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 regulatory authority (including any self-regulatory authority), (c) to the extent required by applicable laws or regulations or by any subpoena or similar legal process, (d) to any other party to this Agreement or any other Loan Document, (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 12.11, to (i) any assignee of or Participant in, or any prospective assignee of or Participant in, any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement or (ii) any actual or prospective counterparty (or its advisors) to any Swap Agreement relating to the Parent or the Borrower and its obligations, (g) with the consent of the Borrower, (h) to any nationally recognized rating agency that requires access to information about a Lender's investment portfolio in connection with ratings issued with respect to such Lender or to any collector of market data or (i) to the extent such Information (i) becomes publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section 12.11 or (ii) becomes available to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender on a nonconfidential basis from a source other than the Parent or the Borrower. For the purposes of this Section 12.11, "Information" means all information received from the Parent, the Borrower or any Subsidiary relating to the Parent, the Borrower or any Subsidiary and their businesses, other than any such information that is available to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender on a nonconfidential basis prior to disclosure by the Parent, the Borrower or a Subsidiary; provided that, in the case of information received from the Parent, the Borrower or any Subsidiary 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 12.11 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. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, "Information" shall not include, and the Borrower, the Borrower's Subsidiaries, the Administrative Agent, each Lender and the respective Affiliates of each of the foregoing (and the respective partners, directors, officers, employees, agents, advisors and other representatives of the aforementioned Persons), and any other party, may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind (A) any information with respect to the United States federal and state income tax treatment of the transactions contemplated hereby and any facts that may be relevant to understanding the United States federal or state income tax treatment of such transactions ("tax structure"), which facts shall not include for this purpose the names of the parties or any other person named herein, or information that would permit identification of the parties or such other persons, or any pricing terms or other nonpublic business or financial information that is unrelated to such tax treatment or tax structure, and (B) all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to the Borrower, the Administrative Agent or such Lender relating to such tax treatment or tax structure.

Section 12.12 Interest Rate Limitation. It is the intention of the parties hereto that each Lender shall conform strictly to usury laws applicable to it. Accordingly, if the transactions contemplated hereby would be usurious as to any Lender under laws applicable to it (including the laws of the United States of America and the State of Texas or any other jurisdiction whose laws may be mandatorily applicable to such Lender notwithstanding the other provisions of this Agreement), then, in that event, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any of the Loan Documents or any agreement entered into in connection with or as security for the Notes, it is

agreed as follows: (a) the aggregate of all consideration which constitutes interest under law applicable to any Lender that is contracted for, taken, reserved, charged or received by such Lender under any of the Loan Documents or agreements or otherwise in connection with the Notes shall under no circumstances exceed the maximum amount allowed by such applicable law, and any excess shall be canceled automatically and if theretofore paid shall be credited by such Lender on the principal amount of the Indebtedness (or, to the extent that the principal amount of the Indebtedness shall have been or would thereby be paid in full, refunded by such Lender to the Borrower); and (b) in the event that the maturity of the Notes is accelerated by reason of an election of the holder thereof resulting from any Event of Default under this Agreement or otherwise, or in the event of any required or permitted prepayment, then such consideration that constitutes interest under law applicable to any Lender may never include more than the maximum amount allowed by such applicable law, and excess interest, if any, provided for in this Agreement or otherwise shall be canceled automatically by such Lender as of the date of such acceleration or prepayment and, if theretofore paid, shall be credited by such Lender on the principal amount of the Indebtedness (or, to the extent that the principal amount of the Indebtedness shall have been or would thereby be paid in full, refunded by such Lender to the Borrower). All sums paid or agreed to be paid to any Lender for the use, forbearance or detention of sums due hereunder shall, to the extent permitted by law applicable to such Lender, be amortized, prorated, allocated and spread throughout the stated term of the Loans evidenced by the Notes until payment in full so that the rate or amount of interest on account of any Loans hereunder does not exceed the maximum amount allowed by such applicable law. If at any time and from time to time (i) the amount of interest payable to any Lender on any date shall be computed at the Highest Lawful Rate applicable to such Lender pursuant to this Section 12.12 and (ii) in respect of any subsequent interest computation period the amount of interest otherwise payable to such Lender would be less than the amount of interest payable to such Lender computed at the Highest Lawful Rate applicable to such Lender, then the amount of interest payable to such Lender in respect of such subsequent interest computation period shall continue to be computed at the Highest Lawful Rate applicable to such Lender until the total amount of interest payable to such Lender shall equal the total amount of interest which would have been payable to such Lender if the total amount of interest had been computed without giving effect to this Section 12.12. To the extent that Chapter 303 of the Texas Finance Code is relevant for the purpose of determining the Highest Lawful Rate applicable to a Lender, such Lender elects to determine the applicable rate ceiling under such Chapter by the weekly ceiling from time to time in effect. Chapter 346 of the Texas Finance Code does not apply to the Borrower's obligations hereunder.

Section 12.13 EXCULPATION PROVISIONS. EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO SPECIFICALLY AGREES THAT IT HAS A DUTY TO READ THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS AND AGREES THAT IT IS CHARGED WITH NOTICE AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS; THAT IT HAS IN FACT READ THIS AGREEMENT AND IS FULLY INFORMED AND HAS FULL NOTICE AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE TERMS, CONDITIONS AND EFFECTS OF THIS AGREEMENT; THAT IT HAS BEEN REPRESENTED BY INDEPENDENT LEGAL COUNSEL OF ITS CHOICE THROUGHOUT THE NEGOTIATIONS PRECEDING ITS EXECUTION OF THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS; AND HAS RECEIVED THE ADVICE OF ITS ATTORNEY IN ENTERING INTO THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS; AND THAT IT RECOGNIZES THAT CERTAIN OF THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT AND

THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS RESULT IN ONE PARTY ASSUMING THE LIABILITY INHERENT IN SOME ASPECTS OF THE TRANSACTION AND RELIEVING THE OTHER PARTY OF ITS RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUCH LIABILITY. EACH PARTY HERETO AGREES AND COVENANTS THAT IT WILL NOT CONTEST THE VALIDITY OR ENFORCEABILITY OF ANY EXCULPATORY PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT AND THE OTHER LOAN DOCUMENTS ON THE BASIS THAT THE PARTY HAD NO NOTICE OR KNOWLEDGE OF SUCH PROVISION OR THAT THE PROVISION IS NOT "CONSPICUOUS."

# Section 12.14 Collateral Matters; Swap Agreements.

(a) The benefit of the Security Instruments and of the provisions of this Agreement relating to any Collateral securing the Indebtedness shall also extend to and be available to the Cash Management Providers and the Secured Swap Parties on a pro rata basis (but subject to the terms of the Loan Documents, including, without limitation, provisions thereof relating to the application and priority of payments to the Persons entitled thereto) in respect of any obligations of the Parent, the Borrower or any of its Subsidiaries which arise under Secured Swap Agreements. No Secured Swap Party shall have any voting rights under any Loan Document as a result of the existence of obligations owed to it under any such Swap Agreements.

(b) The Borrower hereby guarantees the payment and performance of all Indebtedness of each other Credit Party and absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably undertakes to provide such funds or other support as may be needed from time to time by each Benefiting Guarantor in order for such Benefiting Guarantor to honor its obligations under the Guaranty and Security Agreement and any other Security Instruments including obligations with respect to Swap Agreements (provided, however, that the Borrower shall only be liable under this Section 12.14(b) for the maximum amount of such liability that can be hereby incurred without rendering its obligations under this Section 12.14(b), or otherwise under this Agreement or any other Loan Document, as it relates to such Benefiting Guarantor, voidable under applicable law relating to fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer, and not for any greater amount). The obligations of Borrower under this Section 12.14(b) shall remain in full force and effect until all Indebtedness is paid in full, and all of the Lenders' Commitments are terminated. The Borrower intends that this Section 12.14(b) constitute, and this Section 12.14(b) shall be deemed to constitute, a "keepwell, support, or other agreement" for the benefit of each Benefiting Guarantor for all purposes of Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

Section 12.15 <u>No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. This Agreement, the other Loan Documents, and the agreement of the Lenders to make Loans and the Issuing Bank to issue, amend, renew or extend Letters of Credit hereunder are solely for the benefit of the Borrower, and no other Person (including, without limitation, any Subsidiary of the Borrower, any obligor, contractor, subcontractor, supplier or materialsman) shall have any rights, claims, remedies or privileges hereunder or under any other Loan Document against the Administrative Agent, any other Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender for any reason whatsoever. There are no third party beneficiaries.

Section 12.16 <u>USA PATRIOT Act Notice</u>. Each Lender hereby notifies the Parent, the Borrower, and each Restricted Subsidiary that pursuant to the requirements of the USA PATRIOT Act, it is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies the Parent, the Borrower,

and each Restricted Subsidiary, which information includes the name, tax identification number and address of the Parent and the Borrower and other information that will allow such Lender to identify the Parent and the Borrower in accordance with the USA PATRIOT Act.

Section 12.17 <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, to the extent such liability is unsecured, 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 undertaking, 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.

Section 12.18 <u>No Advisory or Fiduciary Responsibility</u>. In connection with all aspects of each transaction contemplated hereby (including in connection with any amendment, waiver or other modification hereof or of any other Loan Document), each of the Parent and the Borrower acknowledges and agrees, and acknowledges its Subsidiaries' understanding, that: (a) (i) no fiduciary, advisory or agency relationship between the Parent, the Borrower and their respective Subsidiaries and the Administrative Agent or any Lender is intended to be or has been created in respect of the transactions contemplated hereby or by the other Loan Documents, irrespective of whether the Administrative Agent or any Lender has advised or is advising the Parent, the Borrower or any Subsidiary on other matters; (ii) the arranging and other services regarding this Agreement provided by the Administrative Agent and the Lenders are arm's-length commercial transactions between the Parent, the Borrower and their Subsidiaries, on the one hand, and the Administrative Agent and the Lenders, on the other hand; (iii) each of the Parent and the Borrower has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent that it has deemed appropriate; and (iv) each of the Parent and the Borrower is capable of evaluating, and understands and accepts, the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated hereby and by the other Loan Documents; and (b) (i) the Administrative Agent and the Lenders each is and has been acting solely as a principal and, except as expressly agreed in writing by the relevant parties, has not been, is not, and will not be acting as an advisor, agent or fiduciary for the Parent, the Borrower

or any of their Subsidiaries, or any other Person; (ii) neither the Administrative Agent nor the Lenders has any obligation to the Parent, the Borrower or any of their Subsidiaries with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby except those obligations expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents; and (iii) the Administrative Agent and the Lenders and their respective Affiliates may be engaged, for their own accounts or the accounts of customers, in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Parent, the Borrower and their Subsidiaries, and neither the Administrative Agent nor the Lenders has any obligation to disclose any of such interests to the Parent, the Borrower or their respective Subsidiaries. To the fullest extent permitted by Governmental Requirements, each of the Parent and the Borrower hereby agrees and acknowledges that it will not assert any claims that it may have against the Administrative Agent and the Lenders with respect to any breach or alleged breach of agency or fiduciary duty in connection with any aspect of any transaction contemplated hereby.

[*Remainder of page intentionally left blank; signature pages follow*]

The parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.

BORROWER:

# PARENT:

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM OPERATING LLC

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

Name: Teresa L. Dick Title: Chief Financial Officer, Executive Vice President and Assistant Secretary

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

By: Rattler Midstream GP LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

Name: Teresa L. Dick

Title: Chief Financial Officer, Executive Vice President and Assistant Secretary

Signature Page to Credit Agreement – Rattler Midstream Operating LLC ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT, ISSUING BANK AND LENDER: WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Administrative Agent, Issuing Bank and as a Lender

By:/s/ Andrew OstrovName:Andrew OstrovTitle:Director

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.

By: /s/ Ronald E. McKaig

Name: Ronald E. McKaig Title: Managing Director

# CREDIT SUISSE AG, CAYMAN ISLANDS BRANCH

By: /s/ Nupar Kumar

Name: Nupar Kumar Title: Authorized Signatory

By: /s/ Christopher Zybrick

Name:Christopher ZybrickTitle:Authorized Signatory

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.

By: /s/ David M. Morris

Name: David M. Morris Title: Authorized Officer

CITIBANK, N.A.

By: /s/ Jeff Ard

Name: Jeff Ard Title: Vice President

PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: /s/ Sandra Salazar

Name: Sandra Salazar Title: Managing Director

BARCLAYS BANK PLC

By: /s/ Sydney G. Dennis

Name: Sydney G. Dennis Title: Director

CAPITAL ONE, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: /s/ Christopher Kuna

Name: Christopher Kuna Title: Director

SUNTRUST BANK

By: /s/ Nick Rolf

Name: Nick Rolf Title: Vice President

THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA, HOUSTON BRANCH

By: /s/ Ryan Knape

Name: Ryan Knape Title: Director

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

By: /s/ Bruce E. Hernandez

Name:Bruce E. HernandezTitle:Senior Vice President

GOLDMAN SACHS BANK USA

By:/s/ Ryan DurkinName:Ryan DurkinTitle:Authorized Signatory

# ANNEX I LIST OF COMMITMENTS

Name of Lender	Applicable Percentage	Commitment
Wells Fargo Bank, National Association	10.41666667%	\$62,500,000.00
Bank of America, N.A.	10.41666667%	\$62,500,000.00
Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch	10.41666667%	\$62,500,000.00
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	10.41666667%	\$62,500,000.00
Citibank, N.A.	9.166666667%	\$55,000,000.00
PNC Bank, National Association	9.166666667%	\$55,000,000.00
Barclays Bank PLC	6.666666667%	\$40,000,000.00
Capital One, National Association	6.666666667%	\$40,000,000.00
Suntrust Bank	6.666666667%	\$40,000,000.00
The Bank of Nova Scotia, Houston Branch	6.666666667%	\$40,000,000.00
U.S. Bank National Association	6.666666667%	\$40,000,000.00
Goldman Sachs Bank USA	6.666666667%	\$40,000,000.00
TOTAL	100.000000000%	\$ 600,000,000

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# ANNEX II LIST OF INDIVIDUAL LC COMMITMENTS

Name of Issuing Bank	Individua	Individual LC Commitment	
Wells Fargo Bank, National Association	\$	37,500,000	
Bank of America, N.A.	\$	37,500,000	
Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch	\$	37,500,000	
JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.	\$	37,500,000	
TOTAL	\$	150,000,000	

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# RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

1. <u>Purpose of the Plan</u>. The Rattler Midstream LP Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "*Plan*") has been adopted effective as of May 22, 2019 (the "*Effective Date*") by Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, the general partner ("*General Partner*") of Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "*Partnership*"). The Plan is intended to promote the interests of the General Partner, the Partnership and their Affiliates by providing to Employees, Consultants and Directors who perform services for the Partnership and its subsidiaries incentive compensation awards to encourage superior performance. The Plan is also contemplated to enhance the ability of the General Partner, the Partnership and their Affiliates to attract and retain the services of individuals who are essential for the growth and profitability of the Partnership and to encourage them to devote their best efforts to advancing the business of the Partnership.

2. <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of the Plan, capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth below:

(a) **"409A** *Award*" means an Award that constitutes a "deferral of compensation" within the meaning of the 409A Regulations, whether by design, due to a subsequent modification in the terms and conditions of such Award or as a result of a change in applicable law following the date of grant of such Award, and that is not exempt from Section 409A of the Code pursuant to an applicable exemption.

(b) *"409A Regulations"* means the applicable Treasury regulations and other interpretive guidance promulgated pursuant to Section 409A of the Code.

(c) "*Affiliate*" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries controls, is controlled by or is under common control with, the Person in question. As used herein, the term "control" means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

(d) "*Award*" means an Option, Unit Appreciation Right, Restricted Unit, Phantom Unit, Unit Award, Substitute Award, Other Unit Based Award, Cash Award, Distribution Equivalent Right (whether granted alone or in tandem with respect to another Award other than a Restricted Unit or Unit Award) or Performance Award, in each case, granted under the Plan.

- (e) "Award Agreement" means the written or electronic agreement by which an Award shall be evidenced.
- (f) "Board" means the Board of Directors of the General Partner.
- (g) "Cash Award" means an Award denominated in cash granted under Section 6(f) hereof.

(h) "*Change of Control*" means, and shall be deemed to have occurred upon, one or more of the following events, except as otherwise provided in an Award Agreement:

(1) with respect to the General Partner or the Partnership:

(i) any "person" or "group" within the meaning of those terms as used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act, other than members, limited partners or other owners (as applicable) of the General Partner, the Partnership, or an Affiliate of either the General Partner or the Partnership, shall become the beneficial owner, by way of merger, consolidation, recapitalization, reorganization or otherwise, of 50% or more of the voting power of the voting securities of the General Partner or the Partnership;

(ii) the members or limited partners (as applicable) of the General Partner or the Partnership approve, in one transaction or a series of transactions, a plan of complete liquidation of the General Partner or the Partnership;

(iii) the sale or other disposition by either the General Partner or the Partnership of all or substantially all of its assets in one or more transactions to any Person other than an Affiliate; or

(iv) the General Partner or an Affiliate of the General Partner or the Partnership ceases to be the general partner of the Partnership; or

(2) so long as Diamondback Energy, Inc. ("Diamondback") is the sole member of the General Partner, a "Change in Control" as defined in the Diamondback 2012 Equity Incentive Plan, as such plan may be amended or superseded from time to time.

Notwithstanding the above, with respect to a 409A Award, a "Change of Control" with respect to a Participant for purposes of triggering the exercisability, settlement, or other payment or distribution of such 409A Award shall not occur unless that Change of Control of the General Partner, the Partnership or Diamondback also constitutes a "change in the ownership of a corporation," a "change in the effective control of a corporation," or a "change in the ownership of a substantial portion of a corporation's assets," in each case, within the meaning of 1.409A-3(i)(5) of the 409A Regulations (including without limitation 1.409A-3(i)(5)(ii)), as applied (with respect to the General Partner or the Partnership) to non-corporate entities.

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

(j) "*Committee*" means the Board or such committee as may be appointed by the Board to administer the Plan; provided, that, unless otherwise determined by the Board, the Committee shall consist solely of two or more directors, each of whom shall be a "nonemployee director" within the meaning of Rule 16b-3(b)(3).

(k) "*Consultant*" means an individual who renders consulting or advisory services to the General Partner, the Partnership or an Affiliate of either.

(1) "Continuous Service" means that the Participant's service with the Company or an Affiliate, whether as an Employee, Director or Consultant, is not interrupted or terminated. The Participant's Continuous Service will not be deemed to have terminated merely because of a change in the capacity in which the Participant renders service to the General Partner, the Partnership or an Affiliate as an Employee, Consultant or Director or a change in the entity for which the Participant renders such service, so long as there is no interruption or termination of the Participant's Continuous Service. For example, a change in status from an Employee of the Company to a Consultant of an Affiliate or a Director will not constitute an interruption of Continuous Service. The Committee or its delegate, in its sole discretion, may determine whether Continuous Service will be considered interrupted in the case of any leave of absence approved by that party, including sick leave, military leave or any other personal or family leave of absence.

(m) "*Director*" means a member of the Board or the board of directors of an Affiliate of the General Partner who is not an Employee or a Consultant (other than in that individual's capacity as a Director).

(n) "*Distribution Equivalent Right*" or "*DER*" means a contingent right, granted alone or in tandem with a specific Award (other than a Restricted Unit or Unit Award) under Section 6(g) hereof, to receive with respect to each Unit subject to the Award an amount in cash, Units and/or Phantom Units, as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion, equal in value to the distributions made by the Partnership with respect to a Unit during the period such Award is outstanding.

(o) *"Employee"* means an employee of the General Partner or an Affiliate of the General Partner. An employee on leave of absence may be considered as still in the employ of the General Partner or an Affiliate of the General Partner for purposes of eligibility for participation in this Plan.

(p) "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

(q) "*Fair Market Value*" means, on any relevant date, the closing sales price of a Unit on the principal national securities exchange or other market in which trading in Units occurs (or, if there is no trading in the Units on such date, on the next preceding day on which there was trading) as reported in The Wall Street Journal (or other reporting service approved by the Committee). If Units are not traded on a national securities exchange or other market at the time a determination of Fair Market Value is required to be made hereunder, the determination of Fair Market Value shall be made by the Committee in good faith using a "reasonable application of a reasonable valuation method" within the meaning of the 409A Regulations (specifically, §1.409A-l(b)(5)(iv)(B) of the 409A Regulations).

(r) "Option" means a right, granted under Section 6(b) hereof, to purchase Units at a specified price during specified time periods.

(s) "Other Unit Based Award" means an Award granted under Section 6(f) hereof that may be denominated or payable in, valued in whole or in part by reference to, or otherwise based on or related to, Units.

(t) "**Participant**" means a Person who has been granted an Award under the Plan that remains outstanding, including a Person who is no longer an Employee, Consultant or Director.

(u) "*Performance Award*" means a right granted under Section 6(i) hereof to receive an Award based upon performance conditions specified by the Committee.

(v) "*Person*" means an individual or a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, unincorporated organization, association, governmental agency or political subdivision thereof or other entity.

(w) "*Phantom Unit*" means a notional Unit granted under Section 6(d) hereof which upon vesting entitles the Participant to receive, at the time of settlement (which may or may not be coterminous with the vesting schedule of the Award), a Unit or an amount of cash equal to the Fair Market Value of a Unit, as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion.

(x) "*Restricted Period*" means the period established by the Committee with respect to an Award during which the Award remains subject to forfeiture and is either not exercisable by or payable to the Participant, as the case may be.

(y) "*Restricted Unit*" means a Unit granted under Section 6(d) hereof that is subject to a Restricted Period.

(z) "*Rule 16b-3*" means Rule 16b-3 promulgated by the SEC under Section 16 of the Exchange Act or any successor rule or regulation thereto as in effect from time to time.

(aa) "SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any successor thereto.

(bb) "*Substitute Award*" means an Award granted under Section 6(h) hereof in substitution for a similar award as a result of certain business transactions.

(cc) "Unit Distribution Right" or "UDR" means a distribution made by the Partnership with respect to a Restricted Unit.

(dd) "Unit" means a common unit of the Partnership and such other securities as may be substituted or resubstituted for common units pursuant to Section 7.

(ee) "*Unit Appreciation Right*" or "*UAR*" means a contingent right granted under Section 6(c) hereof that entitles the holder to receive, in cash or Units, as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion, an amount equal to the excess of the Fair Market Value of a Unit on the exercise date of the Unit Appreciation Right (or another specified date) over the exercise price of the Unit Appreciation Right.

(ff) "Unit Award" means a grant under Section 6(e) hereof of a Unit that is not subject to a Restricted Period.

## 3. Administration.

(a) <u>Authority of the Committee</u>. The Plan shall be administered by the Committee except to the extent the Board elects to administer this Plan, in which case references herein to the "Committee" shall be deemed to include references to the "Board." A majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum, and the acts of the members of the Committee who are present at any meeting thereof at which a quorum is present, or acts unanimously approved by the members of the Committee in writing, shall be the acts of the Committee. Subject to the terms of the Plan and applicable law, and in addition to other express powers and authorizations conferred on the Committee by the Plan, the Committee shall have full power and authority to: (i) designate Employees, Consultants and Directors as Participants; (ii) determine the type or types of Awards to be granted to a Participant; (iii) determine the number of Units to be covered by Awards; (iv) determine the terms and conditions of any Award, consistent with the terms of the Plan, which terms may include any provision regarding the acceleration of vesting or waiver of forfeiture restrictions or any other condition or limitation regarding an Award, based on such factors as the Committee shall determine, in its sole discretion; (v) determine whether, to what extent, and under what circumstances Awards may be vested, settled, exercised, canceled, or forfeited; (vi) interpret and administer the Plan and any instrument or agreement relating to an Award made under the Plan; (vii) establish, amend, suspend, or waive such rules and regulations and delegate to and appoint such agents as it shall deem appropriate for the proper administration of the Plan; and (viii) make any other determination and take any other action that the Committee deems necessary or desirable for the administration of the Plan. The Committee may correct any defect or supply any omission or reconcile any inconsistency in the Plan or an Award Agreement in such manner and to such extent as the Committee deems necessary or appropriate. Unless otherwise expressly provided in the Plan, all designations, determinations, interpretations, and other decisions under or with respect to the Plan or any Award shall be within the sole discretion of the Committee, may be made at any time and shall be final, conclusive, and binding upon all Persons, including, without limitation, the General Partner, the Partnership, any Affiliate, any Participant, and any beneficiary of a Participant. The express grant of any specific power to the Committee, and the taking of any action by the Committee, shall not be construed as limiting the power or authority of the Committee. Subject to the Plan and any applicable law, the Committee, in its sole discretion, may delegate any or all of its powers and duties under the Plan, including the power to grant Awards under the Plan, to the Chief Executive Officer of the General Partner, subject to such limitations on such delegated powers and duties as the Committee may impose, if any, and provided that the Committee may not delegate its duties where such delegation would violate any applicable law, or with respect to making Awards to, or otherwise with respect to Awards granted to, Participants who are subject to Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act. Upon any such delegation, all references in the Plan to the "Committee," other than in Section 7, shall be deemed to include the Chief Executive Officer. Any such delegation shall not limit the Chief Executive Officer's right to receive Awards under the Plan.

(b) <u>Limitation of Liability</u>. The Committee and each member thereof shall be entitled to, in good faith, rely or act upon any report or other information furnished to him or her by any officer or employee of the General Partner, the Partnership or their Affiliates, the General Partner's or the Partnership's legal counsel, independent auditors, consultants or any other agents

assisting in the administration of the Plan. Members of the Committee and any officer or employee of the General Partner, the Partnership or any of their Affiliates acting at the direction or on behalf of the Committee shall not be personally liable for any action or determination taken or made in good faith with respect to this Plan, and shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be indemnified and held harmless by the General Partner with respect to any such action or determination.

(c) <u>Exemptions from Section 16(b) Liability</u>. It is the intent of the General Partner that the grant of any Awards to, or other transaction by, a Participant who is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act shall be exempt from Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act pursuant to Rule 16b-3 or another applicable exemption (except for transactions acknowledged by the Participant in writing to be non-exempt). Accordingly, if any provision of the Plan or any Award Agreement does not comply with the requirements of Rule 16b-3 or such other exemption as then applicable to any such transaction, such provision shall be construed or deemed amended to the extent necessary to conform to the applicable requirements of Rule 16b-3 or such other exemption.

#### 4. <u>Units</u>.

(a) Limits on Units Deliverable. Subject to adjustment as provided in Section 4(c) and Section 7, the number of Units that may be delivered with respect to Awards under the Plan will not exceed 15,151,515. Units withheld from an Award or surrendered by a Participant to satisfy the Partnership's or an Affiliate's tax withholding obligations (including the withholding of Units with respect to Restricted Units) or to satisfy the payment of any exercise price with respect to the Award shall not be considered to be Units delivered under the Plan for this purpose. If any Award is forfeited, cancelled, exercised, settled in cash, or otherwise terminates or expires without the actual delivery of Units pursuant to such Award (the grant of Restricted Units is not a delivery of Units for this purpose), the Units subject to such Award shall again be available for Awards under the Plan (including Units not delivered in connection with the exercise of an Option or Unit Appreciation Right). There shall not be any limitation on the number of Awards that may be granted and paid in cash. No Award may be granted if the number of Units to be delivered in connection with such Award exceeds the number of Units remaining available under this Plan minus the number of Units issuable in settlement of or relating to then-outstanding Awards.

(b) <u>Sources of Units Deliverable Under Awards</u>. Any Units delivered pursuant to an Award may consist, in whole or in part, of newly issued Units, Units acquired in the open market, from any Affiliate, the Partnership or any other Person, or any combination of the foregoing, as determined by the Committee in its discretion.

(c) <u>Anti-dilution Adjustments</u>. Notwithstanding anything contained in Section 7, with respect to any "equity restructuring" event that could result in an additional compensation expense to the General Partner or the Partnership pursuant to the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board, Accounting Standards Codification, Topic 718—Stock Compensation ("*ASC 718*") if adjustments to Awards with respect to such event were discretionary, the Committee shall equitably adjust the number and type of Units covered by each outstanding Award and the terms and conditions, including the exercise price and performance criteria (if any), of such Award to equitably reflect such restructuring event and shall adjust the

number and type of Units (or other securities or property) with respect to which Awards may be granted after such event. With respect to any other similar event that would not result in an accounting charge under ASC 718 if the adjustment to Awards with respect to such event were subject to discretionary action, the Committee shall have complete discretion to adjust Awards in such manner as it deems appropriate with respect to such other event. In the event the Committee makes any adjustment pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this Section 4(c), the Committee shall make a corresponding and proportionate adjustment with respect to the maximum number of Units that may be delivered with respect to Awards under the Plan as provided in Section 4(a) and the kind of Units or other securities available for grant under the Plan.

5. <u>Eligibility</u>. Any Employee, Consultant or Director, in each case, who provides services to the Partnership and/or its subsidiaries shall be eligible to be designated a Participant and receive an Award under the Plan. If the Units issuable pursuant to an Award are intended to be registered with the SEC on Form S-8, then only "employees," "consultants," and "directors" of the Partnership or a parent or subsidiary of the Partnership (within the meaning of General Instruction A.1(a) to Form S-8) will be eligible to receive such an Award.

#### 6. Awards.

(a) <u>General</u>. Awards may be granted on the terms and conditions set forth in this Section 6. In addition, the Committee may impose on any Award or the exercise thereof, at the date of grant or thereafter (subject to Section 7(a)), such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan, as the Committee shall determine, including terms permitting a Participant to make elections relating to his or her Award. Subject to Section 7(a), the Committee shall retain full power and discretion to accelerate, waive or modify, at any time, any term or condition of an Award that is not mandatory under the Plan.

(b) <u>Options</u>. The Committee may grant Options to any eligible Employee, Consultant or Director. The Committee shall have the authority to determine the number of Units to be covered by each Option, the purchase price therefor and the Restricted Period and other conditions and limitations applicable to the exercise of the Option, including the following terms and conditions and such additional terms and conditions, as the Committee shall determine, that are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan.

(1) <u>Exercise Price</u>. The exercise price per Unit purchasable under an Option shall be determined by the Committee at the time the Option is granted but, except with respect to Substitute Awards, may not be less than the Fair Market Value of a Unit as of the date of grant of the Option. For purposes of this Section 6(b)(1), the Fair Market Value of a Unit shall be determined as of the date of grant.

(2) <u>Time and Method of Exercise</u>. The Committee shall determine the exercise terms and the Restricted Period with respect to an Option grant, which may include, without limitation, a provision for accelerated vesting upon the achievement of specified performance conditions or other events, and the method or methods by which payment of the exercise price with respect thereto may be made or deemed to have been made, which may include, without limitation, (A) cash (including by certified check, bank

draft or money order, or wire transfer of immediately available funds) at the time the Option is exercised; or (B) in the Committee's discretion and on such terms as the Committee approves: (1) by delivering or constructively tendering by means of attestation whereby a Participant identifies for delivery specific duly endorsed Units having a Fair Market Value as of the date of exercise equal to the aggregate exercise price and receives a number of Units equal to the difference between the number of Units thereby purchased and the number of identified attestation Units (provided that any Units used for this purpose must have been held by the Participant for such minimum period of time, if any, as may be established from time to time by the Committee), (2) by notice of net issue exercise including a statement directing the Partnership to issue a number of Units as to which the Option is exercised, but retain from transfer the number of Units with a Fair Market Value as of the date of exercise equal to the aggregate exercise price, in which case the Option will be surrendered and cancelled with respect to the number of Units retained by the Partnership, or (3) to the extent permissible under applicable law, through delivery of irrevocable instructions to a broker to sell a sufficient number of the Units being exercised to cover the aggregate exercise price and delivery to the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership (on the same day that the Units issuable upon exercise are delivered) of the amount of sale proceeds required to pay the aggregate exercise price; or (C) any combination of the foregoing having a Fair Market Value on the exercise date equal to the relevant exercise price.

(3) <u>Forfeitures</u>. Except as otherwise provided in the terms of the Award Agreement, upon termination of a Participant's Continuous Service for any reason during the applicable Restricted Period, all unvested Options shall be forfeited by the Participant. Subject to Section 7(a), the Committee may, in its discretion, waive in whole or in part such forfeiture with respect to a Participant's Options.

(c) <u>Unit Appreciation Rights</u>. The Committee may grant Unit Appreciation Rights to any eligible Employee, Consultant or Director. The Committee shall have the authority to determine the Employees, Consultants and Directors to whom Unit Appreciation Rights shall be granted, the number of Units to be covered by each grant, whether Units or cash shall be delivered upon exercise, the exercise price therefor and the conditions and limitations applicable to the exercise of the Unit Appreciation Rights, including the following terms and conditions and such additional terms and conditions as the Committee shall determine, that are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan.

(1) <u>Exercise Price</u>. The exercise price per Unit Appreciation Right shall be determined by the Committee at the time the Unit Appreciation Right is granted but, except with respect to Substitute Awards, may not be less than the Fair Market Value of a Unit as of the date of grant of the Unit Appreciation Right. For purposes of this Section 6(c)(1), the Fair Market Value of a Unit shall be determined as of the date of grant.

(2) <u>Time of Exercise</u>. The Committee shall determine the Restricted Period and the time or times at which a Unit Appreciation Right may be exercised in whole or in part, which may include, without limitation, accelerated vesting upon the achievement of specified performance conditions or other events.

(3) <u>Forfeitures</u>. Except as otherwise provided in the terms of the Award Agreement, upon termination of a Participant's Continuous Service for any reason during the applicable Restricted Period, all outstanding Unit Appreciation Rights awarded to the Participant shall be automatically forfeited on such termination. Subject to Section 7(a), the Committee may, in its discretion, waive in whole or in part such forfeiture with respect to a Participant's Unit Appreciation Rights.

(d) <u>Restricted Units and Phantom Units</u>. The Committee shall have the authority to determine the Employees, Consultants and Directors to whom Restricted Units or Phantom Units shall be granted, the number of Restricted Units or Phantom Units to be granted to each such Participant, the Restricted Period, the conditions under which the Restricted Units or Phantom Units may become vested or forfeited and such other terms and conditions as the Committee may establish with respect to such Awards.

(1) <u>UDRs</u>. To the extent provided by the Committee, in its discretion, a grant of Restricted Units may provide that the distributions made by the Partnership with respect to the Restricted Units shall be subject to the same forfeiture and other restrictions as the Restricted Unit and, if restricted, such distributions shall be held, without interest, until the Restricted Unit vests or is forfeited with the UDR being paid or forfeited at the same time, as the case may be. In addition, the Committee may provide that such distributions be used to acquire additional Restricted Units for the Participant. Such additional Restricted Units may be subject to such vesting and other terms as the Committee may prescribe. Absent such a restriction on the UDRs in the Award Agreement, UDRs shall be paid to the holder of the Restricted Unit without restriction at the same time as cash distributions are paid by the Partnership to its unitholders.

(2) <u>Forfeitures</u>. Except as otherwise provided in the terms of the applicable Award Agreement, upon termination of a Participant's Continuous Service for any reason during the applicable Restricted Period, all outstanding, unvested Restricted Units and Phantom Units awarded to the Participant shall be automatically forfeited on such termination. Subject to Section 7(a), the Committee may, in its discretion, waive in whole or in part such forfeiture with respect to a Participant's Restricted Units and/or Phantom Units.

#### (3) Lapse of Restrictions.

(i) <u>Phantom Units</u>. Following the vesting of and at the time of settlement specified for each Phantom Unit, subject to the provisions of Section 8(b), the Participant shall be entitled to settlement of such Phantom Unit and shall receive one Unit or an amount in cash equal to the Fair Market Value of a Unit, as determined by the Committee in its discretion.

(ii) <u>Restricted Units</u>. Upon the vesting of each Restricted Unit, subject to satisfying the tax withholding obligations of Section 8(b), the Participant shall be entitled to have the restrictions removed from his or her Award so that the Participant then holds an unrestricted Unit.

(e) <u>Unit Awards</u>. The Committee shall have the authority to grant a Unit Award under the Plan to any Employee, Consultant or Director in a number determined by the Committee in its discretion, as a bonus or additional compensation or in lieu of cash compensation the individual is otherwise entitled to receive, in such amounts as the Committee determines to be appropriate.

(f) Other Unit Based Awards; Cash Awards. The Committee is authorized, subject to limitations under applicable law, to grant to Employees, Consultants and Directors such other Awards that may be denominated or payable in, valued in whole or in part by reference to, or otherwise based on, or related to, Units, as deemed by the Committee to be consistent with the purposes of this Plan, including, without limitation, convertible or exchangeable debt securities, other rights convertible or exchangeable into Units, purchase rights for Units, Awards with value and payment contingent upon performance of the Partnership or any other factors designated by the Committee, and Awards valued by reference to the book value of Units or the value of securities of or the performance of specified Affiliates of the General Partner or the Partnership. The Committee shall determine the terms and conditions of such Other Unit Based Awards. Units delivered pursuant to an Other Unit Based Award in the nature of a purchase right granted under this Section 6(f) shall be purchased for such consideration, paid for at such times, by such methods, and in such forms, including, without limitation, cash, Units, other Awards, or other property, as the Committee shall determine. Cash Awards, as an element of or supplement to, or independent of any other Award under this Plan, may also be granted pursuant to this Section 6(f).

(g) <u>DERs</u>. To the extent provided by the Committee, in its discretion, an Employee, Consultant or Director may be granted a stand-alone DER or another Award (other than a Restricted Unit or Unit Award) granted to an Employee, Consultant or Director may include a tandem DER grant, in either case, which may provide that such DERs shall be paid directly to the Participant, be reinvested into additional Awards, be credited to a bookkeeping account (with or without interest in the discretion of the Committee) subject to the same vesting restrictions as the tandem Award (if any), or be subject to such other provisions or restrictions as determined by the Committee in its discretion. Absent a contrary provision in the Award Agreement, DERs shall be paid to the Participant without restriction at the same time as ordinary cash distributions are paid by the Partnership to its unitholders.

(h) <u>Substitute Awards</u>. Awards may be granted under the Plan in substitution for similar awards held by individuals who become Employees, Consultants or Directors as a result of a merger, consolidation or acquisition by the Partnership or an Affiliate of another entity, including an acquisition of the assets of another entity. Such Substitute Awards that are Options or Unit Appreciation Rights may have exercise prices less than the Fair Market Value of a Unit on the date of the substitution if such substitution complies with Section 409A of the Code and the 409A Regulations and other applicable laws and exchange rules.

(i) <u>Performance Awards</u>. The right of an Employee, Consultant or Director to exercise or receive a grant or settlement of any Award, and the vesting or timing thereof, may be subject to such performance conditions as may be specified by the Committee.

(1) <u>Performance Goals Generally</u>. The performance conditions for such Performance Awards shall consist of one or more business criteria or individual performance criteria and a targeted level or levels of performance with respect to each of such criteria, as specified by the Committee in its sole discretion. The Committee may determine that such Performance Awards shall be granted, exercised, vested, and/or settled upon achievement of any one performance condition or that two or more performance conditions must be achieved as a condition to grant, exercise, vesting and/or settlement of such Performance Awards. The Committee may establish any such performance conditions and goals based on one or more business criteria for the General Partner and/or the Partnership, on a consolidated basis, and/or for specified Affiliates or business or geographical units of the Partnership, as determined by the Committee in its discretion, which may include (but are not limited to) one or more of the following: (A) earnings per Unit, (B) revenues, (C) cash flow, (D) cash flow from operations, (E) cash flow return, (F) return on net assets, (G) return on assets, (H) return on investment, (I) return on capital, (J) return on equity, (K) economic value added, (L) operating margin, (M) contribution margin, (N) net income, (O) net income per Unit, (P) pretax earnings, (Q) pretax earnings before interest, depreciation and amortization, (R) pretax operating earnings after interest expense and before incentives, service fees, and extraordinary or special items, (S) total unitholder return, (T) debt reduction, (U) market share, (V) change in the Fair Market Value of the Units, (W) operating income, and (X) any of the above goals determined on an absolute or relative basis or as compared to the performance of a published or special index deemed applicable by the Committee including, but not limited to, the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Index or a group of comparable companies. Performance conditions may differ for Performance Awards grante

(2) <u>Performance Periods</u>. Achievement of performance conditions in respect of such Performance Awards shall be measured over a performance period of up to ten years, as specified by the Committee.

(3) <u>Settlement</u>. At the end of the applicable performance period, the Committee shall determine the amount, if any, of the potential Performance Award that will be granted or that will become vested, exercised and/or settled. Settlement of such Performance Awards shall be in cash, Units, other Awards or other property, in the discretion of the Committee. The Committee may, in its discretion, reduce or increase the amount of a settlement otherwise to be made in connection with such Performance Awards.

## (j) Certain Provisions Applicable to Awards.

(1) <u>Stand-Alone, Additional, Tandem and Substitute Awards</u>. Awards may, in the discretion of the Committee, be granted either alone or in addition to, in tandem with, or in substitution for any other Award granted under the Plan or any award granted

under any other plan of the Partnership or any Affiliate. Awards granted in addition to, in substitution for, or in tandem with other Awards or awards granted under any other plan of the Partnership or any Affiliate may be granted either at the same time as or at a different time from the grant of such other Awards or awards. If an Award is granted in substitution or exchange for another Award, the Committee shall require the surrender of such other Award in consideration for the grant of the new Award. Awards under the Plan may be granted in lieu of cash compensation, including in lieu of cash amounts payable under other plans of the General Partner, the Partnership, or any Affiliate, in which the value of Units subject to the Award is equivalent in value to the cash compensation, or in which the exercise price, grant price, or purchase price of the Award in the nature of a right that may be exercised is equal to the Fair Market Value of the underlying Units minus the value of the cash compensation surrendered.

# (2) Limits on Transfer of Awards.

(i) Except as provided in Section 6(j)(2)(iii) below, each Option and Unit Appreciation Right shall be exercisable only by the Participant during the Participant's lifetime, or by the Person to whom the Participant's rights shall pass by will or the laws of descent and distribution.

(ii) Except as provided in Section 6(j)(2)(iii) below, no Award and no right under any such Award may be assigned, alienated, pledged, attached, sold or otherwise transferred or encumbered by a Participant and any such purported assignment, alienation, pledge, attachment, sale, transfer or encumbrance shall be void and unenforceable against the General Partner, the Partnership or any Affiliate.

(iii) To the extent specifically provided by the Committee with respect to an Award, an Award may be transferred by a Participant without consideration to immediate family members or related family trusts, limited partnerships or similar entities or on such terms and conditions as the Committee may from time to time establish.

(3) <u>Term of Awards</u>. The term of each Award shall be for such period as may be determined by the Committee.

(4) <u>Form and Timing of Payment under Awards; Deferrals</u>. Subject to the terms of the Plan, any applicable Award Agreement and applicable law, payments to be made by the General Partner, the Partnership, or any Affiliate upon the exercise of an Option or other Award or settlement of an Award may be made in such forms as the Committee shall determine, including without limitation cash, Units, other Awards or other property, and may be made in a single payment or transfer, in installments, or on a deferred basis. Except as otherwise provided herein, the settlement of any Award may be accelerated, and cash paid in lieu of Units in connection with such settlement, in the discretion of the Committee or upon occurrence of one or more specified events (in addition to a Change of Control). Payments may include, without limitation, provisions for

the payment or crediting of reasonable interest on installment or deferred payments or the grant or crediting of DERs or other amounts in respect of installment or deferred payments denominated in Units. This Plan shall not constitute an "employee benefit plan" for purposes of Section 3(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

(5) <u>Evidencing Units</u>. The Units or other securities of the Partnership delivered pursuant to an Award may be evidenced in any manner deemed appropriate by the Committee in its sole discretion, including, but not limited to, in the form of a certificate issued in the name of the Participant or by book entry, electronic or otherwise, and shall be subject to such stop transfer orders and other restrictions as the Committee may deem advisable under the Plan or the rules, regulations, and other requirements of the SEC, any stock exchange upon which such Units or other securities are then listed, and any applicable federal, state or other laws, and the Committee may cause a legend or legends to be inscribed on any such certificates to make appropriate reference to such restrictions.

(6) <u>Consideration for Grants</u>. Awards may be granted for such consideration, including services, as the Committee shall determine.

(7) Delivery of Units or other Securities and Payment by Participant. Notwithstanding anything in the Plan or any Award Agreement to the contrary, delivery of Units pursuant to the exercise, vesting and/or settlement of an Award may be deferred for any period during which, in the good faith determination of the Committee, the General Partner is not reasonably able to obtain Units to deliver pursuant to such Award without violating applicable law or the applicable rules or regulations of any governmental agency or authority or securities exchange. No Units or other securities shall be delivered pursuant to any Award until payment in full of any amount required to be paid pursuant to the Plan or the applicable Award Agreement (including, without limitation, any exercise price or tax withholding) is received by the General Partner.

(8) <u>Additional Agreements</u>. Each Employee, Consultant or Director to whom an Award is granted under this Plan may be required to agree in writing, as a condition to the grant of such Award or otherwise, to subject an Award that is exercised or settled following such Person's termination of Continuous Service to a general release of claims and/or a noncompetition agreement in favor of the General Partner, the Partnership, and their Affiliates, with the terms and conditions of such agreement(s) to be determined in good faith by the Committee.

(9) <u>Termination of Employment</u>. Except as provided herein, the treatment of an Award upon a termination of Continuous Service by and between a Participant and the General Partner, the Partnership, or any Affiliate shall be specified in the Award Agreement controlling such Award.

(10) <u>Compliance with Law</u>. Each Participant to whom an Award is granted under this Plan shall not sell or otherwise dispose of any Unit that is acquired upon grant or vesting of an Award in any manner that would constitute a violation of any applicable federal or state securities laws, the Plan or the rules, regulations or other requirements of the SEC or any stock exchange upon which the Units are then listed.

#### 7. <u>Amendment and Termination</u>. Except to the extent prohibited by applicable law:

(a) <u>Amendments to the Plan and Awards</u>. Except as required by applicable law or the rules of the principal securities exchange, if any, on which the Units are traded, the Board or the Committee may amend, alter, suspend, discontinue, or terminate the Plan in any manner, including increasing the number of Units available for Awards under the Plan, without the consent of any partner, Participant, other holder or beneficiary of an Award, or any other Person. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may waive any conditions or rights under, amend any terms of, or alter any Award theretofore granted, provided that (i) no change, other than pursuant to Section 7(b), 7(c), 7(d), 7(e), or 7(g) below, in any Award shall materially reduce the rights or benefits of a Participant with respect to an Award without the consent of such Participant; and (ii) no such waiver, amendment or alternation contemplated under this Section 7(a) shall be effective if such wavier, amendment or alternation would subject a Participant to additional taxes under Section 409A of the Code.

(b) <u>Subdivision or Consolidation of Units</u>. The terms of an Award and the number of Units authorized pursuant to Section 4(a) for issuance under the Plan shall be subject to adjustment from time to time, in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) If at any time, or from time to time, the Partnership shall subdivide as a whole (by reclassification, by a Unit split, by the issuance of a distribution on Units payable in Units, or otherwise) the number of Units then outstanding into a greater number of Units or in the event the Partnership distributes an extraordinary cash dividend, then, as appropriate, (A) the maximum number of Units available for the Plan or in connection with Awards as provided in Section 4(a) shall be increased proportionately, and the kind of Units or other securities available for the Plan shall be appropriately adjusted, (B) the number of Units (or other kind of securities) that may be acquired under any then outstanding Award shall be increased proportionately, and (C) the price (including the exercise price) for each Unit (or other kind of securities) subject to then outstanding Awards shall be reduced proportionately, without changing the aggregate purchase price or value as to which outstanding Awards remain exercisable or subject to restrictions.

(2) If at any time, or from time to time, the Partnership shall consolidate as a whole (by reclassification, by reverse Unit split, or otherwise) the number of Units then outstanding into a lesser number of Units, then, as appropriate, (A) the maximum number of Units for the Plan or available in connection with Awards as provided in Section 4(a) shall be decreased proportionately, and the kind of Units or other securities available for the Plan shall be appropriately adjusted, (B) the number of Units (or other kind of securities) that may be acquired under any then outstanding Award shall be decreased proportionately, and (C) the price (including the exercise price) for each Unit (or other kind of securities) subject to then outstanding Awards shall be increased proportionately, without changing the aggregate purchase price or value as to which outstanding Awards remain exercisable or subject to restrictions.

(3) Whenever the number of Units subject to outstanding Awards and the price for each Unit subject to outstanding Awards are required to be adjusted as provided in this Section 7(b), the Committee shall promptly prepare a notice setting forth, in reasonable detail, the event requiring adjustment, the amount of the adjustment, the method by which such adjustment was calculated, the change in price and the change in the number of Units, other securities, cash, or property subject to each Award after giving effect to the adjustments. The Committee shall promptly provide each affected Participant with such notice.

(4) Adjustments under Sections 7(b)(1) and (2) shall be made by the Committee, and its determination as to what adjustments shall be made and the extent thereof shall be final, binding, and conclusive. No fractional interest shall be issued under the Plan on account of any such adjustments.

(c) <u>Recapitalizations</u>. If the Partnership recapitalizes, reclassifies its equity securities, or otherwise changes its capital structure (a "*recapitalization*") without a Change of Control, the number and class of Units covered by an Award theretofore granted shall be adjusted so that such Award shall thereafter cover the number and class of Units or other securities to which the holder would have been entitled pursuant to the terms of the recapitalization if, immediately prior to the recapitalization, the holder had been the holder of record of the number of Units then covered by such Award and the Unit limitation provided in Section 4(a) shall be adjusted in a manner consistent with the recapitalization.

(d) <u>Additional Issuances</u>. Except as expressly provided herein, the issuance by the General Partner or Partnership of units of any class or securities convertible into units of any class, for cash, property, labor or services, upon direct sale, upon the exercise of rights or warrants to subscribe therefor, or upon conversion of units or obligations of the General Partner or the Partnership convertible into such units or other securities, and in any case whether or not for fair value, shall not affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number of Units subject to Awards theretofore granted or the purchase price per Unit, if applicable.

(e) <u>Change of Control</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Plan or any Award Agreement to the contrary, upon a Change of Control, the Committee, acting in its sole discretion without the consent or approval of any holder, may affect one or more of the following alternatives, which may vary among individual holders and which may vary among Awards: (i) remove any applicable forfeiture restrictions on any Award; (ii) accelerate the time of exercisability or the time at which the Restricted Period shall lapse to a specified date, before or after such Change of Control, specified by the Committee, after which specified date all unexercised Awards and all rights of holders thereunder shall terminate; (iii) provide for a cash payment with respect to outstanding Awards by requiring the mandatory surrender to the General Partner or the Partnership by selected holders of some or all of the outstanding Awards held by such holders (irrespective of whether such Awards are then subject to a Restricted Period or other

restrictions pursuant to the Plan) as of a date, before or after such Change of Control, specified by the Committee, in which event the Committee shall thereupon cancel such Awards (with respect to all shares subject to such awards) and pay to each holder an amount of cash per Unit equal to the amount calculated in Section 7(f) (the "*Change of Control Price*") less the exercise price, if any, applicable to such Awards; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that to the extent the exercise price of an Option or a Unit Appreciation Right exceeds the Change of Control Price, no consideration will be paid with respect to that Award; (iv) cancel Awards that remain subject to a Restricted Period as of the date of a Change of Control without payment of any consideration to the Participant for such Awards; or (v) make such adjustments to Awards then outstanding as the Committee deems appropriate to reflect such Change of Control (including, but not limited to, the substitution, assumption, or continuation of Awards by the successor company or a parent or subsidiary thereof); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Committee may determine in its sole discretion that no adjustment is necessary to Awards then outstanding.

(f) <u>Change of Control Price</u>. The "*Change of Control Price*" shall equal the amount determined in clause (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v), whichever is applicable, as follows: (i) the per Unit price offered to unitholders in any merger or consolidation, (ii) the per Unit value of the Units immediately before the Change of Control without regard to assets sold in the Change of Control and assuming the General Partner or the Partnership, as applicable, has received the consideration paid for the assets in the case of a sale of the assets, (iii) the amount distributed per Unit in a dissolution transaction, (iv) the price per Unit offered to unitholders in any tender offer or exchange offer whereby a Change of Control takes place, or (v) if such Change of Control occurs other than pursuant to a transaction described in clauses (i), (ii), (iii), or (iv) of this Section 7(f), the Fair Market Value per Unit of the Units that may otherwise be obtained with respect to such Awards or to which such Awards track, as determined by the Committee as of the date of cancellation and surrender of such Awards. In the event that the consideration offered to unitholders of the Partnership in any transaction described in this Section 7(f) or Section 7(e) consists of anything other than cash, the Committee shall determine the fair cash equivalent of the portion of the consideration offered which is other than cash.

(g) Impact of Events on Awards Generally. In the event of changes in the outstanding Units by reason of a recapitalization, reorganization, merger, consolidation, combination, exchange or other relevant change in capitalization occurring after the date of the grant of any Award and not otherwise provided for by this Section 7, any outstanding Awards and any Award Agreements evidencing such Awards shall be subject to adjustment by the Committee at its discretion, which adjustment may, in the Committee's discretion, be described in the Award Agreement and may include, but not be limited to, adjustments as to the number and price of Units or other consideration subject to such Awards, accelerated vesting (in full or in part) of such Awards, conversion of such Awards into awards denominated in the securities or other interests of any successor Person, or the cash settlement of such Awards in exchange for the cancellation thereof or the cancellation of unvested Awards with or without consideration. In the event of any such change in the outstanding Units, the aggregate number of Units available under this Plan may be appropriately adjusted by the Committee, whose determination shall be conclusive.

## 8. General Provisions.

(a) <u>No Rights to Award</u>. No Person shall have any claim to be granted any Award under the Plan, and there is no obligation for uniformity of treatment of Participants. The terms and conditions of Awards need not be the same with respect to each recipient.

(b) Tax Withholding. Unless other arrangements have been made that are acceptable to the General Partner or an Affiliate, the Partnership, the General Partner or an Affiliate is authorized to deduct, withhold, or cause to be deducted or withheld, from any Award, from any payment due or transfer made under any Award or from any compensation or other amount owing to a Participant the amount (in cash, Units, Units that would otherwise be issued pursuant to such Award or other property) of any applicable taxes payable in respect of the grant or settlement of an Award, its exercise, the lapse of restrictions thereon, or any other payment or transfer under an Award or under the Plan and to take such other action as may be necessary in the opinion of the General Partner or Affiliate to satisfy its withholding obligations for the payment of such taxes; provided, that if such tax obligations are satisfied through the withholding of Units that are otherwise issuable to the Participant pursuant to an Award (or through the surrender of Units by the Participant to the Partnership or Affiliate), the number of Units that may be so withheld (or surrendered) shall not exceed the number of Units that have an aggregate Fair Market Value on the date of withholding or surrender equal to the aggregate amount of such tax liabilities determined based on the maximum applicable statutory rates for U.S. federal, state and/or local tax purposes, including payroll taxes, as determined by the Partnership or an Affiliate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to any Participant who is subject to Rule 16b-3, such tax withholding may be effected by withholding, selling or receiving Units or other property and making cash payments in respect thereof in satisfaction of a Participant's tax obligations, either on a mandatory or elective basis in the discretion of the Committee (which for these purposes shall be comprised of two or more "nonemployee directors" within the meaning of Rule 16b-3(b)(3) or the full Board and which such discretion may not be delegated to management) in a manner that complies with the specificity requirements of Rule 16b-3, including the name of the Participant involved in the transaction, the nature of the transaction, the number of shares to be acquired or disposed of by the Participant and the material terms of the Award involved in the transaction.

(c) <u>No Right to Employment or Services</u>. The grant of an Award shall not be construed as giving a Participant the right to continue to be employed, to continue providing consulting services, or to remain on the Board, as applicable. Furthermore, the General Partner or an Affiliate may at any time dismiss a Participant from Continuous Service free from any liability or any claim under the Plan, unless otherwise expressly provided in the Plan, any Award Agreement or other agreement.

(d) <u>Governing Law</u>. The validity, construction, and effect of the Plan and any rules and regulations relating to the Plan shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware without regard to its conflicts of laws principles.

(e) <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of the Plan or any Award is or becomes or is deemed to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any jurisdiction or as to any Person or Award, or

would disqualify the Plan or any Award under any law deemed applicable by the Committee, such provision shall be construed or deemed amended to conform to the applicable law or, if it cannot be construed or deemed amended without, in the determination of the Committee, materially altering the intent of the Plan or the Award, such provision shall be stricken as to such jurisdiction, Person or Award and the remainder of the Plan and any such Award shall remain in full force and effect.

(f) <u>No Trust or Fund Created</u>. Neither the Plan nor any Award shall create or be construed to create a trust or separate fund of any kind or a fiduciary relationship between the General Partner or any Affiliate and a Participant or any other Person. To the extent that any Person acquires a right to receive payments from the General Partner or any Affiliate pursuant to an Award, such right shall be no greater than the right of any general unsecured creditor of the General Partner or such Affiliate.

(g) <u>No Fractional Units</u>. No fractional Units shall be issued or delivered pursuant to the Plan or any Award, and the Committee shall determine in its sole discretion whether cash, other securities, or other property shall be paid or transferred in lieu of any fractional Units or whether such fractional Units or any rights thereto shall be canceled, terminated, or otherwise eliminated with or without consideration.

(h) <u>Headings</u>. Headings are given to the Sections and subsections of the Plan solely as a convenience to facilitate reference. Such headings shall not be deemed in any way material or relevant to the construction or interpretation of the Plan or any provision thereof.

(i) <u>Facility of Payment</u>. Any amounts payable hereunder to any individual under legal disability or who, in the judgment of the Committee, is unable to manage properly his financial affairs, may be paid to the legal representative of such individual, or may be applied for the benefit of such individual in any manner that the Committee may select, and the General Partner shall be relieved of any further liability for payment of such amounts.

(j) <u>Allocation of Costs</u>. Nothing herein shall be deemed to override, amend, or modify any cost sharing arrangement, omnibus agreement, or other arrangement between the General Partner, the Partnership, and any Affiliate regarding the sharing of costs between those entities.

(k) <u>Gender and Number</u>. Words in the masculine gender shall include the feminine gender, the plural shall include the singular and the singular shall include the plural.

(1) <u>Compliance with Section 409A</u>. It is the general intention, but not the obligation, of the Committee to design Awards to comply with or to be exempt from Section 409A of the Code and the 409A Regulations, and Awards should be interpreted accordingly. In no event will any action taken by the Committee pursuant to Section 7 hereof result in the creation of nonqualified deferred compensation within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code or the 409A Regulations or in the imposition of additional taxes on Participants under Section 409A of the Code. The applicable provisions of Section 409A of the Code and the 409A Regulations are hereby incorporated by reference and shall control over any Plan or Award Agreement provision in conflict therewith.

(m) <u>Specified Employee under Section 409A of the Code</u>. Subject to any other restrictions or limitations contained herein, in the event that a "specified employee" (as defined under Section 409A of the Code and the 409A Regulations) becomes entitled to a payment under an Award which is a 409A Award on account of a "separation from service" (as defined under Section 409A of the Code and the 409A Regulations), to the extent required by the Code, such payment shall not occur until the date that is six months plus one day from the date of such separation from service. Any amount that is otherwise payable within the six-month period described herein will be aggregated and paid in a lump sum without interest.

(n) <u>No Guarantee of Tax Consequences</u>. The Committee will attempt to structure Awards with terms and conditions and to exercise its powers and authority under the Plan in a manner that will not result in adverse tax consequences to Participants under any applicable laws; however, none of the Board, the Committee, the Partnership nor the General Partner or any Affiliate thereof makes any commitment or guarantee that any federal, state, local or other tax treatment will (or will not) apply or be available to any Participant.

(o) <u>Clawback</u>. This Plan is subject to any written clawback policies the General Partner or the Partnership, with the approval of the Board, may adopt. Any such policy may subject a Participant's Awards and amounts paid or realized with respect to Awards under this Plan to reduction, cancellation, forfeiture or recoupment if certain specified events or wrongful conduct occur, including but not limited to an accounting restatement due to the Partnership's material noncompliance with financial reporting regulations or other events or wrongful conduct specified in any such clawback policy adopted to conform to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 and rules promulgated thereunder by the SEC and that the General Partner or the Partnership determines should apply to this Plan.

**9.** <u>Term of the Plan</u>. The Plan shall be effective on the Effective Date and shall continue until the earliest of (i) the date terminated by the Board, (ii) all Units available under the Plan have been delivered to Participants, or (iii) the day preceding the 10th anniversary of the Effective Date. However, any Award granted prior to such termination, and the authority of the Board or Committee to amend, alter, adjust, suspend, discontinue, or terminate any such Award or to waive any conditions or rights under such Award in accordance with the terms of this Plan, shall extend beyond such termination date until the final disposition of such Award. Execution.

**10.** <u>Execution</u>. To record the adoption of the Plan by the Board, the Company has caused its authorized officer to execute the Plan as of the date specified below.

[Signature Page Follows.]

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, upon authorization of the Board, the undersigned has caused this Rattler Midstream LP Long-Term Incentive Plan to be executed effective as of the date first written above.

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

By: Rattler Midstream GP LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

Name: Teresa L. Dick Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

[Signature Page to Rattler Midstream LP Long-Term Incentive Plan]

#### FORM OF INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

THIS INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT (the "*Agreement*") is made and entered into as of May 22, 2019 by and among Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "*Partnership*"), Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and general partner of the Partnership (the "*General Partner*"), and ("*Indemnitee*").

#### WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, highly competent persons have become more reluctant to serve companies as directors or officers or in other capacities unless they are provided with adequate protection through insurance or adequate indemnification against inordinate risks of claims and actions against them arising out of their service to and activities on behalf of the company;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the General Partner (the "**Board**") has determined that, in order to attract and retain qualified individuals, the Partnership will attempt to maintain on an ongoing basis, at its sole expense, liability insurance to protect persons serving the Partnership and its subsidiaries from certain liabilities. In addition, the First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership (the "**LP Agreement**") requires indemnification of the directors, officers, employees, agents, fiduciaries or trustees of the General Partner and its subsidiaries. The LP Agreement states that its indemnification provisions are in addition to any other rights to which an indemnitee may be entitled under any other agreement;

WHEREAS, the uncertainties relating to such insurance and to indemnification have increased the difficulty of attracting and retaining such persons;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the increased difficulty in attracting and retaining such persons is detrimental to the best interests of the Partnership and that the Partnership should act to assure such persons that there will be increased certainty of such protection in the future;

WHEREAS, it is reasonable, prudent and necessary for the Partnership to contractually obligate itself to indemnify, and to advance expenses on behalf of, such persons to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law so that they will serve or continue to serve the Partnership free from undue concern that they will not be so indemnified;

WHEREAS, this Agreement is a supplement to and in furtherance of the LP Agreement and any resolutions adopted pursuant thereto, and shall not be deemed a substitute therefor, nor to diminish or abrogate any rights of Indemnitee thereunder; and

WHEREAS, Indemnitee does not regard the protection available under the LP Agreement and the Partnership's insurance as adequate in the present circumstances, and may not be willing to serve as an officer or director of the General Partner without adequate protection, and the Partnership desires Indemnitee to serve in such capacity. Indemnitee is willing to serve, continue to serve and to take on additional service for or on behalf of the Partnership on the condition that Indemnitee be so indemnified.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of Indemnitee's agreement to serve or continue to serve as an officer and/or director of the General Partner from and after the date hereof, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. <u>Indemnity of Indemnitee</u>. The Partnership hereby agrees to hold harmless and indemnify Indemnitee to the fullest extent permitted by law, as such may be amended from time to time. In furtherance of the foregoing indemnification, and without limiting the generality thereof:

(a) <u>Proceedings Other Than Proceedings by or in the Right of the Partnership</u>. Indemnitee shall be entitled to the rights of indemnification provided in this <u>Section 1(a)</u> if, by reason of Indemnitee's Partnership Status (as hereinafter defined), Indemnitee is, or is threatened to be made, a party to or participant in any Proceeding (as hereinafter defined) other than a Proceeding by or in the right of the Partnership, which is governed by <u>Section 1(b)</u>. Pursuant to this <u>Section 1(a)</u>, Indemnitee shall be indemnified against all Expenses (as hereinafter defined), judgments, penalties, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee, or on Indemnitee's behalf, in connection with such Proceeding or any claim, issue or matter therein, if Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner Indemnitee reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Partnership, and with respect to any criminal Proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe the Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful.

(b) <u>Proceedings by or in the Right of the Partnership</u>. Indemnitee shall be entitled to the rights of indemnification provided in this <u>Section 1(b)</u> if, by reason of Indemnitee's Partnership Status, Indemnitee is, or is threatened to be made, a party to or participant in any Proceeding brought by or in the right of the Partnership. Pursuant to this <u>Section 1(b)</u>, Indemnitee shall be indemnified against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee, or on Indemnitee's behalf, in connection with such Proceeding if Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner Indemnitee reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Partnership; provided, however, if applicable law so provides, no indemnification against such Expenses shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter in such Proceeding as to which Indemnitee shall have been adjudged to be liable to the Partnership unless and to the extent that the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware shall determine that such indemnification may be made.

(c) Indemnification for Expenses of a Party Who is Wholly or Partly Successful. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, to the extent that Indemnitee is, by reason of Indemnitee's Partnership Status, a party to and is successful, on the merits or otherwise, in any Proceeding, Indemnitee shall be indemnified to the maximum extent permitted by law, as such may be amended from time to time, against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf in connection therewith. If Indemnitee is not wholly successful in such Proceeding but is successful, on the merits or otherwise, as to one or more but less than all claims, issues or matters in such Proceeding, the Partnership shall indemnify Indemnitee against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf in connection therewith. If connection with each successfully resolved claim, issue or matter. For purposes of this Section 1(c) and without limitation, the termination of any claim, issue or matter in such a Proceeding by dismissal, with or without prejudice, shall be deemed to be a successful result as to such claim, issue or matter.

2. <u>Additional Indemnity</u>. In addition to, and without regard to any limitations on, the indemnification provided for in <u>Section 1</u> of this Agreement, the Partnership shall and hereby does indemnify and hold harmless Indemnitee against all Expenses, judgments, penalties, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf if, by reason of Indemnitee's Partnership Status, Indemnitee is, or is threatened to be made, a party to or participant in any Proceeding (including a Proceeding by or in the right of the Partnership), including, without limitation, all liability arising out of the negligence or active or passive wrongdoing of Indemnitee. The only limitation that shall exist upon the Partnership's obligations pursuant to this Agreement shall be that the Partnership shall not be obligated to make any payment to Indemnitee that is finally determined (under the procedures, and subject to the presumptions, set forth in <u>Sections 6</u> and <u>7</u> hereof) to be unlawful.

## 3. Contribution.

(a) Whether or not the indemnification provided in <u>Sections 1</u> and <u>2</u> hereof is available, in respect of any Proceeding in which the Partnership is jointly liable with Indemnitee (or would be if joined in such Proceeding), the Partnership shall pay, in the first instance, the entire amount of any judgment or settlement of such Proceeding without requiring Indemnitee to contribute to such payment and the Partnership hereby waives and relinquishes any right of contribution it may have against Indemnitee. The Partnership shall not enter into any settlement of any Proceeding in which the Partnership is jointly liable with Indemnitee (or would be if joined in such Proceeding) unless such settlement provides for a full and final release of all claims asserted against Indemnitee.

(b) Without diminishing or impairing the obligations of the Partnership set forth in Section 3(a), if, for any reason, Indemnitee shall elect or be required to pay all or any portion of any judgment or settlement in any Proceeding in which the Partnership is jointly liable with Indemnitee (or would be if joined in such Proceeding), the Partnership shall contribute to the amount of Expenses, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred and paid or payable by Indemnitee in proportion to the relative benefits received by the Partnership and all officers, directors or employees of the General Partner, other than Indemnitee, who are jointly liable with Indemnitee (or would be if joined in such Proceeding), on the one hand, and Indemnitee, on the other hand, from the transaction or events from which such Proceeding arose; provided, however, that the proportion determined on the basis of relative benefit may, to the extent necessary to conform to law, be further adjusted by reference to the relative fault of the Partnership and all officers, directors or employees of the General Partner other than Indemnitee, on the other hand, in connection with the transaction or events that resulted in such Expenses, judgments, fines or settlement amounts, as well as any other equitable considerations which applicable law may require to be considered. The relative fault of the Partnership and all officers, directors or employees of the General Partner, other than Indemnitee, who are jointly liable with Indemnitee (or would be if joined in such Proceeding), on the one hand, and Indemnitee, on the other hand, in connection which applicable law may require to be considered. The relative fault of the Partnership and all officers, directors or employees of the General Partner, other than Indemnitee, who are jointly liable with Indemnitee (or would be if joined in such Proceeding), on the one hand, and Indemnitee, on the other hand, shall be determined by reference to, among other things, the degree to

(c) The Partnership hereby agrees to fully indemnify and hold Indemnitee harmless from any claims of contribution which may be brought by officers, directors or employees of the General Partner, other than Indemnitee, who may be jointly liable with Indemnitee.

(d) To the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, if the indemnification provided for in this Agreement is unavailable to Indemnitee for any reason whatsoever, the Partnership, in lieu of indemnifying Indemnitee, shall contribute to the amount incurred by Indemnitee, whether for judgments, fines, penalties, excise taxes, amounts paid or to be paid in settlement and/or for Expenses, in connection with any claim relating to an indemnifiable event under this Agreement, in such proportion as is deemed fair and reasonable in light of all of the circumstances of such Proceeding in order to reflect (i) the relative benefits received by the Partnership and Indemnitee as a result of the event(s) and/or transaction(s) giving cause to such Proceeding; and/or (ii) the relative fault of the Partnership (and the directors, officers, employees and agents of the General Partner) and Indemnitee in connection with such event(s) and/or transaction(s).

4. <u>Indemnification for Expenses of a Witness</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, to the extent that Indemnitee is, by reason of Indemnitee's Partnership Status, a witness, or is made (or asked) to respond to discovery requests, in any Proceeding to which Indemnitee is not a party, Indemnitee shall be indemnified against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf in connection therewith.

5. <u>Advancement of Expenses</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Partnership shall advance all Expenses incurred by or on behalf of Indemnitee in connection with any Proceeding by reason of Indemnitee's Partnership Status within thirty (30) days after the receipt by the Partnership of a statement or statements from Indemnitee requesting such advance or advances from time to time, whether prior to or after final disposition of such Proceeding. Such statement or statements shall reasonably evidence the Expenses incurred by Indemnitee and shall include or be preceded or accompanied by a written undertaking by or on behalf of Indemnitee to repay any Expenses advanced if it shall ultimately be determined that Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified against such Expenses. Any advances and undertakings to repay pursuant to this <u>Section 5</u> shall be unsecured and interest free.

6. <u>Procedures and Presumptions for Determination of Entitlement to Indemnification</u>. It is the intent of this Agreement to secure for Indemnitee rights of indemnity that are as favorable as may be permitted under the LP Agreement, the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act and public policy of the State of Delaware. Accordingly, the parties agree that the following procedures and presumptions shall apply in the event of any question as to whether Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification under this Agreement:

(a) To obtain indemnification under this Agreement, Indemnitee shall submit to the Partnership a written request, including therein or therewith such documentation and information as is reasonably available to Indemnitee and is reasonably necessary to determine whether and to what extent Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification. The Secretary of the General Partner shall, promptly upon receipt of such a request for indemnification, advise the Board in writing that Indemnitee has requested indemnification. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any failure of Indemnitee to provide such a request to the Partnership, or to provide such a request in a timely fashion, shall not relieve the Partnership of any liability that it may have to Indemnitee unless, and to the extent that, such failure actually and materially prejudices the interests of the Partnership.

(b) Upon written request by Indemnitee for indemnification pursuant to the first sentence of <u>Section 6(a)</u> hereof, a determination with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement thereto shall be made in the specific case by one of the following four methods, which, except for the fourth method in the event of a Change of Control as defined in <u>Section 13</u> of this Agreement, shall be at the election of the Board, (1) by a majority vote of the Disinterested Directors, even though less than a quorum, (2) by a committee of Disinterested Directors designated by a majority vote of the Disinterested Directors, even though less than a quorum, (3) if there are no Disinterested Directors or if the Disinterested Directors so direct, by Independent Counsel (as hereinafter defined) in a written opinion to the Board, a copy of which shall be delivered to the Indemnitee or (4) in the event of a Change of Control, by Independent Counsel in a written opinion to the Board, a copy of which shall be delivered to the Indemnitee.

(c) If the determination of entitlement to indemnification is to be made by Independent Counsel pursuant to <u>Section 6(b)</u> hereof, the Independent Counsel shall be selected as provided in this <u>Section 6(c)</u>. The Independent Counsel shall be selected by the Board, and the Partnership shall give written notice to Indemnitee advising Indemnitee of the identity of the Independent Counsel so selected. Indemnitee may, within ten (10) days after such written notice of selection shall have been given, deliver to the Partnership a written objection to such selection; provided, however, that such objection may be asserted only on the ground that the Independent Counsel so selected does not meet the requirements of "*Independent Counsel*" as defined in <u>Section 13</u> of this Agreement, and the objection shall set forth with particularity the factual basis of such assertion. Absent a proper and timely objection, the person so selected shall act as Independent Counsel. If such written objection is made and substantiated, the Independent Counsel selected may not serve as Independent Counsel unless and until such objection is withdrawn or a court has determined that such objection is without merit. If, within twenty (20) days after submission by Indemnitee of a written request for indemnification pursuant to <u>Section 6(a)</u> hereof, no Independent Counsel shall have been selected and not objected to, either the Partnership or Indemnitee may petition the Court of

Chancery of the State of Delaware or other court of competent jurisdiction for resolution of any objection which shall have been made by Indemnitee to the Partnership's selection of Independent Counsel and/or for the appointment as Independent Counsel of a person selected by the court or by such other person as the court shall designate, and the person with respect to whom all objections are so resolved or the person so appointed shall act as Independent Counsel under <u>Section 6(b)</u> hereof. The Partnership shall pay any and all reasonable fees and expenses of Independent Counsel incurred by such Independent Counsel in connection with acting pursuant to <u>Section 6(b)</u> hereof, and the Partnership shall pay all reasonable fees and expenses incident to the procedures of this <u>Section 6(c)</u>, regardless of the manner in which such Independent Counsel was selected or appointed.

(d) In making a determination with respect to entitlement to indemnification hereunder, the person or persons or entity making such determination shall presume that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification under this Agreement. Anyone seeking to overcome this presumption shall have the burden of proof and the burden of persuasion by clear and convincing evidence. Neither the failure of the Partnership (including the Disinterested Directors, a committee of such directors or Independent Counsel) to have made a determination, prior to the commencement of any action pursuant to this Agreement, that indemnification is proper in the circumstances because Indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct, nor an actual determination by the Partnership (including by the Disinterested Directors, a committee of such directors or Independent Counsel) that Indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that Indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct.

(e) Indemnitee shall be deemed to have acted in good faith if Indemnitee's action is based on the records or books of account of the Enterprise (as hereinafter defined), including financial statements, or on information supplied to Indemnitee by the officers of the Enterprise in the course of their duties, or on the advice of legal counsel for the Enterprise or on information or records given or reports made to the Enterprise by an independent certified public accountant or by an appraiser or other expert selected with reasonable care by the Enterprise. In addition, the knowledge and/or actions, or failure to act, of any director, officer, agent or employee of the Enterprise shall not be imputed to Indemnitee for purposes of determining the right to indemnification under this Agreement. Whether or not the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 6(e)</u> are satisfied, it shall in any event be presumed that Indemnitee has at all times acted in good faith and in a manner Indemnitee reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Partnership. Anyone seeking to overcome this presumption shall have the burden of proof and the burden of persuasion by clear and convincing evidence.

(f) If the person, persons or entity empowered or selected under <u>Section 6</u> to determine whether Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification shall not have made a determination within sixty (60) days after receipt by the Partnership of the request therefor, the requisite determination of entitlement to indemnification shall be deemed to have been made and Indemnitee shall be entitled to such indemnification absent (i) a misstatement by Indemnitee of a material fact, or an omission of a material fact necessary to make Indemnitee's statement not materially misleading, in connection with the request for indemnification, or (ii) a prohibition of such indemnification under applicable law; provided, however, that such 60-day period may be extended for a reasonable time, not to exceed an additional thirty (30) days, if the person, persons or entity making such determination with respect to entitlement to indemnification in good faith requires such additional time to obtain or evaluate documentation and/or information relating thereto.

(g) Indemnitee shall cooperate with the person, persons or entity making such determination with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification, including providing to such person, persons or entity upon reasonable advance request any documentation or information which is not privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure and which is reasonably available to Indemnitee and reasonably necessary to such determination. Any Independent Counsel or member of the Board shall act

reasonably and in good faith in making a determination regarding the Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification under this Agreement. Any costs or expenses (including attorneys' fees and disbursements) incurred by Indemnitee in so cooperating with the person, persons or entity making such determination shall be borne by the Partnership (irrespective of the determination as to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification) and the Partnership hereby indemnifies and agrees to hold Indemnitee harmless therefrom.

(h) The Partnership acknowledges that a settlement or other disposition short of final judgment may be successful if it permits a party to avoid expense, delay, distraction, disruption and uncertainty. In the event that any Proceeding to which Indemnitee is a party is resolved in any manner other than by adverse judgment against Indemnitee (including, without limitation, settlement of such Proceeding with or without payment of money or other consideration) it shall be presumed that Indemnitee has been successful on the merits or otherwise in such Proceeding. Anyone seeking to overcome this presumption shall have the burden of proof and the burden of persuasion by clear and convincing evidence.

(i) The termination of any Proceeding or of any claim, issue or matter therein, by judgment, order, settlement or conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not (except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement) of itself adversely affect the right of Indemnitee to indemnification or create a presumption that Indemnitee did not act in good faith and in a manner which Indemnitee reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Partnership or, with respect to any criminal Proceeding, that Indemnitee had reasonable cause to believe that Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful.

# 7. <u>Remedies of Indemnitee</u>.

(a) In the event that (i) a determination is made pursuant to <u>Section 6</u> of this Agreement that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification under this Agreement, (ii) advancement of Expenses is not timely made pursuant to <u>Section 5</u> of this Agreement, (iii) no determination of entitlement to indemnification is made pursuant to <u>Section 6(b)</u> of this Agreement within ninety (90) days after receipt by the Partnership of the request for indemnification, (iv) payment of indemnification is not made pursuant to this Agreement within ten (10) days after receipt by the Partnership of a written request therefor or (v) payment of indemnification is not made pursuant to <u>Section 6</u> of this Agreement, Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification or such determination is deemed to have been made pursuant to <u>Section 6</u> of this Agreement, Indemnitee shall be entitled to an adjudication in an appropriate court of the State of Delaware, or in any other court of competent jurisdiction, of Indemnitee's entitlement to such indemnification. Indemnitee shall commence such proceeding seeking an adjudication within 180 days following the date on which Indemnitee first has the right to commence such proceeding pursuant to this <u>Section 7(a)</u>. The Partnership shall not oppose Indemnitee's right to seek any such adjudication.

(b) In the event that a determination shall have been made pursuant to <u>Section 6(b)</u> of this Agreement that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification, any judicial proceeding commenced pursuant to this <u>Section 7</u> shall be conducted in all respects as a de novo trial on the merits, and Indemnitee shall not be prejudiced by reason of the adverse determination under <u>Section 6(b)</u>.

(c) If a determination shall have been made pursuant to <u>Section 6(b)</u> of this Agreement that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, the Partnership shall be bound by such determination in any judicial proceeding commenced pursuant to this <u>Section 7</u>, absent (i) a misstatement by Indemnitee of a material fact, or an omission of a material fact necessary to make Indemnitee's misstatement not materially misleading in connection with the application for indemnification, or (ii) a prohibition of such indemnification under applicable law.

(d) In the event that Indemnitee, pursuant to this <u>Section 7</u>, seeks a judicial adjudication of Indemnitee's rights under, or to recover damages for breach of, this Agreement, or to

recover under any directors' and officers' liability insurance policies maintained by the Partnership, the Partnership shall pay on Indemnitee's behalf, in advance, any and all expenses (of the types described in the definition of "Expenses" in <u>Section 13</u> of this Agreement) actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee in such judicial adjudication, regardless of whether Indemnitee ultimately is determined to be entitled to such indemnification, advancement of expenses or insurance recovery.

(e) The Partnership shall be precluded from asserting in any judicial proceeding commenced pursuant to this <u>Section 7</u> that the procedures and presumptions of this Agreement are not valid, binding and enforceable and shall stipulate in any such court that the Partnership is bound by all the provisions of this Agreement. The Partnership shall indemnify Indemnitee against any and all Expenses and, if requested by Indemnitee, shall (within ten (10) days after receipt by the Partnership of a written request therefore) advance, to the extent not prohibited by applicable law, such expenses to Indemnitee, which are incurred by Indemnitee in connection with any action brought by Indemnitee for indemnification or advancement of Expenses from the Partnership under this Agreement or under any directors' and officers' liability insurance policies maintained by the Partnership, regardless of whether Indemnitee ultimately is determined to be entitled to such indemnification, advancement of Expenses or insurance recovery, as the case may be.

(f) Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, no determination as to entitlement to indemnification under this Agreement shall be required to be made prior to the final disposition of the Proceeding.

# 8. Non-Exclusivity; Survival of Rights; Insurance; Subrogation; Primacy of Indemnification.

(a) The rights of indemnification as provided by this Agreement shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which Indemnitee may at any time be entitled (i) under applicable law, (ii) under the LP Agreement, (iii) pursuant to a resolution of Board or (iv) otherwise. No amendment, alteration or repeal of this Agreement or of any provision hereof shall limit or restrict any right of Indemnitee under this Agreement in respect of any action taken or omitted by such Indemnitee in Indemnitee's Partnership Status prior to such amendment, alteration or repeal. To the extent that an amendment or modification of the LP Agreement, whether by law, amendment or otherwise, or an amendment to Delaware law permits greater indemnification than would be afforded currently under this Agreement, it is the intent of the parties hereto that Indemnitee shall enjoy by this Agreement the greater benefits so afforded by such change. No right or remedy herein conferred is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every other right and remedy shall be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other right or remedy.

(b) To the extent that the Partnership maintains an insurance policy or policies providing liability insurance for directors, officers, employees, agents or fiduciaries of the General Partner or of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise that such person serves at the request of the Partnership, Indemnitee shall be covered by such policy or policies in accordance with its or their terms to the maximum extent of the coverage available for any director, officer, employee, agent or fiduciary under such policy or policies. If, at the time of the receipt of a notice of a claim pursuant to the terms hereof, the Partnership has directors' and officers' liability insurance in effect, the Partnership shall give prompt notice of the commencement of such proceeding to the insurers in accordance with the procedures set forth in the respective policies. The Partnership shall thereafter take all necessary or desirable action to cause such insurers to pay, on behalf of the Indemnitee, all amounts payable as a result of such proceeding in accordance with the terms of such policies.

(c) In the event of any payment under this Agreement, the Partnership shall be subrogated to the extent of such payment to all of the rights of recovery of Indemnitee who shall execute all papers required and take all action necessary to secure such rights, including execution of such documents as are necessary to enable the Partnership to bring suit to enforce such rights.

(d) The Partnership shall not be liable under this Agreement to make any payment of amounts otherwise indemnifiable hereunder (or for which advancement is provided hereunder) if and to the extent that Indemnitee has otherwise actually received such payment under any insurance policy, contract, agreement or otherwise.

(e) The Partnership's obligation to indemnify or advance Expenses hereunder to Indemnitee who is or was serving at the request of the Partnership as a director, officer, employee or agent of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise shall be reduced by any amount Indemnitee has actually received as indemnification or advancement of Expenses from such other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise.

(f) Any indemnification pursuant to this Agreement shall be made only out of the assets of the Partnership, including any insurance purchased and maintained by the Partnership for such purpose, it being agreed that the Partnership's unitholders shall not be personally liable for such indemnification and shall have no obligation to contribute or loan any monies or property to the Partnership to enable it to effectuate such indemnification.

9. Exception to Right of Indemnification. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement, the Partnership shall not be obligated under this Agreement to make any indemnity in connection with any claim made against Indemnitee:

(a) for which payment has actually been made to or on behalf of Indemnitee under any insurance policy or other indemnity provision, except with respect to any excess beyond the amount paid under any insurance policy or other indemnity provision; or

(b) for (i) an accounting of profits made from the purchase and sale (or sale and purchase) by Indemnitee of securities of the Partnership within the meaning of Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "*Exchange Act*"), or similar provisions of state statutory law or common law or (ii) any reimbursement of the Partnership by Indemnitee of any bonus or other incentive-based or equity-based compensation or of any profits realized by Indemnitee from the sale of securities of the Partnership, as required in each case under the Exchange Act (including any such reimbursements that arise from an accounting restatement of the Partnership pursuant to Section 304 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended (the "*Sarbanes-Oxley Act*"), or the payment to the Partnership of profits arising from the purchase and sale by Indemnitee of securities in violation of Section 306 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act); or

(c) in connection with any Proceeding (or any part of any Proceeding) initiated by Indemnitee, including any Proceeding (or any part of any Proceeding) initiated by Indemnitee against the Partnership or its directors, officers, employees or other indemnitees, unless (i) the Board authorized the Proceeding (or any such part of any Proceeding) prior to its initiation or (ii) the Partnership provides the indemnification, in its sole discretion, pursuant to the powers vested in the Partnership under applicable law.

10. <u>Duration of Agreement</u>. All agreements and obligations of the Partnership contained herein shall continue for so long as Indemnitee may have any liability or potential liability by virtue of serving as an officer or director of the General Partner (or is or was serving at the request of the

Partnership as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise) and shall continue thereafter so long as Indemnitee shall be subject to any Proceeding (or any proceeding commenced under <u>Section 7</u> hereof) by reason of Indemnitee's Partnership Status, whether or not Indemnitee is acting or serving in any such capacity at the time any liability or Expense is incurred for which indemnification can be provided under this Agreement. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the parties hereto and their respective successors (including any direct or indirect successor by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise to all or substantially all of the business or assets of the Partnership), assigns, spouses, heirs, executors and personal and legal representatives.

11. <u>Security</u>. To the extent requested by Indemnitee and approved by the Board, the Partnership may at any time and from time to time provide security to Indemnitee for the Partnership's obligations hereunder through an irrevocable bank line of credit, funded trust or other collateral. Any such security, once provided to Indemnitee, may not be revoked or released without the prior written consent of Indemnitee.

#### 12. Enforcement.

(a) The Partnership expressly confirms and agrees that it has entered into this Agreement and assumes the obligations imposed on it hereby in order to induce Indemnitee to serve as an officer or director of the General Partner, and the Partnership acknowledges that Indemnitee is relying upon this Agreement in serving as an officer or director of the General Partner.

(b) This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, oral, written and implied, between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof; provided, however, that this Agreement is a supplement to and in furtherance of the LP Agreement and applicable law, and shall not be deemed a substitute therefor, nor to diminish or abrogate any rights of Indemnitee thereunder.

(c) The Partnership shall not seek from a court, or agree to, a "bar order" which would have the effect of prohibiting or limiting the Indemnitee's rights to receive advancement of Expenses under this Agreement.

- 13. <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement:
  - (a) "Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following events:

(i) any "person" or "group" within the meaning of those terms as used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act ((A) other than Diamondback Energy, Inc. ("*Diamondback*"), the General Partner, the Partnership or any of its subsidiaries, or an affiliate of either the General Partner or the Partnership, (B) any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Partnership or any of its subsidiaries or (C) an underwriter temporarily holding securities pursuant to an offering of such securities) becomes the beneficial owner, directly or indirectly, by way of merger, consolidation, recapitalization, reorganization or otherwise, of 50% or more of the voting power of the voting securities of the General Partner or the Partnership;

(ii) the members or limited partners (as applicable) of the General Partner or the Partnership approve, in one or a series of transactions, a plan of complete liquidation of the General Partner or the Partnership;

(iii) the sale or other disposition by either the General Partner or the Partnership of all or substantially all of its assets in one or more transactions to any person other than an affiliate of the General Partner or the Partnership;

Partnership; or

(iv) the General Partner or an affiliate of the General Partner or the Partnership ceases to be the general partner of the

(v) so long as Diamondback is the sole member of the General Partner and

(1) to the extent Indemnitee has entered into an indemnification agreement with Diamondback, a "Change of Control" as defined under such agreement occurs; or

(2) to the extent Indemnitee has not entered into an indemnification agreement with Diamondback, any of the following events occurs:

(A) the acquisition after the date of this Agreement by any individual, entity or group (within the meaning of Sections 13(d)(3) or 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act) of beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act) of 15% or more of either the then-outstanding shares of common stock of Diamondback (the "*Outstanding Common Stock*") or the combined voting power of the then-outstanding voting securities of Diamondback entitled to vote generally in the election of directors of Diamondback (the "*Outstanding Voting Securities*"); provided, however, that none of the following acquisitions will constitute a Change of Control: (v) any acquisition directly from Diamondback or any Controlled Affiliate of Diamondback; (w) any acquisition by Diamondback or any Controlled Affiliate of Diamondback; (w) any acquisition by Diamondback or any Controlled Affiliate of Diamondback; or (y) any acquisition by any entity or its security holders pursuant to a transaction that complies with clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) of Section 13(a)(y)(2)(C);

(B) individuals who, as of the date of this Agreement, constitute the board of directors of Diamondback (the "*Incumbent Directors*") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the board of directors of Diamondback; provided, however, that any individual who becomes a director of Diamondback subsequent to the date of this Agreement and whose election or appointment by the board of directors of Diamondback or nomination for election by Diamondback's stockholders was approved by a vote of at least a majority of the then Incumbent Directors will be considered as an Incumbent Director, unless such individual's initial assumption of office occurs as a result of an actual or threatened election contest with respect to the election or removal of directors of Diamondback or other actual or threatened solicitation of proxies or consents by or on behalf of a person or entity other than of Diamondback;

(C) the consummation of a reorganization, merger, statutory share exchange or consolidation or similar corporate transaction

involving Diamondback or any of its subsidiaries, a sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of Diamondback or an acquisition of assets or stock of another entity by Diamondback or any of its subsidiaries (each a "Business Combination") unless, in each case, following such Business Combination (i) all or substantially all of the individuals and entities that were the beneficial owners of the Outstanding Common Stock and Outstanding Voting Securities immediately prior to such Business Combination beneficially own, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the thenoutstanding shares of common stock and the combined voting power of the then-outstanding voting securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, as the case may be, of the corporation resulting from such Business Combination (including a corporation that, as a result of such Business Combination, owns Diamondback or all or substantially all of Diamondback's assets either directly or through one or more subsidiaries) in substantially the same proportions as their ownership immediately prior to such Business Combination of the Outstanding Common Stock and the Outstanding Voting Securities, as the case may be, (ii) no person or entity (excluding (a) any entity resulting from such Business Combination or (b) any employee benefit plan (or related trust) of Diamondback or the corporation resulting from such Business Combination) beneficially owns, directly or indirectly 15% or more of either the then-outstanding shares of common stock of the corporation resulting from such Business Combination or the combined voting power of the then-outstanding voting securities of such corporation, except to the extent that such ownership existed prior to such Business Combination, and (iii) at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of the corporation resulting from such Business Combination were Incumbent Directors at the time of the execution of the initial agreement, or of the action of the board of directors of Diamondback, providing for such Business Combination; or

(D) the approval by the stockholders of Diamondback of a complete liquidation or dissolution of Diamondback.

For the avoidance of doubt, <u>Section 13(a)(v)(2)</u> shall be effective only to the extent Indemnitee has not entered into an indemnification agreement with Diamondback.

(b) "*Partnership Status*" describes the status of a person who is or was a director, officer, partner, trustee, member, employee, agent or fiduciary of the General Partner or of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, limited liability company, employee benefit plan or other enterprise that such person is or was serving at the express written request of the Partnership.

(c) "*Controlled Affiliate*" means any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust or other Enterprise, whether or not for profit, that is directly or indirectly controlled by Diamondback. For purposes of this definition, the term "control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct, or cause the direction of, the management or policies of an Enterprise, whether through the ownership of voting securities, through other voting rights, by contract or otherwise. For the purposes of this definition, "Enterprise" shall mean Diamondback and any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise that Indemnitee is or was serving at the express written request of Diamondback as a director, officer, partner, trustee, member, employee, agent or fiduciary.

(d) "*Disinterested Director*" means a director of the General Partner who is not and was not a party to the Proceeding in respect of which indemnification is sought by Indemnitee.

(e) "*Enterprise*" shall mean the Partnership (or, where the context requires, the General Partner) and any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise that Indemnitee is or was serving at the express written request of the Partnership as a director, manager, officer, partner, trustee, partner, member, employee, agent or fiduciary.

(f) "*Expenses*" shall include all reasonable attorneys' fees, retainers, court costs, transcript costs, fees of experts, witness fees, travel expenses, duplicating costs, printing and binding costs, telephone charges, postage, delivery service fees and all other disbursements or expenses of the types customarily incurred in connection with prosecuting, defending, preparing to prosecute or defend, investigating, participating, or being or preparing to be a witness in a Proceeding, or responding to, or objecting to, a request to provide discovery in any Proceeding. Expenses also shall include Expenses incurred in connection with any appeal resulting from any Proceeding and any federal, state, local or foreign taxes imposed on the Indemnitee as a result of the actual or deemed receipt of any payments under this Agreement, including without limitation the premium, security for, and other costs relating to any cost bond, supersede as bond, or other appeal bond or its equivalent. Expenses, however, shall not include amounts paid in settlement by Indemnitee or the amount of judgments or fines against Indemnitee.

(g) "Independent Counsel" means a law firm, or a member of a law firm, that is experienced in matters of public companies, fiduciary duties, indemnity matters and corporation, limited partnership and limited liability company law, and neither presently is, nor in the past five (5) years has been, retained to represent: (i) the Partnership or Indemnitee in any matter material to either such party (other than with respect to matters concerning Indemnitee under this Agreement, or of other indemnitees under similar indemnification agreements), or (ii) any other party to the Proceeding giving rise to a claim for indemnification hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Independent Counsel" shall not include any person who, under the applicable standards of professional conduct then prevailing, would have a conflict of interest in representing either the Partnership or Indemnitee in an action to determine Indemnitee's rights under this Agreement. The Partnership agrees to pay the reasonable fees of the Independent Counsel referred to above and to fully indemnify such counsel against any and all Expenses, claims, liabilities and damages arising out of or relating to this Agreement or its engagement pursuant hereto.

(h) "**Proceeding**" includes any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, arbitration, alternate dispute resolution mechanism, investigation, inquiry, administrative hearing or any other actual, threatened or completed proceeding, whether brought by or in the right of the Partnership or otherwise and whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, in which Indemnitee was, is or will be involved as a party or otherwise, by reason of Indemnitee's Partnership Status, by reason of any action taken by him or of any inaction on his part while acting in Indemnitee's Partnership Status; in each case whether or not he is acting or serving in any such capacity at the time any liability or expense is incurred for which indemnification can be provided under this Agreement; including one pending on or before the date of this Agreement, but excluding one initiated by an Indemnitee pursuant to <u>Section 7</u> of this Agreement to enforce his rights under this Agreement.

14. <u>Severability</u>. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision hereof shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, this Agreement is intended to confer upon Indemnitee indemnification rights to the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws. In the event any provision hereof conflicts with any applicable law, such provision shall be deemed modified, consistent with the aforementioned intent, to the extent necessary to resolve such conflict.

15. <u>Modification and Waiver</u>. No supplement, modification, termination or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in writing by both of the parties hereto. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provisions hereof (whether or not similar) nor shall such waiver constitute a continuing waiver.

16. <u>Notice By Indemnitee</u>. Indemnitee agrees promptly to notify the Partnership in writing upon being served with or otherwise receiving any summons, citation, subpoena, complaint, indictment, information or other document relating to any Proceeding or matter which may be subject to indemnification covered hereunder. The failure to so notify the Partnership shall not relieve the Partnership of any obligation which it may have to Indemnitee under this Agreement or otherwise unless and only to the extent that such failure or delay materially prejudices the Partnership.

17. <u>Notices</u>. All notices and other communications given or made pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed effectively given: (a) upon personal delivery to the party to be notified, (b) when sent by confirmed electronic mail if sent during normal business hours of the recipient, and if not so confirmed, then on the next business day, (c) five (5) days after having been sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, or (d) one (1) day after deposit with a nationally recognized overnight courier, specifying next day delivery, with written verification of receipt. All communications shall be sent:

(a) To Indemnitee at:

(b)	To the Partnership at:

Rattler Midstream LP 500 West Texas Avenue Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 E-Mail: MZmigrosky@diamondbackenergy.com Attention: General Counsel

or to such other address as may have been furnished to Indemnitee by the Partnership or to the Partnership by Indemnitee, as the case may be.

18. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement. This Agreement may also be executed and delivered by facsimile signature and in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

19. <u>Headings</u>. The headings of the paragraphs of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not be deemed to constitute part of this Agreement or to affect the construction thereof.

20. <u>Governing Law and Consent to Jurisdiction</u>. This Agreement and the legal relations among the parties shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to its conflict of laws rules. The Partnership and Indemnitee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally (i) agree that any action or proceeding arising out of or in connection with

this Agreement shall be brought only in the Chancery Court of the State of Delaware (the "*Delaware Court*"), and not in any other state or federal court in the United States of America or any court in any other country, (ii) consent to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Delaware Court for purposes of any action or proceeding arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, (iii) waive any objection to the laying of venue of any such action or proceeding in the Delaware Court, and (iv) waive, and agree not to plead or to make, any claim that any such action or proceeding brought in the Delaware Court has been brought in an improper or inconvenient forum.

21. <u>Secondary Liability.</u> The General Partner hereby agrees to be secondarily liable for all obligations of the Partnership with respect to indemnification, advancement of Expenses and contribution contained in this Agreement if and to the extent that any such obligations are not satisfied in full by the Partnership.

## [Signature Page Follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Indemnification Agreement on and as of the day and year first above written.

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

# By: RATTLER MIDSTREAM GP LLC, its general partner

By:

Name:	Teresa L. Dick
Title:	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer
	and Assistant Secretary

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM GP LLC

By:

 Name:
 Teresa L. Dick

 Title:
 Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

[Signature Page to Indemnification Agreement]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Indemnification Agreement on and as of the day and year first above written.

# INDEMNITEE

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# EQUITY CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT

# **BY AND BETWEEN**

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

AND

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM OPERATING LLC

#### EQUITY CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT

This Equity Contribution Agreement (this "*Agreement*"), dated as of May 28, 2019, is entered into by and between Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "*Partnership*"), and Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "*Rattler LLC*").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, in connection with the proposed initial public offering of common units of the Partnership (the "*IPO*"), the Partnership intends to use \$631,750,000 of the net proceeds from the IPO to make a capital contribution to Rattler LLC in exchange for 38,000,000 units of Rattler LLC (the "*Rattler LLC Units*") upon the terms and conditions set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I. DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01 *Definitions*. The following definitions shall be for all purposes, unless otherwise clearly indicated to the contrary, applied to the terms used in this Agreement. Capitalized terms used herein but not defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Limited Liability Company Agreement.

"Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"Business Day" means Monday through Friday of each Week, except that a legal holiday recognized as such by the government of the United States of America or the State of Texas shall not be regarded as a Business Day.

"Closing" means the closing of the issuance of the Rattler LLC Units by Rattler LLC to the Partnership under this Agreement.

"Closing Date" means the closing date of the IPO.

"IPO" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"*Limited Liability Company Agreement*" means the Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company Agreement of Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, dated February 18, 2019, as it may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"*Partnership*" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"*Person*" means an individual or a corporation, firm, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, unincorporated organization, association, government agency or political subdivision thereof or other entity.

"*Rattler LLC*" has the meaning set forth in the preamble.

"Rattler LLC Units" has the meaning set forth in the recitals.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time, and any successor to such statute.

#### ARTICLE II. PURCHASE OF RATTLER LLC UNITS

Section 2.01 On the Closing Date, (i) the Partnership will make a capital contribution to Rattler LLC of \$631,750,000 and (ii) Rattler LLC will issue to the Partnership 38,000,000 Rattler LLC Units.

## ARTICLE III. CLOSING

Section 3.01 At the Closing, each of the Partnership and Rattler LLC shall take, or cause to be taken, all such actions and shall execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, all such documents (within its power to do so) required to effect the issuance of Rattler LLC Units to the Partnership as provided herein.

Section 3.02 At least one Business Day prior to the Closing Date, Rattler LLC shall deliver to the Partnership instructions designating the account or accounts to which the capital contribution shall be deposited by federal funds wire transfer on the Closing Date.

## ARTICLE IV. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

Section 4.01 *Organization; Authority; Valid and Binding Agreement.* Each of the parties hereto hereby represents and warrants to the other, as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date, that (i) it is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of organization, (ii) it has the corporate or other similar power and authority, and has taken all necessary corporate or other similar action, as applicable, to authorize, execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Agreement, (iii) this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it, (iv) this Agreement, when executed and delivered by such party, assuming due execution and delivery hereof by the other party hereto, is a legal, valid and binding obligation of it, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, fraudulent conveyance, moratorium or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and (v) the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Agreement does not (a) require any material governmental filing or governmental approval or any material consent or approval of such party's stockholders, partners, members or any other third parties, except for such filings that have been, or will as promptly as reasonably practicable hereafter be, made and such consents or approvals that have been obtained, or will as promptly as reasonably practicable hereafter be, or (b) materially violate or conflict with, result in a material breach of, or constitute a material default under any of its organizational documents or any agreements by which it is bound.



Section 4.02 Additional Representations and Warranties of Rattler LLC. Rattler LLC hereby further represents and warrants to the Partnership, as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date, that the Rattler LLC Units to be issued to the Partnership hereunder have been duly authorized and, when issued and delivered by Rattler LLC pursuant to the Limited Liability Company Agreement against payment of the consideration set forth herein, will be validly issued and fully paid (to the extent required under the Limited Liability Company Agreement) and nonassessable (except as such nonassessability may be affected by Section 18-607 and 18-804 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act).

#### Section 4.03 Additional Representations and Warranties of the Partnership.

(a) The Partnership hereby further represents and warrants, as of the Closing Date, that the Partnership shall have available funds sufficient to make the capital contribution to Rattler LLC as contemplated herein, subject to the understanding of the parties hereto that such capital contribution shall be funded solely through the net proceeds received by the Partnership from the sale of its common units to the underwriters in the IPO.

(b) The Partnership further hereby represents and warrants to Rattler LLC, as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date, that (i) the Rattler LLC Units it is acquiring under this Agreement are being acquired for its own account and not with a view to any offering or distribution within the meaning of the Securities Act and any applicable state securities laws, (ii) it has no present intention of selling or otherwise disposing of such Rattler LLC Units or any portion thereof in violation of such laws, (iii) it has sufficient knowledge and expertise in financial and business matters so as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of acquiring such Rattler LLC Units and (iv) it understands that such Rattler LLC Units (a) have not been registered under the Securities Act and (b) may not be sold or transferred in the absence of such registration or an exemption from such registration.

Section 4.04 Certain Damages and Remedies. THE PARTIES HERETO EXPRESSLY WAIVE AND FOREGO ANY RIGHT TO RECOVER PUNITIVE, EXEMPLARY, INDIRECT, SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR SIMILAR DAMAGES (INCLUDING LOST PROFITS, LOSS OR CORRUPTION OF DATA OR DAMAGE DUE TO ANY IMPAIRMENT OF OPERATIONS) ARISING FROM OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT (INCLUDING ANY ASSIGNMENTS OR TRANSFERS MADE OR RIGHTS GRANTED), WHETHER SUCH CLAIM IS BASED ON WARRANTY, CONTRACT, TORT (INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE OR STRICT LIABILITY) OR OTHERWISE, EVEN IF AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF SUCH PARTY IS ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OR LIKELIHOOD OF THE SAME.

### ARTICLE V. FURTHER ASSURANCES

Section 5.01 Each of the parties hereto hereby agrees, at its own cost and expense, from and after the date hereof, to do, or cause to be done, all such acts and things, and to execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, all such documents, notices, instruments and agreements, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to the provisions and intent of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE VI. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

Section 6.01 This Agreement (together with any exhibits, annexes, schedules and the other agreements, documents and instruments (i) incorporated or referenced hereby or delivered in connection herewith or (ii) related to or entered into in connection with the IPO, to the extent relating to the subject matter hereof) constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes and cancels all previous agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, between the parties hereto with respect to such subject matter.

# ARTICLE VII. MISCELLANEOUS

Section 7.01 *Notices*. Any notice, statement, demand, claim, offer or other written instrument required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing signed by the party hereto giving such notice and shall be sent by email, hand messenger delivery, overnight courier service, or certified mail (receipt requested) to the other party hereto at the address set forth below; *provided* that to be effective any such notice sent originally by email must be followed within two Business Days by a copy of such notice sent by overnight courier service:

If to the Partnership:

Rattler Midstream LP 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Email: MZmigrosky@diamondbackenergy.com Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky, General Counsel

If to Rattler LLC:

Rattler Midstream Operating LLC 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Email: MZmigrosky@diamondbackenergy.com Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky, General Counsel

Each Party shall have the right to change the place to which notices shall be sent or delivered or to specify one additional address to which copies of notices may be sent, in either case

by similar notice sent or delivered in like manner to the other Party. Without limiting any other means by which a Party may be able to prove that a notice has been received by another Party, all notices and communications shall be deemed to have been duly given: (i) at the time delivered by hand, if personally delivered; (ii) five Business Days after being deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, if mailed by first class certified mail, receipt requested; (iii) when received, if sent by email, if received prior to 5 p.m., recipient's time, on a Business Day, or on the next Business Day, if received later than 5 p.m., recipient's time; and (iv) on the next Business Day after timely delivery to the courier, if sent by overnight air courier guaranteeing next day delivery. In any case hereunder in which a Party is required or permitted to respond to a notice from another Party within a specified period, such period shall run from the date on which the notice was deemed duly given as above provided, and the response shall be considered to be timely given if given as above provided by the last day of the period provided for such response.

Section 7.02 *Successors and Assigns.* Except as contemplated by <u>Section 7.05</u>, neither this Agreement nor any of the rights or obligations hereunder shall be assigned by any of the parties hereto without the prior written consent of the other parties. Subject to the preceding sentence, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the parties and their respective successors and assigns.

Section 7.03 *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts (which may be delivered by electronic transmission). Each counterpart when so executed and delivered shall be deemed an original, and both such counterparts taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Section 7.04 *Parties in Interest.* This Agreement is binding upon and is for the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns. This Agreement is not made for the benefit of any Person not a party hereto, and no Person other than the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns will acquire or have any benefit, right, remedy or claim under or by virtue of this Agreement.

Section 7.05 *Captions*. All Section titles or captions contained in this Agreement or in the table of contents of this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not be deemed to be a part of this Agreement or affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement

Section 7.06 *Assignment.* No party will convey, assign or otherwise transfer either this Agreement or any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other party hereto (in each of such party's sole and absolute discretion). Any such prohibited conveyance, assignment or transfer without the prior written consent of the other party hereto will be void *ab initio*.

Section 7.07 *Severability*. Whenever possible each provision and term of this Agreement will be interpreted in a manner to be effective and valid. If any term or provision of this Agreement or the application of any such term or provision to any Person or circumstance shall be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions hereof, or the application of such term or provision to Persons or circumstances other than those as to which it has been held invalid, illegal or unenforceable, will remain in full force and effect and will in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated thereby. If any term or provision

of this Agreement is held to be prohibited or invalid, then such term or provision will be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity without invalidating or affecting in any manner whatsoever the remainder of such term or provision or the other terms and provisions of this Agreement. Upon determination that any other term or provision of this Agreement is invalid, void, illegal or unenforceable, a court of competent jurisdiction will modify such term or provision so as to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible in an acceptable manner to the end that the transactions contemplated hereby are fulfilled to the fullest extent possible under the applicable laws.

Section 7.08 *Expenses*. Each party shall bear its own expenses in connection with this Agreement, except as otherwise expressly provided herein.

Section 7.09 *Amendment, Modification and Waiver.* This Agreement may be modified, amended or supplemented only by written agreement executed by the parties hereto. Any failure of a party to comply with any obligation or agreement hereunder may only be waived in writing by the other party, but such waiver shall not operate as a waiver of, or estoppel with respect to, any subsequent or other failure. No failure by a party to take any action with respect to any breach of this Agreement or default by the other party shall constitute a waiver of such party's right to enforce any provision hereof or to take any such action.

Section 7.10 *Termination*. This Agreement shall terminate upon the consummation of Rattler LLC's issuance of Rattler LLC Units set forth herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the obligations of the parties hereto under <u>Section 4.04</u> of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect following such time.

#### Section 7.11 Applicable Law; Forum; Venue and Jurisdiction; Waiver of Trial by Jury.

(a) This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law.

# (b) Each of the parties hereto:

(i) irrevocably agrees that any claims, suits, actions or proceedings arising out of or relating in any way to this Agreement (including any claims, suits or actions to interpret, apply or enforce the provisions of this Agreement or the duties, obligations or liabilities between the parties hereto, or the rights or powers of, or restrictions on, the parties hereto) shall be exclusively brought in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or, if such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction thereof, any other court located in the State of Delaware with subject matter jurisdiction), in each case regardless of whether such claims, suits, actions or proceedings sound in contract, tort, fraud or otherwise, are based on common law, statutory, equitable, legal or other grounds, or are derivative or direct claims;

(ii) irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or, if such court does not have subject matter jurisdiction thereof, any other court located in the State of Delaware with subject matter jurisdiction) in connection with any such claim, suit, action or proceeding;

(iii) agrees not to, and waives any right to, assert in any such claim, suit, action or proceeding that (A) it is not personally subject to the jurisdiction of the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware or of any other court to which proceedings in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware may be appealed, (B) such claim, suit, action or proceeding is brought in an inconvenient forum, or (C) the venue of such claim, suit, action or proceeding is improper;

(iv) expressly waives any requirement for the posting of a bond by a party bringing such claim, suit, action or proceeding;

(v) consents to process being served in any such claim, suit, action or proceeding by mailing, certified mail, return receipt requested, a copy thereof to such party at the address in effect for notices hereunder, and agrees that such services shall constitute good and sufficient service of process and notice thereof; *provided*, nothing in this clause (v) shall affect or limit any right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law; and

(vi) IRREVOCABLY WAIVES THE RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY SUCH CLAIM, SUIT, ACTION OR PROCEEDING.

[Signature Page Follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized officers as of the date first written above.

# **Rattler Midstream LP**

By: Rattler Midstream GP LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

 Name:
 Teresa L. Dick

 Title:
 Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

# **Rattler Midstream Operating LLC**

 By:
 /s/ Teresa L. Dick

 Name:
 Teresa L. Dick

 Title:
 Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

[Signature Page to Equity Contribution Agreement]

## SERVICES AND SECONDMENT AGREEMENT

#### AMONG

# DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

# DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM GP LLC

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

## AND

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM OPERATING LLC

#### SERVICES AND SECONDMENT AGREEMENT

This Services and Secondment Agreement (this "**Agreement**"), dated as of May 28, 2019 (the "**Effective Date**"), is entered into among Diamondback Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("**Diamondback**"), Diamondback E&P LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("**E&P**"), Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "**General Partner**"), Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "**Partnership**") and Rattler Midstream Operating LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("**OpCo**"). Diamondback, E&P, the General Partner, the Partnership and OpCo are sometimes herein referred to individually as a "**Party**" and collectively as the "**Partnes**."

#### **RECITALS:**

WHEREAS, the General Partner is the general partner of the Partnership that through OpCo and its Subsidiaries (as defined below) is engaged in the business of crude oil gathering, metering and transportation; natural gas gathering, compression, metering and transportation; fresh water sourcing, storage and distribution; produced water collection, cleaning, recycling and disposal; and other related assets and businesses;

WHEREAS, Diamondback has (a) expertise in the management, construction, design, maintenance and operation of midstream infrastructure assets, including crude oil gathering and long-haul pipelines, natural gas gathering pipelines, centralized gathering facilities, fresh water distribution and storage systems, and produced water pipelines and cleaning, recycling and disposal facilities, (b) unique knowledge of the management, maintenance and operation of the Fasken Center in Midland, Texas (the "Fasken Center") and (c) centralized general and administrative services that OpCo and its affiliates have historically relied upon in connection with the ownership and operation of its assets;

WHEREAS, Diamondback can make available, or cause to be made available, to the Partnership Parties (as defined below) the personnel necessary to perform (a) such management, construction, design, maintenance and operational functions with respect to assets owned by the Midstream Group (as defined below) and (b) general and administrative services relating to operating the business of the Midstream Group; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire that Diamondback provide, or cause to be provided, to the Partnership Parties personnel necessary to manage, construct, design, maintain and operate the Midstream Group's assets, including the Fasken Center, and, in connection therewith, that Diamondback second, or cause to be seconded, certain personnel to the Partnership Parties.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

### ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

**1.1** *Definitions*. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined in this Agreement shall have the following respective meanings, unless context clearly requires otherwise:

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person that directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries Controls, is Controlled by or is under common Control with, the Person in question. For purposes of this Agreement, none of the Midstream Group shall be deemed to be an Affiliate of any Diamondback Entity nor shall any Diamondback Entity be deemed to be an Affiliate of any of the Midstream Group.

"**Agreement**" shall mean this Services and Secondment Agreement, together with all Exhibits attached hereto, as the same may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time in accordance with the provisions hereof.

"Allocation Percentage" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.

"**Benefit Plans**" means any employee benefit plans and any insurance programs that Diamondback or any of the Diamondback Entities now maintains or in the future may maintain for the benefit of the Seconded Employees or their dependents, including: deferred compensation, profit sharing, retirement, retiree medical, 401(k), cafeteria, medical, and disability plans, workers' compensation insurance, life insurance, accidental death and dismemberment insurance, long-term disability insurance, business travel and accident insurance, and any EAP.

"**Business Day**" means Monday through Friday of each week, except that a legal holiday recognized as such by the government of the United States of America or the State of Texas shall not be regarded as a Business Day.

"**Control**" or "**control**" (including the terms "controlled" and "controlling") means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise.

"Diamondback" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement.

"Diamondback Entities" means Diamondback, E&P and all of their direct and indirect Subsidiaries, other than any of the Partnership Parties.

"E&P" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement.

"EAP" means Employee Assistance Program.

"Effective Date" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement.

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

"ERISA Affiliate" means any entity that would be treated as a single employer with Diamondback under Sections 414(b), (c) or (m) of the Code or Section 4001(b)(1) of ERISA.

"Fasken Center" has the meaning set forth in the recitals to this Agreement.

"General Partner" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement; provided that such term shall include its successors and permitted assigns that are admitted to the Partnership as general partner of the Partnership, in its capacity as general partner of the Partnership (except as the context otherwise requires).

"Losses" means any and all costs, expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees), claims, demands, losses, liabilities, obligations, actions, lawsuits and other proceedings, judgments and awards.

"Midstream Group" means, collectively, the Partnership, OpCo and its Subsidiaries.

"OpCo" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement.

"Partnership" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement.

"**Partnership Agreement**" means the First Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership of the Partnership, dated as of the Effective Date, as the same may be amended, supplemented or restated from time to time.

"Partnership Parties" means the General Partner and the Midstream Group.

"Party" has the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement.

"Period of Secondment" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.4.

"**Person**" means an individual or a corporation, firm, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, unincorporated organization, association, government agency or political subdivision thereof or other entity.

"Seconded Contractor Expenses" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(b).

"Seconded Contractors" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.5.

"Seconded Employee Expenses" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(a).

"Seconded Employees" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.4.

"Seconded Person Expenses" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(b).

"Seconded Persons" means, collectively, the Seconded Employees and the Seconded Contractors.

"Secondment" means each assignment of any Seconded Persons to the Partnership Parties from Diamondback or any Diamondback Entities in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

"Services" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.1.

#### "Services Reimbursement" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.

"**Subsidiary**" means, with respect to any Person, (a) a corporation of which more than 50% of the voting power of shares entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors or other governing body of such corporation is owned, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, by such Person, by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or a combination thereof, (b) a partnership (whether general or limited) in which such Person or a Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, controls such partnership, but only if such Person, directly or by one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, controls such partnership, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination or (c) any other Person in which such Person, one or more Subsidiaries of such Person, or a combination thereof, directly or indirectly, at the date of determination, has (i) a majority ownership interest or (ii) the power to elect or direct the election of a majority of the directors or other governing body of such Person. For purposes of this Agreement, none of the Midstream Group shall be deemed to be a Subsidiary of Diamondback nor shall Diamondback or E&P be deemed a Subsidiary of any of the Midstream Group.

#### ARTICLE 2 SECONDMENT

**2.1** Diamondback shall provide, or cause to be provided, to the Partnership Parties the Seconded Persons to (a) perform the activities related to the Partnership Parties' respective obligations under each of the agreements listed in <u>Exhibit A</u>, (b) otherwise perform the day-to-day management of the assets of the Midstream Group and the business conducted, or to be conducted, by the Partnership Parties described in <u>Exhibit A</u>, (c) to design, build, construct and otherwise install the infrastructure required by (or necessary or convenient to provide the services required under) the agreements listed in <u>Exhibit A</u> and (d) perform the management, general and administrative services described in <u>Exhibit A</u>, to be received by the General Partner, for the benefit of the Partnership Parties, at the places of business of the General Partner ((a) through (d) collectively referred to herein as the "**Services**").

2.2 Subject to Diamondback's right to be reimbursed for such expenses in accordance with this Agreement, Diamondback shall pay (or shall cause E&P to pay) all expenses incurred by it in connection with the retention of the Seconded Persons, including, but not limited to, Seconded Employee compensation, salaries, wages, benefit costs, overhead and administrative expenses, charged to or incurred by Diamondback or E&P, and, if applicable, social security taxes, workers compensation insurance, retirement and insurance benefits and other such expenses. Any Seconded Employees retained by the Diamondback Entities may be union or non-union employees, and the Diamondback Entities shall have the sole right to negotiate the terms and provisions of any labor or other agreements with the unions to which such employees belong.

**2.3** Diamondback shall provide, or cause to be provided, such suitably qualified and experienced Seconded Persons as Diamondback is able to make available to the Partnership Parties, and the Partnership Parties shall have the right to approve such Seconded Persons.

**2.4** During the term of this Agreement, Diamondback or E&P shall second employees of the Diamondback Entities that provide the Services to the Partnership Parties. Each employee who Diamondback or E&P seconds to the Partnership Parties shall, during the time that such employee is seconded to the Partnership Parties under this Agreement (the "**Period of Secondment**"), be referred to individually herein as a "**Seconded Employee**" and, collectively, as the "**Seconded Employees**."

**2.5** During the term of this Agreement, Diamondback shall second, or cause to be seconded, contractors of the Diamondback Entities that provide the Services to the Partnership Parties. Each such contractor shall, during the Period of Secondment, be referred to individually herein as a "Seconded Contractor" and, collectively, as the "Seconded Contractors," and together with the Seconded Employees, the "Seconded Persons."

2.6 The Seconded Employees will remain at all times employees of the applicable Diamondback Entities. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties acknowledge that Seconded Persons may, during the Period of Secondment, be called upon to perform services for both the Partnership Parties and the Diamondback Entities. The Diamondback Entities retain the right to terminate the Secondment of any Seconded Persons for any reason at any time or to discharge the Seconded Employees with respect to their employment with the Diamondback Entities. During the Term, the Partnership Parties shall have the right to request that Diamondback remove any individual from the roster of Seconded Employee upon written request by any Partnership Party. Diamondback shall have the sole right, with or without the consent of the Partnership Parties, to terminate the employment of any Seconded Employee. However, the parties agree that the Partnership Parties shall have the sole right to determine the level of Services required from the Seconded Persons and its satisfaction with the performance of such Services by the Seconded Employees in connection with the Services and that Diamondback will use commercially reasonable efforts to provide Seconded Employees in a manner consistent with the needs expressed by any Partnership Party, but at no time will any Partnership Party have the right to terminate any Seconded Person, including any Seconded Employee's employment by a Diamondback Entity or a Seconded Contractor's independent contractor relationship with a Diamondback Entity. Upon the termination of the Secondment of any Secondment of any Seconded Persons, such Seconded Persons will cease performing Services for the Partnership Parties.

(a) The Parties agree that Diamondback and each of its Affiliates and agents shall perform the Services hereunder in the capacity of an independent contractor. The Seconded Employees shall continue to be the common law employees of the Diamondback Entities and shall have no employment or contractual relationship with the Partnership Parties during the Term. The Partnership Parties shall not hold out the Seconded Employees as agents of Diamondback in the course of the performance by the Seconded Employees of their duties in respect of the Services.

(b) The Partnership Parties shall be responsible for specifying to Diamondback the day-to-day manner of operations and assignments for Seconded Employees and reviewing the work performed by the Seconded Employees to determine whether the Services rendered in connection with the Agreement are consistent with the results to be achieved, as specified by the Partnership Parties. Nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Partnership Parties from hiring

or employing any employees during the Term of this Agreement; provided, however, that the Diamondback Entities shall have no obligation to provide and shall not provide any employee benefits, payroll or HR Services to or with respect to any employees of the Partnership Parties.

2.7 Each Party shall nominate a representative to act as its primary contact with respect to the provision of the Services contemplated by this Agreement (each, a "Service Coordinator"). The initial Service Coordinators shall be designated by the respective parties following the Effective Date. Unless otherwise agreed, all notices and communications relating to this Agreement, other than those day-to-day communications and billings relating to the actual provision of the Services, shall be directed to the Service Coordinators. In the course and scope of performing any job functions for the Partnership Parties, each Seconded Employee will report to the Diamondback management structure and the Diamondback management structure, through the Diamondback Service Coordinator will report into the Partnership Parties' management structure through the Partnership Parties Service Coordinator. However, Seconded Employees will be under the direct management, supervision and control of the Diamondback Entities with respect to such Seconded Employee's performance of the Services, with Seconded Contractors remaining at the direction of the respective contractor. No Seconded Contractors shall have the authority or apparent authority to act on behalf of any Diamondback Entity in connection with the performance of the Services during any Period of Secondment.

**2.8** Those Seconded Employees who serve as supervisors or managers and who are called upon to oversee the work of other Seconded Employees providing or to otherwise provide management support on behalf of the Parties are designated by the Diamondback Entities as supervisors to act on the behalf of the Diamondback Entities in supervising the Seconded Employees pursuant to <u>Section 2.7</u> above. Any such Seconded Employee will be acting on the behalf of the Diamondback Entities when supervising the work of the Seconded Employees or when they are otherwise providing management or executive support in connection with the Services performed on behalf of the Partnership Parties.

**2.9** Diamondback shall, or shall cause a Diamondback Entity to, obtain workers' compensation coverage as defined and required by law on behalf of both the Diamondback Entities and the Partnership Parties.

**2.10** The Partnership Parties may terminate any of the Services performed by Seconded Persons on thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Diamondback. In the event the Partnership Parties, or any of them, terminates such Services, the Partnership Parties shall pay Diamondback the Services Reimbursement (as defined below) for the last month (or portion thereof) in which it received such terminated Services. Upon payment thereof, the Partnership Parties shall have no further Services payment obligations to Diamondback pursuant to this Agreement with respect to such terminated Services.

**2.11** No Partnership Party shall be deemed to be a participating employer in any Benefit Plans during the Period of Secondment. Subject to the Partnership Parties' reimbursement obligations hereunder, Diamondback (or another Diamondback Entity) shall remain solely responsible for all obligations and liabilities arising under the express terms of the Benefit Plans, and the Seconded Employees will be covered under the Benefit Plans subject to and in accordance with their respective terms and conditions, as they may be amended from time to time.

Diamondback and its ERISA Affiliates may amend or terminate any Benefit Plans in whole or in part at any time (subject to the applicable provisions of any collective bargaining agreement covering Seconded Employees, if any). During the Period of Secondment, no member of the Partnership Parties shall assume any Benefit Plans or have any obligations, liabilities or rights arising under the express terms of the Benefit Plans, in each case except for cost reimbursement pursuant to this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 3 EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

**3.1** The Partnership Parties shall reimburse Diamondback or E&P, as applicable, for all reimbursable expenses under <u>Section 3.2</u> incurred by the Diamondback Entities with respect to Seconded Persons, as applicable (including, where applicable, former Seconded Employees), in connection with the performance of the Services during the preceding period (the "**Services Reimbursement**"). The Services Reimbursement shall be made on a monthly basis or at such other intervals as the Parties may agree from time to time.

**3.2** (a) The Services Reimbursement with respect to Seconded Employees for each period during the Period of Secondment shall include all reasonable costs and expenses (including administrative and benefits costs) incurred for such period by Diamondback Entities for the Seconded Employees (including, where applicable, former Seconded Employees), including but not limited to the following costs and expenses set forth below:

- (i) salary, wages and cash bonuses (including payroll and withholding taxes associated therewith);
- (ii) amounts paid with respect any Seconded Employee's paid leave of absence;
- (iii) contributions made by or expenses incurred by a Diamondback Entity towards any Benefit Plans (including incurred but unreported and incurred but unpaid claims incurred during the Period of Secondment and subsequent liabilities attributable to the performance of the Services incurred for such period by Diamondback Entities with respect to the Period of Secondment);
- (iv) the value of equity-related compensation granted to Seconded Employees during the Period of Secondment;
- (v) any other employee benefit or compensation arrangement customarily provided to all employees by Diamondback for which Diamondback incurs costs with respect to Seconded Employees; and
- (vi) business travel expenses and other business expenses reimbursed in the normal course by Diamondback, such as subscriptions to business- related periodicals and dues to professional business organizations.

The costs and expenses described in this <u>Section 3.2(a)</u> are referred to as "**Seconded Employee Expenses**." Where it is not reasonably practicable to determine the amount of such a cost or expense, the Partnership Parties and Diamondback shall mutually agree on the method of

determining or estimating such cost or expense. If the actual amount of any cost or expense, once known, varies from the estimate used for billing purposes hereunder, the difference, once determined, shall be reflected as either a credit or additional charge in the next monthly invoice issued by a Diamondback Entity, or in such manner as may be otherwise agreed between Diamondback and the General Partner. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties agree that to determine the value of a Second Employee's non-wage benefits described in subsections (iii) and (v) of this <u>Section 3.2(a)</u>, they will apply an agreed percentage benefit load, based on the value of employee benefits provided to all employees of the Diamondback Entities.

(b) The Services Reimbursement with respect to Seconded Contractors for each period during the Period of Secondment shall include, on a pass-through basis, all costs and expenses attributable to the performance of the Services incurred for such period by Diamondback Entities with respect to the Seconded Contractors. The costs and expenses described in this <u>Section 3.2(b)</u> are referred to as "**Seconded Contractor Expenses**," and together with the Seconded Employee Expenses, the "**Seconded Person Expenses**."

3.3 With respect to those Seconded Persons who perform services for both the Diamondback Entities and the Partnership Parties, the Parties will determine in good faith the percentage of such Seconded Person's time spent providing services to the Partnership Parties (the "Allocation **Percentage**"). For each month, or other time interval agreed to by the Parties, during the Period of Secondment, the amount of the Services Reimbursement payable by the Partnership Parties with respect to each Seconded Person shall be calculated by multiplying the Seconded Person Expenses for such Seconded Person times the Allocation Percentage for such Seconded Person; provided, however, that travel expenses and other expenses incurred with respect to and/or reimbursable to a Seconded Person shall be paid by the Party for whom the Seconded Person was working at the time they were incurred, except that expenses related to activities that benefit both the Partnership Parties and Diamondback Entities (e.g. some types of training) shall be shared by the affected Parties in accordance with the Allocation Percentage (or such other allocation as may be agreed between the affected Parties).

**3.4** The Partnership Parties and Diamondback acknowledge and agree that Diamondback shall be responsible for paying the Seconded Employee Expenses (or providing the employee benefits with respect thereto, as applicable) to the Seconded Employees and that the Diamondback Entities may be responsible for paying the Seconded Contractor Expenses to the respective contractor, but that the Partnership Parties shall be responsible for reimbursing the Diamondback Entities for the Seconded Person Expenses (as part of the Services Reimbursement) to the extent provided under <u>Section 3.2</u> of this Agreement.

**3.5** This Agreement does not address the reimbursement of any costs or expenses associated with Services other than the Services Reimbursement. To the extent that a Diamondback Entity incurs any out-of-pocket expenses (other than the Services Reimbursement) in connection with the provision of Services, such Diamondback Entity may be entitled to reimbursement therefor under the terms of the Partnership Agreement or other documentation.

#### ARTICLE 4 ALLOCATION; RECORDS

Diamondback will use commercially reasonable efforts to (i) establish the Allocation Percentage and to the document the basis for such allocation and (ii) maintain a schedule reflecting the direct and indirect costs of the Seconded Person Expenses based on the Services that the Seconded Persons have provided to the Partnership Parties. The Partnership Parties will use commercially reasonable efforts to keep and maintain books/records reflecting the hours worked in connection with each of the Seconded Persons. Each Party will have the right to audit such records maintained by the other during regular business hours and on reasonable prior notice.

#### ARTICLE 5 TERM

The term of this Agreement will commence on the Effective Date and will continue for an initial period of fifteen (15) years (the "**Initial Term**"). Upon the expiration of the Initial Term, the term of this Agreement shall automatically extend for successive one year extension terms, unless either Party provides at least thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the other Party prior to the expiration of the Initial Term or any extension term that the Party wishes for this Agreement to expire at the end of the Initial Term or the then-current extension term, as applicable. Upon proper notice by a Party to the other Party, in accordance with this <u>Article 5</u>, that the Party wishes for this Agreement to expire on the expiration of the applicable period, this Agreement shall not automatically extend, but shall instead expire upon the expiration of the applicable period and only those provisions that, by their terms, expressly survive this Agreement shall so survive. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Partnership Parties may terminate this Agreement at any time upon written notice to Diamondback stating the date of termination and only those provisions that, by their terms, expressly survive this Agreement shall so survive.

## ARTICLE 6 GENERAL PROVISIONS

**6.1** *Entire Agreement.* This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and this Agreement supersedes all prior negotiations, agreements or understandings of the Parties of any nature, whether oral or written, relating thereto.

**6.2** *Applicable Law.* This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Texas, without regard to the principles of conflicts of law.

6.3 *Amendment*. This Agreement may be modified, amended or supplemented only by written agreement executed by the Parties.

**6.4** *Waiver*. Any term or provision of this Agreement may be waived, or the time for its performance may be extended, by the Party or Parties entitled to the benefit thereof. Any such waiver shall be validly and sufficiently given for the purposes of this Agreement if, as to any Party, it is in writing signed by an authorized representative of such Party. The failure of any Party to enforce at any time any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed to be a waiver of such provision, or in any way to affect the validity of this Agreement or any part hereof or the right of any Party thereafter to enforce each and every such provision. No waiver of any breach of this Agreement shall be held to constitute a waiver of any other or subsequent breach.

**6.5** *Severability.* Whenever possible each provision and term of this Agreement will be interpreted in a manner to be effective and valid. If any term or provision of this Agreement or the application of any such term or provision to any Person or circumstance shall be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions hereof, or the application of such term or provision to Persons or circumstances other than those as to which it has been held invalid, illegal or unenforceable, will remain in full force and effect and will in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated thereby. If any term or provision of this Agreement is held to be prohibited or invalid, then such term or provision will be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity without invalidating or affecting in any manner whatsoever the remainder of such term or provision or the other terms and provisions of this Agreement. Upon determination that any other term or provision of this Agreement is invalid, void, illegal or unenforceable, a court of competent jurisdiction will modify such term or provision so as to effect the original intent of the Parties as closely as possible in an acceptable manner to the end that the transactions contemplated hereby are fulfilled to the fullest extent possible under the Law.

**6.6** *Successors and Assigns.* Except as contemplated by Section 6.10, neither this Agreement nor any of the rights or obligations hereunder shall be assigned by any of the parties hereto without the prior written consent of the other parties. Subject to the preceding sentence, this Agreement will be binding upon, inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the parties and their respective successors and assigns.

**6.7** *Third Party Beneficiaries.* This Agreement is binding upon and is for the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns. This Agreement is not made for the benefit of any Person not a party hereto, and no Person other than the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns will acquire or have any benefit, right, remedy or claim under or by virtue of this Agreement. In furtherance but not in limitation of the foregoing: (i) nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to provide any Seconded Employee or Seconded Contractor with a right to continued Secondment or employment; and (ii) nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to constitute an amendment to any Benefit Plans or limit in any way the right of Diamondback and/or its ERISA Affiliates to amend, modify or terminate, in whole or in part, any Benefit Plans which may be in effect from time to time.

**6.8** *Notices.* Any notice, statement, demand, claim, offer or other written instrument required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing signed by the Party giving such notice and shall be sent by email, hand messenger delivery, overnight courier service, or certified mail (receipt requested) to each other Party at the address set forth below; provided

that to be effective any such notice sent originally by email must be followed within two (2) Business Days by a copy of such notice sent by overnight courier service:

if to a Diamondback Entity:

Diamondback Energy, Inc. 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Email: mzmigrosky@diamondbackenergy.com Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky, General Counsel

if to a member of the Partnership Parties:

Rattler Midstream GP LLC 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Email: mzmigrosky@diamondbackenergy.com Attention: P. Matt Zmigrosky, General Counsel

Each Party shall have the right to change the place to which notices shall be sent or delivered or to specify one additional address to which copies of notices may be sent, in either case by similar notice sent or delivered in like manner to the other Party. Without limiting any other means by which a Party may be able to prove that a notice has been received by another Party, all notices and communications shall be deemed to have been duly given: (i) at the time delivered by hand, if personally delivered; (ii) five (5) Business Days after being deposited in the mail, postage prepaid, if mailed by first class certified mail, receipt requested; (iii) when received, if sent by email, if received prior to 5 p.m., recipient's time, on a Business Day, or on the next Business Day, if received later than 5 p.m., recipient's time; and (iv) on the next Business Day after timely delivery to the courier, if sent by overnight air courier guaranteeing next day delivery. In any case hereunder in which a Party is required or permitted to respond to a notice from another Party within a specified period, such period shall run from the date on which the notice was deemed duly given as above provided, and the response shall be considered to be timely given if given as above provided by the last day of the period provided for such response.

**6.9** *Relationship of the Parties.* Nothing in this Agreement will constitute the Midstream Group, Diamondback or their respective Affiliates as members of any partnership, joint venture, association, syndicate or other entity.

**6.10** *Assignment*. No Party will convey, assign or otherwise transfer either this Agreement or any of the rights, interests or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other Parties hereto (in each of such Party's sole and absolute discretion). Any such prohibited conveyance, assignment or transfer without the prior written consent of the other Parties will be void ab initio; provided, however, that any Party may assign or convey this Agreement without the prior written consent of any other Party to an Affiliate.

**6.11** *Counterparts.* This Agreement may be executed in counterparts (which may be delivered by electronic transmission). Each counterpart when so executed and delivered shall be deemed an original, and both such counterparts taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

**6.12** *Time of the Essence*. Time is of the essence of this Agreement; provided, however, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, if the time period for the performance of any covenant or obligation, satisfaction of any condition or delivery of any notice or item required under this Agreement shall expire on a day other than a Business Day, such time period shall be extended automatically to the next Business Day.

**6.13** *Signatories Duly Authorized*. Each of the signatories to this Agreement represents that he is duly authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of the entities for which he is signing, and that such signature is sufficient to bind the Party or other entity purportedly represented.

(Signature page follows)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be signed by their authorized representatives as of the date first above written.

## DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

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 Name:
 Teresa L. Dick

 Title:
 Executive Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Assistant Secretary

# DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC

Name: Teresa L. Dick Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Assistant Secretary

### RATTLER MIDSTREAM GP LLC

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Name: Teresa L. Dick

Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

[Signature Page to Services and Secondment Agreement]

### RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP

By: Rattler Midstream GP LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

Name: Teresa L. Dick Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM OPERATING LLC

By: /s/ Teresa L. Dick

 Name:
 Teresa L. Dick

 Title:
 Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary

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## EXHIBIT A

#### Services

The Services include, but are not limited to:

- Operation of the midstream assets of the Midstream Group members in accordance with prudent industry practice pursuant to each of the following agreements:
  - Freshwater Purchase and Services Agreement, dated effective as of January 1, 2018 by and between E&P and OpCo, as may be amended, supplemented, restated or otherwise modified from time to, pursuant to which OpCo, among other things, gathers, stores and distributes fresh water to Diamondback's drilling and completion sites.
  - Gas Gathering and Compression Agreement, dated effective as of January 1, 2018 by and between E&P and OpCo, as may be amended, supplemented, restated or otherwise modified from time to time, pursuant to which OpCo, among other things, services the production of natural gas from Diamondback's Utah field within the Permian;
  - Amended and Restated Crude Oil Gathering Agreement, dated effective as of January 1, 2018 by and between E&P and OpCo, as may be amended, supplemented, restated or otherwise modified from time to time, pursuant to which pursuant to which OpCo, among other things, gathers crude oil from Diamondback's Spanish Trail, Utah and Reward fields within the Permian; and
  - Amended and Restated Produced and Flowback Water Gathering and Disposal Agreement, dated effective as of January 1, 2018 by and between E&P and OpCo, as may be amended, supplemented, restated or otherwise modified from time to time, pursuant to which OpCo, among other things, gathers and disposes of saltwater from operations throughout Diamondback's Permian acreage.
- Operation, management and maintenance of the Fasken Center in accordance with prudent industry practice.
- Such other operational functions that are necessary to develop and execute the operational aspects of the business of the Partnership Parties.

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- Payroll and billing services, including payment of compensation for the services of and, as applicable, the provision of employee benefits to Seconded Persons.
- Management, general and administrative services, such as:
  - billing, accounting, tax and internal audit;
  - treasury, cash management and banking;
  - investor relations;

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- business development;
- executive services;
- human resources, including Benefit Plan reporting;
- public company reporting; and
- in-house legal services, risk management and regulatory compliance.
- Such other management, general and administrative functions that are necessary to support the business of the Partnership Parties.

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### TAX SHARING AGREEMENT

# **BY AND BETWEEN**

# DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

AND

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM OPERATING LLC

#### TAX SHARING AGREEMENT

This Tax Sharing Agreement (the "*Agreement*"), dated this 28 day of May 2019, is entered into by and between DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC. ("*DBE*"), a Delaware corporation, and RATTLER MIDSTREAM OPERATING LLC ("*Rattler*"), a Delaware limited liability company.

### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the revised franchise tax imposed by the State of Texas under Chapter 171 of the Texas Tax Code, generally effective for reports due on or after January 1, 2008, requires taxable entities that are part of an affiliated group engaged in a unitary business to report as a combined group;

WHEREAS, DBE owns a "controlling interest" in Rattler within the meaning of Texas Tax Code §171.0001(8)(C) and expects to file Combined Returns, as required by Texas Tax Code §171.1014, for the combined group that includes DBE and Rattler; and

WHEREAS, the Parties (as defined below) wish to set forth the general principles under which they will allocate and share various Taxes (as defined below) and related liabilities;

WHEREAS, DBE, on behalf of itself and its present and future subsidiaries other than the Rattler Group ("**DBE Group**"), and Rattler, on behalf of itself and its present and future subsidiaries (the "**Rattler Group**"), are entering into this Agreement to provide for the allocation among the DBE Group and the Rattler Group of all responsibilities, liabilities and benefits relating to any Tax for which a Combined Return (as defined below) is filed for a taxable period including or beginning on or after the Effective Date (as defined below) and to provide for certain other matters;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements, provisions and covenants contained in this Agreement, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I Definitions

1.1 *Definitions*. The following terms shall have the following meanings (such meanings to be equally applicable to both the singular and the plural forms of the terms defined):

"Accounting Referee" is defined in Section 6.11 herein.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any successor thereto, as in effect for the taxable period in question.

"Combined Group" means a group of corporations or other entities that files a Combined Return.

"*Combined Return*" means any Tax Return (other than a Tax Return for U.S. federal income taxes) filed on a consolidated, combined (including nexus combination, worldwide combination, domestic combination, line of business combination or any other form of combination) or unitary basis that includes activities of any member of the DBE Group and any member of the Rattler Group.

"*DBE Group*" is defined in the Recitals to this Agreement.

"Effective Date" means May 28, 2019.

*"Final Determination"* means the final resolution of any Tax (or other matter) for a taxable period, including related interest or penalties, that, under applicable law, is not subject to further appeal, review or modification through proceedings or otherwise, including (i) by the expiration of a statute of limitations or a period for the filing of claims for refunds, amending Tax Returns, appealing from adverse determinations or recovering any refund (including by offset), (ii) by a decision, judgment, decree or other order by a court of competent jurisdiction, which has become final and unappealable, (iii) by a closing agreement, an accepted offer in compromise or a comparable agreement under laws of the particular Tax Authority, (iv) by execution of a form under the laws of a Tax Authority that is comparable to an Internal Revenue Service Form 870 or 870-AD (excluding, however, with respect to a particular Tax Item for a particular taxable period any such form that reserves (whether by its terms or by operation of law) the right of the taxpayer to file a claim for refund and/or the right of the Tax Authority to assert a further deficiency with respect to such Tax Item for such period) or (v) by any allowance of a refund or credit, but only after the expiration of all periods during which such refund may be adjusted.

"Notice" is defined in Section 6.1 herein.

"*Party*" means each of DBE and Rattler, and solely for purposes of this definition, "DBE" includes the DBE Group and Rattler includes the Rattler Group. Each of DBE and Rattler shall cause the DBE Group and the Rattler Group, respectively, to comply with this Agreement.

"Rattler Group" is defined in the Recitals to this Agreement.

"*Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability*" means, with respect to any Tax, the Rattler Group's liability for such Tax owed with respect to a Combined Return for a taxable period, as determined under Section 3.2 of this Agreement.

"Rattler Group Deposit" is defined in Section 3.4 herein.

"Rattler Group Members" means those entities included in the Rattler Group.

"*Rattler Group Pro Forma Combined Return*" means a pro forma Tax Return or other schedule prepared to reflect the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability pursuant to Section 3.2 of this Agreement.

"Reporting Entity" means the entity that is required by statute or rule to file the particular Combined Return.

"*Tax Attribute*" means a Tax Item of a member of the Rattler Group reflected on a Combined Return that is comparable to one or more of the following attributes with respect to a U.S. federal income tax consolidated tax return: a net operating loss, a net capital loss, an unused investment credit, an unused foreign tax credit, an excess charitable contribution, a U.S. federal minimum tax credit or a U.S. federal general business credit (but not tax basis or earnings and profits).

"*Tax Authority*" means a domestic governmental authority (other than the United States) or any subdivision, agency, commission or authority thereof or any quasi-governmental or private body having jurisdiction over the assessment, determination, collection or imposition of any Tax (excluding the U.S. Internal Revenue Service).

"*Tax Controversy*" means any audit, examination, dispute, suit, action, litigation or other judicial or administrative proceeding initiated by DBE or Rattler or any Tax Authority.

"Tax Item" means any item of income, gain, loss, deduction or credit, or other item reflected on a Tax Return or any Tax Attribute.

"*Tax Return*" means any return, report, certificate, form or similar statement or document (including any related or supporting information or schedule attached thereto and any information return, amended Tax Return, claim for refund or declaration of estimated tax) required to be supplied to, or filed with, a Tax Authority in connection with the determination, assessment or collection of any Tax or the administration of any laws, regulations or administrative requirements relating to any Tax.

"*Tax*" or "*Taxes*" means all forms of taxation, whenever created or imposed, and whether imposed by a domestic, local, municipal, governmental, state, federation or other body, but excluding taxes imposed by the United States, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, shall include net income, alternative or add-on minimum, gross income, sales, use, ad valorem, gross receipts, value added, franchise, profits, license, transfer, recording, withholding, payroll, employment, excise, severance, stamp, occupation, premium, property, windfall profit, custom duty or other tax, governmental fee or like assessment or charge of any kind whatsoever, together with any related interest, penalties or other additions to tax, or additional amounts imposed by any such Tax Authority.

Any term used but not capitalized herein that is defined in the Code or in the Treasury Regulations thereunder shall, to the extent required by the context of the provision at issue, have the meaning assigned to it in the Code or such regulation.

## ARTICLE II Preparation and Filing of Tax Returns

### 2.1 Manner of Filing.

(a) For periods that include the Effective Date and periods after the Effective Date, DBE shall have the sole and exclusive responsibility for the preparation and filing of, and shall cause the Reporting Entity to prepare and file, all Combined Returns. DBE shall be authorized to take, in its sole discretion, any and all action necessary or incidental to the preparation and filing of a Combined Return, including, without limitation, (i) making

elections and adopting accounting methods, (ii) filing all extensions of time, including extensions of time for payment of tax, (iii) filing claims for refund or credit or (iv) giving waivers or bonds.

(b) For periods that include the Effective Date and periods after the Effective Date, the Rattler Group shall have the sole and exclusive responsibility for the preparation and filing of, and shall prepare and file or cause to be prepared and filed, all Tax Returns of the Rattler Group Members that are not Combined Returns.

(c) DBE shall have sole discretion to include, or cause to be included, in a Combined Return for any Tax any member of the Rattler Group for which inclusion in such Combined Return is elective; provided, however, that the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability for any period shall not exceed the aggregate of (x) each such elective Rattler Group Member's liability for such Tax for such period, computed as if such Rattler Group Member were not included in such Combined Return and (y) the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability calculated for the Rattler Group Members for which inclusion is not elective. DBE shall provide pro forma Tax Returns pursuant to Section 3.5 of this Agreement to support the calculation of the amount of any decrease in the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability pursuant to this Section 2.1(c).

2.2 *Franchise Tax Taxable Period*. References to "taxable period" for any franchise or other doing business Tax shall mean the taxable period during which the income, operations, assets or capital comprising the base of such Tax is measured, regardless of whether the right to do business for another taxable period is obtained by the payment of such franchise Tax.

### ARTICLE III Allocation of Taxes

3.1 *Liability of the Rattler Group for Combined Taxes.* For each Tax for each taxable period that includes or begins on or after the Effective Date and for which a member of the Rattler Group is included in a Combined Return, Rattler, for so long as it is included in a Combined Return, shall be liable to DBE for an amount equal to the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability in respect of such Tax. If Rattler ceases to be included on a Combined Return during a tax year, Rattler shall calculate and determine its share of the Combined Tax Liability to be that portion of the Rattler Group's separate return tax liability that is allocable to the portion of the tax year in which Rattler was included on a Combined Return.

3.2 **Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability**. With respect to each Tax for each taxable period that includes or begins on or after the Effective Date and for which a member of the Rattler Group is included in a Combined Return, the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability for such Tax for such taxable period shall be the Tax for such taxable period as determined on a Rattler Group Pro Forma Combined Return prepared:

(a) by including only the Tax Items of the members of the Rattler Group that are included in the Combined Return and computing the liability of the Rattler Group Members for such Tax as if such Rattler Group Members were included in a separate combined, consolidated or unitary return that includes only the Rattler Group Members;

(b) except as provided in Section 3.2(e) hereof, using all elections, accounting methods and conventions used on the Combined Return for such period;

- (c) applying the Tax rate in effect for the Combined Return of the Combined Group for such taxable period;
- (d) assuming that the Rattler Group elects not to carry back any net operating losses; and

(e) assuming that the Rattler Group's utilization of any Tax Attribute carryforward or carryback is limited to the Tax Attributes of the Rattler Group that would be available if the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability for each taxable period ending after the Effective Date were determined in accordance with this Section 3.2.

3.3 *Preparation and Delivery of Pro Forma Tax Returns*. Not later than 90 days following the date on which a Combined Return is filed with the appropriate Tax Authority, DBE shall prepare and deliver to Rattler the related Rattler Group Pro Forma Combined Return calculating the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability attributable to the period covered by such filed Combined Return.

3.4 **Payment of Tax.** DBE shall timely pay (or shall cause to be timely paid) any Tax reflected on a Combined Return and hold Rattler harmless for all liability for such Tax. In the event DBE is required to make an estimated payment or deposit of any Tax of any Combined Group which includes any member of the Rattler Group, DBE shall calculate the portion, if any, of such estimated payment or deposit attributable to the Rattler Group using a methodology similar to that described in Section 3.2 (the "*Rattler Group Deposit*") and shall present such calculation to Rattler. Within 5 days thereafter, Rattler shall pay the Rattler Group Deposit to DBE. Within 30 days after delivery by DBE of a Rattler Group Pro Forma Combined Return to Rattler calculating the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability with respect to a Combined Return, Rattler shall pay to DBE such Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability less the amount of any Rattler Group Deposit relating to the same Combined Return.

3.5 **Subsequent Changes in Treatment of Tax Items**. With respect to any Combined Return for any taxable period beginning on or after the Effective Date, in the event of a change in the treatment of any Tax Item of any member of a Combined Group as a result of a Final Determination, within 30 days following such Final Determination (i) DBE shall calculate the change, if any, to the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability resulting from such change, (ii) DBE shall pay any decrease in the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability to Rattler and (iii) Rattler shall pay any increase in the Rattler Group Combined Tax Liability to DBE.

#### ARTICLE IV Control of Tax Proceedings; Cooperation and Exchange of Information

4.1 *Control of Proceedings.* Except as provided in this Article IV, DBE shall have full responsibility and discretion in handling, settling or contesting any Tax Controversy involving a Tax Return for which it has filing responsibility under this Agreement as well as all Tax Returns for all taxable periods ending before the Effective Date. Rattler shall have full responsibility and discretion in handling, settling or contesting any Tax Controversy involving a Tax Return for which it has filing responsibility and discretion in handling, settling or contesting any Tax Controversy involving a Tax Return for which it has filing

responsibility under this Agreement. Except as otherwise provided in this Article IV, any costs incurred in handling, settling or contesting any Tax Controversy shall be borne by the Party having full responsibility and discretion thereof.

#### 4.2 Cooperation and Exchange of Information.

(a) Each Party shall cooperate fully at such time and to the extent reasonably requested by any other Party in connection with the preparation and filing of any Tax Return or claim for refund, or the conduct of any audit, dispute, proceeding, suit or action concerning any issues or other matters considered in this Agreement. Such cooperation shall include, without limitation, the following: (i) the retention and provision on demand of Tax Returns, books, records (including those concerning ownership and Tax basis of property which a Party may possess), documentation or other information relating to the Tax Returns, including accompanying schedules, related workpapers and documents relating to rulings or other determinations by Taxing Authorities, until the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations (giving effect to any extension, waiver or mitigation thereof); (ii) the provision of additional information, including an explanation of material provided under clause (i) of this Section 4.2(a), to the extent such information is necessary or reasonably helpful in connection with the foregoing; (iii) the execution of any document that may be necessary or reasonably helpful in connection with the filing of a Tax Return by DBE, Rattler or of their respective subsidiaries, or in connection with any audit, dispute, proceeding, suit or action and (iv) such Party's commercially reasonable efforts to obtain any documentation from a governmental authority or a third party that may be necessary or reasonably helpful in connection with any of the foregoing.

(b) Each Party shall make its employees and facilities available on a reasonable and mutually convenient basis in connection with any of the foregoing matters.

(c) If any Party fails to provide any information requested pursuant to Section 4.2 hereof within a reasonable period, as determined in good faith by the Party requesting the information, then the requesting Party shall have the right to engage a public accounting firm to gather such information, provided that 30 days' prior written notice is given to the unresponsive Party. If the unresponsive Party fails to provide the requested information within 30 days of receipt of such notice, then such unresponsive Party shall permit the requesting Party's public accounting firm full access to all appropriate records or other information as reasonably necessary to comply with this Section 4.2 and shall reimburse the requesting Party or pay directly all costs connected with the requesting Party's engagement of the public accounting firm.

#### ARTICLE V

### Warranties and Representations; Payment Obligations

5.1 *Warranties and Representations Relating to Actions of DBE and Rattler*. Each of DBE and Rattler warrants and represents to the other that:

(a) in the case of DBE, it is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and has all requisite power to carry out the transactions contemplated by this Agreement;

(b) in the case of Rattler, it is a limited liability company duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and has all requisite power to carry out the transactions contemplated by this Agreement;

(c) it has duly and validly taken all action necessary to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby;

(d) this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by it and constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation enforceable in accordance with its terms subject, as to the enforcement of remedies, to (i) applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium or other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally from time to time in effect and (ii) general principles of equity, whether enforcement is sought in a proceeding at law or in equity; and

(e) the execution and delivery of this Agreement, the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby or the compliance with any of the provisions of this Agreement will not (i) conflict with or result in a breach of any provision of its certificate of incorporation, by-laws, certificate of formation, limited liability company agreement, as the case may be, (ii) breach, violate or result in a default under any of the terms of any agreement or other instrument or obligation to which it is a party or by which it or any of its properties or assets may be bound or (iii) violate any order, writ, injunction, decree, statute, rule or regulation applicable to it or affecting any of its properties or assets.

5.2 *Calculation of Payment Obligations*. Except as otherwise provided under this Agreement, to the extent that the payor Party has a payment obligation to the payee Party pursuant to this Agreement, the payee Party shall provide the payor Party with its calculation of the amount of such obligation. The documentation of such calculation shall provide sufficient detail to permit the payor Party to reasonably understand the calculation. All payment obligations shall be made to the payee Party or to the appropriate Tax Authority as specified by the payee Party within 30 days after delivery by the payee Party to the payor Party of written notice of a payment obligation. Any disputes with respect to payment obligations shall be resolved in accordance with Section 6.11 below.

5.3 *Prompt Performance*. All actions required to be taken by any Party under this Agreement shall be performed within the time prescribed for performance in this Agreement or if no period is prescribed, such actions shall be performed promptly.

5.4 *Interest*. Payments pursuant to this Agreement that are not made within the period prescribed therefor in this Agreement shall bear interest (compounded daily) from and including the date immediately following the last date of such period through and including the date of payment at a rate equal to the U.S. federal short-term rate or rates established pursuant to Section 6621 of the Code for the period during which such payment is due but unpaid.

5.5 *Tax Records*. The Parties to this Agreement hereby agree to retain and provide on proper demand by any Tax Authority (subject to any applicable privileges) the books, records, documentation and other information relating to any Tax Return until the later of (i) the expiration of the applicable statute of limitations (giving effect to any extension, waiver or mitigation thereof), (ii) the date specified in an applicable records retention agreement entered into with a Tax Authority, (iii) a Final Determination made with respect to such Tax Return and (iv) the final resolution of any claim made under this Agreement for which such information is relevant.

5.6 *Continuing Covenants*. Each Party agrees (i) not to take any action reasonably expected to result in a new or changed Tax Item that is detrimental to any other Party and (ii) to take any action reasonably requested by any other Party that would reasonably be expected to result in a new or changed Tax Item that produces a benefit or avoids a detriment to such other Party; provided that such action does not result in any additional cost not fully compensated for by the requesting Party. The Parties hereby acknowledge that the preceding sentence is not intended to limit, and therefore shall not apply to, the rights of the Parties with respect to matters otherwise covered by this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE VI Miscellaneous Provisions

6.1 *Notice*. Any notice, demand, claim or other communication required or permitted to be given under this Agreement (a "*Notice*") shall be in writing and may be personally served provided a receipt is obtained therefor, or may be sent by certified mail return receipt requested postage prepaid, to the Parties at the following addresses (or at such other address as one Party may specify by notice to any other Party):

DBE at:

Diamondback Energy, Inc. 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Attention: General Counsel

Rattler at:

Rattler Midstream Operating LLC 500 West Texas, Suite 1200 Midland, Texas 79701 Attention: General Counsel

A Notice which is delivered personally shall be deemed given as of the date specified on the written receipt therefor. A Notice mailed as provided herein shall be deemed given on the third business day following the date so mailed. Notification of a change of address may be given by any Party to another in the manner provided in this Section 6.1 for providing a Notice.

6.2 *Required Payments*. Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, any payment of Tax required shall be due within 30 days of a Final Determination of the amount of such Tax.

6.3 *Injunctions*. The Parties acknowledge that irreparable damage would occur in the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement were not performed in accordance with its specific terms or were otherwise breached. The Parties hereto shall be entitled to an injunction or injunctions to prevent breaches of the provisions of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of this Agreement in any court having jurisdiction, such remedy being in addition to any other remedy to which they may be entitled at law or in equity.

6.4 *Further Assurances*. Subject to the provisions hereof, the Parties hereto shall make, execute, acknowledge and deliver such other instruments and documents, and take all such other actions, as may be reasonably required in order to effectuate the purposes of this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. Subject to the provisions hereof, each of the Parties shall, in connection with entering into this Agreement, perform its obligations hereunder and take any and all actions relating hereto, comply with all applicable laws, regulations, orders and decrees, obtain all required consents and approvals and make all required filings with any governmental agency, other regulatory or administrative agency, commission or similar authority and promptly provide the other Parties with all such information as such Parties may reasonably request in order to be able to comply with the provisions of this sentence.

6.5 *Parties in Interest*. Except as herein otherwise specifically provided, nothing in this Agreement expressed or implied is intended to confer any right or benefit upon any person, firm or corporation other than the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

6.6 *Setoff.* Except as provided by Section 2.1(c) of this Agreement, all payments to be made under this Agreement shall be made without setoff, counterclaim or withholding, all of which are expressly waived.

6.7 *Change of Law*. If, due to any change in applicable law or regulations or the interpretation thereof by any court of law or other governing body having jurisdiction subsequent to the date of this Agreement, performance of any provision of this Agreement or any transaction contemplated hereby shall become impracticable or impossible, the Parties hereto shall use their best efforts to find and employ an alternative means to achieve the same or substantially the same result as that contemplated by such provision.

6.8 *Termination and Survival*. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, this Agreement shall remain in effect and its provisions shall survive for the full period of all applicable statutes of limitation (giving effect to any extension, waiver or mitigation thereof) or until otherwise agreed to in writing by DBE and Rattler, or their successors.

### 6.9 Amendments; No Waivers.

(a) Any provision of this Agreement may be amended or waived if, and only if, such amendment or waiver is in writing and signed, in the case of an amendment, by DBE and Rattler, or in the case of a waiver, by the Party against whom the waiver is to be effective.

(b) No failure or delay by any Party in exercising any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof nor shall any single or partial exercise thereof preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege.

6.10 *Governing Law and Interpretation*. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware applicable to agreements made and to be performed in the State of Delaware.

6.11 *Resolution of Certain Disputes*. Any disagreement between the Parties with respect to any matter that is the subject of this Agreement, including, without limitation, any disagreement

with respect to any calculation or other determinations by DBE hereunder, which is not resolved by mutual agreement of the Parties, shall be resolved by a nationally recognized independent accounting firm chosen by and mutually acceptable to the Parties hereto (an "*Accounting Referee*"). Such Accounting Referee shall be chosen by the Parties within fifteen (15) business days from the date on which one Party serves written notice on another Party requesting the appointment of an Accounting Referee, provided that such notice specifically describes the calculations to be considered and resolved by the Accounting Referee. In the event the Parties cannot agree on the selection of an Accounting Referee, then the Accounting Referee shall be any office or branch of the public accounting firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. The Accounting Referee shall resolve any such disagreements as specified in the notice within 30 days of appointment; provided, however, that no Party shall be required to deliver any document or take any other action pursuant to this Section 6.11 if it determines that such action would result in the waiver of any legal privilege or any detriment to its business. Any resolution of an issue submitted to the Accounting Referee shall be final and binding on the Parties hereto without further recourse. The Parties shall share the costs and fees of the Accounting Referee equally.

6.12 **Confidentiality**. Except to the extent required to protect a Party's interests in a Tax Controversy, each Party shall hold and shall cause its consultants and advisors to hold in strict confidence, unless compelled to disclose by judicial or administrative process or, in the opinion of its counsel, by other requirements of law, all information (other than any such information relating solely to the business or affairs of such Party) concerning another Party or its representatives pursuant to this Agreement (except to the extent that such information can be shown to have been (i) previously known by the Party to which it was furnished, (ii) in the public domain through no fault of such Party or (iii) later lawfully acquired from other sources by the Party to which it was furnished), and each Party shall not release or disclose such information to any other person, except its auditors, attorneys, financial advisors, bankers and other consultants and advisors who shall be advised of the provisions of this Agreement. Each Party shall be deemed to have satisfied its obligation to hold confidential information concerning or supplied by another Party if it exercises the same care as it takes to preserve confidentiality for its own similar information.

6.13 **Costs, Expenses and Attorneys' Fees.** Except as expressly set forth in this Agreement, each Party shall bear its own costs and expenses incurred pursuant to this Agreement. In the event a Party to this Agreement brings an action or proceeding for the breach or enforcement of this Agreement, the prevailing party in such action, proceeding or appeal, whether or not such action, proceeding or appeal proceeds to final judgment, shall be entitled to recover as an element of its costs, and not as damages, such reasonable attorneys' fees as may be awarded in the action, proceeding or appeal in addition to whatever other relief the prevailing party may be entitled. For purposes of this Section 6.13, the "prevailing party" shall be the Party who is entitled to recover its costs; a Party not entitled to recover its costs shall not recover attorneys' fees. No sum for attorneys' fees shall be counted in calculating the amount of the judgment for purposes of determining whether a Party is entitled to recover its costs or attorneys' fees.

6.14 *Counterparts*. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

6.15 *Severability*. The Parties hereby agree that, if any provision of this Agreement should be adjudicated to be invalid or unenforceable, such provision shall be deemed deleted herefrom with

respect, and only with respect, to the operation of such provision in the particular jurisdiction in which such adjudication was made, and only to the extent of the invalidity, and any such invalidity or unenforceability in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction. All other remaining provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect for the particular jurisdiction and all other jurisdictions.

#### 6.16 Entire Agreement.

(a) This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all other agreements, whether or not written, in respect of any Tax between the DBE Group and the Rattler Group.

(b) In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement and the provisions of any other agreement between the DBE Group and the Rattler Group, the provisions of this Agreement shall take precedence and to such extent shall be deemed to supersede such conflicting provisions under the other agreement.

6.17 *Assignment*. This Agreement is being entered into by DBE and Rattler on behalf of themselves and each member of the DBE Group and the Rattler Group, respectively. This Agreement shall constitute a direct obligation of each such member and shall be deemed to have been readopted and affirmed on behalf of any entity that becomes a member of the DBE Group or the Rattler Group in the future. Each of DBE and Rattler hereby guarantee the performance of all actions, agreements and obligations provided for under this Agreement of each member of the DBE Group and the Rattler Group, respectively. Each of DBE and Rattler shall, upon the written request of the other, cause any of their respective group members to formally execute this Agreement. This Agreement shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of, the successors, assigns and persons controlling any of the entities bound hereby for so long as such successors, assigns or controlling persons are members of the DBE Group or the Rattler Group or their successors and assigns.

6.18 *Fair Meaning*. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with its fair meaning and shall not be construed strictly against the drafter.

6.19 *Titles and Headings*. Titles and headings to sections herein are inserted for the convenience of reference only and are not intended to be a part of or to affect the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.

6.20 *Construction*. In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the terms "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder" refer to this Agreement.

### [Signature Page Follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties hereto have executed and delivered this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

# Diamondback Energy, Inc.

By:	/s/ Teresa L. Dick
Name:	Teresa L. Dick
Title:	Executive Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer
	and Assistant Secretary

# **Rattler Midstream Operating LLC**

By:	/s/ Teresa L. Dick
Name:	Teresa L. Dick
Title:	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial
	Officer and Assistant Secretary

[Signature Page to Tax Sharing Agreement]

### RATTLER MIDSTREAM LP LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

## FORM OF PHANTOM UNIT AGREEMENT

**THIS PHANTOM UNIT AGREEMENT** (this "*Agreement*") is made and entered into by and between Rattler Midstream GP LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "*General Partner*"), and \_\_\_\_\_\_("you"), effective as of \_\_\_\_\_\_(the "*Date of Grant*").

WHEREAS, Rattler Midstream LP, a Delaware limited partnership (the "*Partnership*"), acting through the board of directors of the General Partner (the "*Board*"), has adopted the Rattler Midstream LP Long-Term Incentive Plan, as it may be amended from time to time (the "*Plan*"), to, among other things, attract, retain and motivate certain directors, employees and officers of the Partnership, the General Partner and their respective Affiliates (collectively, the "*Partnership Entities*"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board has authorized the grant of Phantom Units under the Plan to you as part of your compensation for services provided to the Partnership Entities.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein and for other valuable consideration hereinafter set forth, the parties agree as follows:

1. <u>Grant of Phantom Units</u>. The General Partner hereby grants to you, effective as of the Date of Grant, the right (the "*Award*") to receive an aggregate of \_\_\_\_\_\_ Units (the "*Phantom Units*") on the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Plan, which Plan is incorporated herein by reference as part of this Agreement. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Plan, unless the context requires otherwise.

2. <u>Phantom Units</u>. Each Phantom Unit under the Award is a notional Unit granted under Section 6.4 of the Plan, which upon vesting entitles you to receive, at the time of settlement (which may or may not be coterminous with the vesting schedule of the Award), a Partnership Unit.

3. <u>Vesting of Phantom Units</u>. Phantom Units shall be deemed "*Nonvested Phantom Units*" unless and until they have become "*Vested Phantom Units*" in accordance with this Section 3.

(a) <u>Vesting Schedule</u>. Subject to the other terms and conditions set forth herein, the Phantom Units granted pursuant to this Agreement will become Vested Phantom Units in accordance with the following schedule, provided that you remain in Continuous Service with the Partnership Entities until the applicable vesting dates:

e Phantom Units Become Vested Phantom Units
, 2020
, 2021
, 2022
, 2023
, 2024

Number of Phantom Units that Become Vested Phantom Units

(b) <u>Change of Control</u>. Notwithstanding the above vesting schedule, upon the occurrence of a Change of Control prior to the date all Phantom Units granted pursuant to this Agreement become Vested Phantom Units, all of Phantom Units subject to this Agreement will immediately become Vested Phantom Units. As used in this Section 3(b), the term "Change of Control" means a Change of Control as defined in the Plan even if such Change of Control does not also constitute a "change in the ownership of a corporation," a "change in the effective control of a corporation," or a "change in the ownership of a substantial portion of a corporation's assets," in each case, within the meaning of § 1.409A-3(i)(5) of the 409A Regulations.

#### (c) Termination of Employment.

(i) <u>General</u>. Except as provided in Section 3(c)(ii) below, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the foregoing provisions of this Section 3, in the event your Continuous Service with the Partnership Entities is terminated prior to the date all Phantom Units granted pursuant to this Agreement become Vested Phantom Units, then all of your Nonvested Phantom Units will remain unvested, will become null and void and will be forfeited as of the date of such termination.

(ii) <u>Death and Disability</u>. If your Continuous Service with the Partnership Entities is terminated due to death or Disability prior to the date all Phantom Units granted pursuant to this Agreement become Vested Phantom Units, then all Phantom Units subject to this Agreement will immediately become Vested Phantom Units as of your Continuous Service termination date. As used in this Section 3(c)(ii), "*Disability*" means your inability to substantially perform your duties to the General Partner, the Partnership, or any Affiliate of either by reason of a medically determinable physical or mental impairment that is expected to last for a period of six months or longer or to result in death.

#### 4. Settlement and Payment of Phantom Units.

(a) <u>*Time of Settlement*</u>. Subject to your satisfaction of the applicable tax withholding obligations of Section 6 and the requirements Section 4(b) below, Vested Phantom Units will be settled upon the <u>earlier</u> to occur of:

(i) the following schedule:

Date Phantom Units are Settled	Number of Phantom Units that are Settled by Issuance of Units
, 2020	
, 2021	
, 2022	
, 2023	
, 2024	

or

(ii) the date a Change in Control occurs (the earliest occurring of such events, the "*Settlement Date*"). The term "*Change of Control*" means a Change of Control as defined in the Plan.

(b) <u>Extension of Settlement Date</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 4, in the event the issuance and delivery of Units on any Settlement Date would violate any applicable Federal, state, local or foreign law (including if, at the time of a proposed settlement, there shall be an effective registration statement registering under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "**Securities Act**"), the issuance of Units upon vesting of Awards under the Plan (the "**Registration Statement**"), and there shall have occurred an event which makes any statement made in the Registration Statement, related prospectus or any document incorporated therein by reference untrue in any material respect or which requires the making of any changes in such Registration Statement, prospectus or other documents so that they will not contain any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading), the General Partner may specify another date, during a 30 day period beginning on the date the issuance and delivery of Units for your Vested Phantom Units, or portion thereof, would first no longer violate an applicable federal, state, local or foreign law, as the Settlement Date for your Vested Phantom Units.

(c) <u>Delivery of Units</u>. No fractional Units shall be issued with respect to Vested Phantom Units; rather, you will receive a cash payment for such amount as is necessary to eliminate fractional Units and effect the issuance and acceptance of only whole Units. Unless and until a certificate or certificates representing such Units shall have been issued by the Partnership to you or the transfer of such Units shall be entered in the Partnership's ledger or otherwise properly reflected in the Partnership's books and records, you shall not be or have any of the rights

or privileges of a unitholder of the Partnership with respect to Units acquirable upon vesting of the Award. The Partnership will not have any obligation to settle the vesting of any Award by transfer of such Units unless and until the General Partner receives the full amount of money as the General Partner may require to meet its withholding obligation under applicable tax laws or regulations and to satisfy the tax withholding obligations of Section 6 hereof.

(d) <u>Distribution Equivalents</u>. If the Partnership pays any cash distribution to its outstanding Partnership Unit holders for which the record date occurs after the Date of Grant, the Administrator will pay you as of the distribution payment date an amount equal to the amount of the distribution paid by the Partnership with respect to a single Partnership Unit multiplied by the number of Phantom Units under this Agreement that are unvested as of that record date and that are vested as of that record date but have not been settled under the payment terms of Section 4 ("**Distribution Equivalents**"). Distribution Equivalents will vest and be paid to the Participant on the distribution payment date (but not later than two and one-half months after the end of the year that includes the distribution record date) if Participant is in the employ of, or a service provider to, the Partnership Entities on the distribution record date declared by the Partnership.

5. Transferability. This Agreement and the Phantom Units granted hereunder will not be transferrable or assignable by you other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, except to the extent approved by the Committee in accordance with the terms of the Plan. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if you are serving as a Designated Director of the General Partner, you may enter into a transfer agreement that transfers this Award and requires issuance of the Units in settlement of the Vested Phantom Units to an entity, including without limitation a private equity or other investment fund that is an investor in the Partnership (an "*Investor*"), subject to compliance with all applicable securities laws. A "*Designated Director*" is a Director of the General Partner who is an employee or partner of an Investor and who is treated as serving on behalf of such Investor because the services provided to the General Partner depend upon the exercise of expertise and are similar to those that are performed for the Investor and the Investor has established a policy that provides that the Investor is entitled to the benefit of any compensation provided for services provided as a Director of any portfolio company.

6. Payment of Taxes. To the extent that the settlement of this Award or the disposition of Units acquired by vesting of this Award results in compensation income or wages to you for federal, state or local tax purposes that are subject to withholding requirements, you shall deliver to the General Partner at the time of such settlement or disposition such amount of money as the General Partner may require to meet its withholding obligation under applicable tax laws or regulations. You may satisfy such tax withholding obligation (i) in cash (including by certified check, bank draft or money order, or wire transfer of immediately available funds); or (ii) in the Committee's discretion and on such terms as the Committee approves: (A) by delivering or constructively tendering by means of attestation whereby you identify for delivery specific duly endorsed Units having a Fair Market Value not in excess of the aggregate withholding obligation determined based on the maximum applicable statutory tax rates for U.S. federal, state and/or local tax purposes, including payroll taxes (provided that any Units used for this purpose must have been held by you for such minimum period of time, if any, as may be established from time to time by the Committee), (B) by notice of net issuance including a statement directing the Partnership to retain from transfer the number of Units with a Fair Market Value not in excess of the aggregate withholding obligation determined based on the maximum applicable statutory tax rates for U.S. federal, state and/or local tax purposes, including a statement directing the Partnership to retain from transfer the number of Units with a Fair Market Value not in excess of the aggregate withholding obligation determined based on the maximum applicable statutory tax rates for U.S. federal, state and/or local tax purposes, including a statement directing the Partnership to retain from transfer the number of Units with a Fair Market Value not in excess of the aggregate withholding obligation determined ba

surrendered and cancelled with respect to the number of Units retained by the Partnership, or (C) to the extent permissible under applicable law, through delivery of irrevocable instructions to a broker to sell a sufficient number of the Units being settled to cover the aggregate withholding obligation and delivery to the General Partner on behalf of the Partnership (on the same day that the Units issuable upon vesting are delivered) of the amount of sale proceeds required to pay the aggregate withholding obligation; or (iii) any combination of the foregoing. In the event the Committee subsequently determines that the amount paid or withheld as payment of any tax withholding obligations is insufficient to discharge the tax withholding obligation, you will be required to pay to the General Partner, immediately upon the Committee's request, the amount of that deficiency. No Units will be transferred to you pursuant to Section 4(c) until the full amount of any required tax withholding obligation has been received by the General Partner.

7. Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Rules. The intent of the parties is that the Award and related rights under this Agreement will be exempt under Section 409A of the Code and the 409A Regulations as a short-term deferral and, accordingly, to the maximum extent permitted, this Agreement shall be interpreted to be in compliance therewith. In the event the Award is subject to Section 409A, the General Partner, the Partnership and you shall take commercially reasonable efforts to reform or amend any provision hereof to the extent it is reasonably determined that such provision would or could reasonably be expected to cause you to incur any additional tax or interest under Section 409A or the 409A Regulations to try to comply with the requirements of Section 409A and the 409A Regulations through good faith modifications, in any case, to the minimum extent reasonably appropriate to conform with such requirements; provided, that any such modification shall not increase the cost or liability to the General Partner or the Partnership. To the extent that any provision hereof is modified in order to comply with Section 409A and the 409A Regulations, such modification shall be made in good faith and shall, to the maximum extent reasonably possible, maintain the original intent and economic benefit to the General Partner, the Partnership and you of the applicable provision without violating the provisions of Section 409A and the 409A Regulations. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 7, you are responsible for any and all taxes (including any taxes imposed under Section 409A of the Code) associated with the grant or vesting of, or otherwise with respect to, the Award and matters related thereto. For purposes of Section 409A of the Code, each payment or amount due under this Agreement shall be considered a separate payment.

### 8. Miscellaneous.

(a) <u>No Right to Continued Service</u>. This Award shall not be construed to confer upon you any right to continue as an employee of or other service provider to the Partnership Entities. Any question as to whether and when there has been a termination of Continuous Service shall be determined by the Committee and its determination shall be final and binding. Records of the Partnership Entities regarding your period of Continuous Service, termination of Continuous Service, leaves of absence and other matters shall be conclusive for all purposes hereunder, unless determined by the Committee to be incorrect.

(b) <u>Administration</u>. This Agreement shall at all times be subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan. The Committee shall have sole and complete discretion with respect to all matters reserved to it by the Plan and decisions of the Board or a majority of the members of the Committee designated to administer the Plan with respect thereto and to this Agreement shall be final and binding upon you and the Partnership Entities. In the event of any conflict between the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Plan, the provisions of the Plan shall control.

(c) <u>No Liability for Good Faith Determinations</u>. The Partnership Entities, the members of the Board and the Committee, shall not be liable for any act, omission or determination taken or made in good faith with respect to this Agreement or the Award granted hereunder.

(d) *No Guarantee of Interests*. The Partnership Entities the members of the Board and the Committee, do not guarantee the Units from loss or depreciation.

(e) <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be illegal or invalid for any reason, the illegality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions hereof, but such provision shall be fully severable and this Agreement shall be construed and enforced as if the illegal or invalid provision had never been included herein.

(f) <u>Binding Effect</u>. This Agreement shall be binding upon you, your legal representatives, heirs, legatees and distributees, and upon the Partnership Entities and their successors and assigns.

(g) <u>*Construction*</u>. The titles and headings of sections are included for convenience of reference only and are not to be considered in construction of the provisions hereof. Words used in the masculine shall apply to the feminine where applicable and whenever the context of this Agreement dictates, the plural shall be read as the singular and the singular as the plural.

(h) <u>*Governing Law.*</u> All questions arising with respect to the provisions of this Agreement shall be determined by application of the laws of the State of Delaware without regard to choice of law principles thereunder, except to the extent Delaware law is preempted by federal law.

(i) <u>Amendment</u>. This Agreement may be amended by the Committee; provided, however, that, unless otherwise provided in the Plan, no such amendment may materially reduce your rights or benefits inherent in this Agreement prior to such amendment without your express written consent. For the avoidance of doubt, a cancellation of all or a part of this Award where you receive a payment equal in value to the Fair Market Value of the vested Award will not constitute an impairment of your rights that requires your consent.

(j) *Furnish Information*. You agree to furnish to the General Partner or the Partnership all information requested by them to enable the Partnership Entities to comply with any reporting or other requirements imposed upon them by or under any applicable statute or regulation.

(k) <u>Execution of Receipts and Releases</u>. Any payment of cash or any issuance or transfer of Units or other property to you, or to your legal representative, heir, legatee or distributee, shall, to the extent thereof, be in full satisfaction of all claims of such persons hereunder. The Committee may require you or your legal representative, heir, legatee or distributee, as a condition precedent to such payment or issuance, to execute a release and receipt therefor in such form as it shall determine.

(1) <u>Consent to Electronic Delivery; Electronic Signature</u>. In lieu of receiving documents in paper format, you agree, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to accept electronic delivery of any documents that the Partnership Entities may be required to deliver (including, without limitation, prospectuses, prospectus supplements, grant or award notifications and agreements, account statements, annual and quarterly reports, and all other forms of communications) in connection with this and any other award made or offered by the Partnership. Electronic delivery may be via an electronic mail system of the Partnership Entities or by reference to a location on a Partnership intranet to which you have access. You hereby consent to any and all procedures the Partnership Entities have established or may establish for an electronic signature system for delivery and acceptance of any such documents that the Partnership Entities may be required to deliver, and agree that your electronic signature is the same as, and shall have the same force and effect as, your manual signature.

## [Signature page follows.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the General Partner has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized agent effective as of the date first written above.

# RATTLER MIDSTREAM GP LLC

Dated:

By: Travis D. Stice, Chief Executive Officer

By your signature below and the signature of the General Partner's representative above, you and the General Partner agree to be bound by all of the terms and conditions of this Phantom Unit Agreement and the Plan (incorporated herein by this reference as if set forth in full in this document). By executing this Phantom Unit Agreement, you hereby irrevocably elect to accept the Phantom Unit rights granted pursuant to this Phantom Unit Agreement and to receive the Award for Units of Rattler Midstream LP designated above subject to the terms of the Plan and this Phantom Unit Agreement.

# AWARD RECIPIENT

Dated:\_\_\_\_\_

[Signature Page to Phantom Unit Award Agreement]