

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:	)	Case No. 17-10064 (KG)
Chieftain Sand and Proppant, LLC, <i>et al.</i>	)	Chapter 11
Debtors. <sup>1</sup>	)	(Jointly Administered)

**GLOBAL NOTES, METHODOLOGY AND SPECIFIC  
DISCLOSURES REGARDING THE DEBTORS’ SCHEDULES OF  
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AND STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL AFFIARS**

**Introduction**

Chieftain Sand and Proppant, LLC and Chieftain Sand and Proppant Barron, LLC (collectively, the “**Debtors**”) with the assistance of their advisors, have filed their respective Schedules of Assets and Liabilities (the “**Schedules**”) and Statements of Financial Affairs (the “**Statements**,” and together with the Schedules, the “**Schedules and Statements**”) with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the “**Bankruptcy Court**”), pursuant to section 521 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “**Bankruptcy Code**”) and Rule 1007 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “**Bankruptcy Rules**”).

These Global Notes, Methodology, and Specific Disclosures Regarding the Debtors’ Schedules of Assets and Liabilities and Statements of Financial Affairs (the “**Global Notes**”) pertain to, are incorporated by reference in, and comprise an integral part of each Debtor’s Schedules and Statements. The Global Notes should be referred to, considered, and reviewed in connection with any review of the Schedules and Statements.

The Schedules and Statements do not purport to represent financial statements prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in the United States (“**GAAP**”), nor are they intended to be fully reconciled with the financial statements of each Debtor (whether publically filed or otherwise). Additionally, the Schedules and Statements contain unaudited information that is subject to further review and potential adjustment, and reflect the Debtors’ reasonable efforts to report the assets and liabilities of each Debtor on an unconsolidated basis.

In preparing the Schedules and Statements, the Debtors relied upon information derived from their books and records that was available at the time of such preparation. Although the Debtors have made reasonable efforts to ensure the accuracy and completeness of such financial information, inadvertent errors or omissions, as well as the discovery of

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<sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, and the last four digits of their respective federal tax identification numbers, are Chieftain Sand and Proppant, LLC (1729) and Chieftain Sand and Proppant Barron, LLC (0418). The Debtors’ service address is: 331 27<sup>th</sup> Street, New Auburn, WI 54757.

conflicting, revised, or subsequent information, may cause a material change to the Schedules and Statements.

The Debtors and their officers, employees, agents, attorneys and financial advisors do not guarantee or warrant the accuracy or completeness of the data that is provided in the Schedules and Statements and shall not be liable for any loss or injury arising out of or caused in whole or in part by the acts, omissions, whether negligent or otherwise, in procuring, compiling, collecting, interpreting, reporting, communicating or delivering the information contained in the Schedules and Statements. Except as expressly required by the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors and their officers, employees, agents, attorneys and financial advisors expressly do not undertake any obligation to update, modify, revise or re-categorize the information provided in the Schedules and Statements or to notify any third party should the information be updated, modified, revised or re-categorized. The Debtors, on behalf of themselves, their officers, employees, agents and advisors disclaim any liability to any third party arising out of or related to the information contained in the Schedules and Statements and reserve all rights with respect thereto.

The Schedules and Statements have been signed by an authorized representative of each of the Debtors. In reviewing and signing the Schedules and Statements, this representative relied upon the efforts, statements and representations of the Debtors' other personnel and professionals. The representative has not (and could not have) personally verified the accuracy of each such statement and representation, including, for example, statements and representations concerning amounts owed to creditors and their addresses.

### **Global Notes and Overview of Methodology**

- 1. Reservation of Rights.** Reasonable efforts have been made to prepare and file complete and accurate Schedules and Statements; however, inadvertent errors or omissions may exist. The Debtors reserve all rights to amend or supplement the Schedules and Statements from time to time, in all respects, as may be necessary or appropriate, including, without limitation, the right to amend the Schedules and Statements with respect to claim (“**Claim**”) description, designation, or Debtor against which the Claim is asserted; dispute or otherwise assert offsets or defenses to any Claim reflected in the Schedules and Statements as to amount, liability, priority, status, or classification; subsequently designate any Claim as “disputed,” “contingent,” or “unliquidated;” or object to the extent, validity, enforceability, priority, or avoidability of any Claim. Any failure to designate a Claim in the Schedules and Statements as “disputed,” “contingent,” or “unliquidated” does not constitute an admission by the Debtors that such Claim or amount is not “disputed,” “contingent,” or “unliquidated.” Listing a Claim does not constitute an admission of liability by the Debtor against which the Claim is listed or against any of the Debtors. Furthermore, nothing contained in the Schedules and Statements shall constitute a waiver of rights with respect to the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, including, without limitation, issues involving Claims, substantive consolidation, defenses, equitable subordination, recharacterization, and/or causes of action arising under the provisions of chapter 5 of the Bankruptcy Code and any other relevant non- bankruptcy laws to recover assets or avoid transfers. Any specific reservation of rights contained elsewhere in the Global Notes does not limit in any respect the general reservation of rights contained in this paragraph. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Debtors shall not be

required to update the Schedules and Statements.

The listing in the Schedules or Statements (including, without limitation, Schedule A/B, Schedule E/F or Statement 4) by the Debtors of any obligation between a Debtor and another Debtor is a statement of what appears in the Debtors' books and records and does not reflect any admission or conclusion of the Debtors regarding whether such amount would be allowed as a Claim or how such obligations may be classified and/or characterized in a plan of reorganization or by the Bankruptcy Court.

- 2. Description of Cases and "as of" Information Date.** On January 9, 2017 (the "**Petition Date**"), the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors are operating their businesses and managing their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. On January 10, 2017, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order directing procedural consolidation and joint administration of the Debtors' chapter 11 cases [Docket No. 24].

**The asset information provided in the Schedules and Statements, except as otherwise noted, represents the asset data of the Debtors as of the close of business on January 8, 2017, and the liability information provided herein, except as otherwise noted, represents the liability data of the Debtors as of the close of business on January 8, 2017.**

- 3. Net Book Value of Assets.** It would be prohibitively expensive, unduly burdensome, and an inefficient use of estate assets for the Debtors to obtain current market valuations for all of their assets. Accordingly, unless otherwise indicated, the Debtors' Schedules and Statements reflect net book values as of the close of business on January 8, 2017, in the Debtors' books and records. Additionally, because the book values of certain assets, may materially differ from their fair market values, they may be listed as undetermined amounts as of the Petition Date. Furthermore, as applicable, assets that have fully depreciated or were expensed for accounting purposes may not appear in the Schedules and Statements if they have no net book value. The Company reviews its long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may not be recovered. Due to the impact of the oil recession on the Debtors' business, inventory and fixed asset impairments were recorded on December 31, 2015. Additional inventory impairments were recorded in July, August and September of 2016.
- 4. Recharacterization.** Notwithstanding the Debtors' reasonable efforts to properly characterize, classify, categorize, or designate certain Claims, assets, executory contracts, unexpired leases and other items reported in the Schedules and Statements, the Debtors may, nevertheless, have improperly characterized, classified, categorized, designated, or omitted certain items due to the complexity and size of the Debtors' businesses. Accordingly, the Debtors reserve all of their rights to recharacterize, reclassify, recategorize, redesignate, add or delete items reported in the Schedules and Statements at a later time as is necessary or appropriate as additional information becomes available, including, without limitation, whether contracts or leases listed herein were deemed executory or unexpired as of the Petition Date and remain executory and unexpired postpetition.

5. **Real Property and Personal Property–Leased** The Debtor does not lease any real property. In the ordinary course of their businesses, the Debtors leased various articles of personal property, including, fixtures, and equipment, from certain third-party lessors. The Debtors have made reasonable efforts to list all such leases in the Schedules and Statements. The Debtors have made reasonable efforts to include lease obligations on Schedule D (secured debt) to the extent applicable and to the extent the lessor filed a UCC-1. However, nothing in the Schedules or Statements is or shall be construed as an admission or determination as to the legal status of any lease (including whether to assume and assign or reject such lease or whether it is a true lease or a financing arrangement).

6. **Excluded Assets and Liabilities.** The Debtors have sought to allocate liabilities between the prepetition and post-petition periods based on the information and research conducted in connection with the preparation of the Schedules and Statements. As additional information becomes available and further research is conducted, the allocation of liabilities between the prepetition and post-petition periods may change.

The liabilities listed on the Schedules do not reflect any analysis of Claims under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code. Accordingly, the Debtors reserve all of their rights to dispute or challenge the validity of any asserted Claims under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code or the characterization of the structure of any such transaction or any document or instrument related to any creditor's Claim.

The Debtors have excluded certain categories of assets, tax accruals, and liabilities from the Schedules and Statements, including, without limitation, goodwill, accrued salaries, employee benefit accruals, and deferred gains. In addition, certain immaterial assets and liabilities may have been excluded.

The Bankruptcy Court has authorized the Debtors to pay, in their discretion, certain outstanding Claims on a post-petition basis. However, only prepetition liabilities related to ordinary course wages and compensation that have been paid post-petition have been excluded from the Schedules.

7. **Insiders.** Solely, for purposes of the Schedules and Statements, the Debtors define "insiders" to include the following: (a) directors; (b) senior level officers; (c) equity holders holding in excess of 5% of the voting securities of the Debtor entities; (d) Debtor affiliates; and (e) relatives of any of the foregoing (to the extent known by the Debtors). Entities listed as "insiders" have been included for informational purposes and their inclusion shall not constitute an admission that those entities are insiders for purposes of section 101(31) of the Bankruptcy Code.

8. **Intellectual Property Rights.** The exclusion of any intellectual property shall not be construed as an admission that such intellectual property rights have been abandoned, terminated, assigned, expired by their terms, or otherwise transferred pursuant to a sale, acquisition, or other transaction. Conversely, inclusion of certain intellectual property shall not be construed to be an admission that such intellectual property rights have not been abandoned, terminated, assigned, expired by their terms, or otherwise transferred pursuant to a sale, acquisition, or other transaction.

In addition, although the Debtors have made diligent efforts to attribute intellectual property to the rightful Debtor entity, in certain instances, intellectual property owned by one Debtor may, in fact, be owned by another Debtor. Accordingly, the Debtors reserve all of their rights with respect to the legal status of any and all such intellectual property rights.

9. **Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases**. Although the Debtors made diligent attempts to attribute executory contracts and unexpired leases to their rightful Debtors, in certain instances, the Debtors may have inadvertently failed to do so due to the complexity and size of the Debtors' businesses.

Moreover, the Debtors have not necessarily set forth executory contracts and unexpired leases as assets in the Schedules and Statements, even though these contracts and leases may have some value to the Debtors' estates. The Debtors' executory contracts and unexpired leases have been set forth in Schedule G.

10. **Materialman's/Mechanic's Liens**. The assets listed in the Schedules and Statements are presented without consideration of any materialman's or mechanic's liens.

11. **Classifications**. Listing a Claim or contract on (a) Schedule D as "secured," (b) Schedule E/F part 1 as "priority," (c) Schedule E/F part 2 as "unsecured," or (d) Schedule G as "executory" or "unexpired," does not constitute an admission by the Debtors of the legal rights of the Claimant, or a waiver of the Debtors' rights to recharacterize or reclassify such Claims or contracts or leases or to setoff of such Claims.

12. **Claims Description**. Schedules D and E/F permit each Debtor to designate a Claim as "disputed," "contingent," and/or "unliquidated." Any failure to designate a Claim on a given Debtor's Schedules and Statements as "disputed," "contingent," or "unliquidated" does not constitute an admission by that Debtor that such amount is not "disputed," "contingent," or "unliquidated," or that such Claim is not subject to objection. Moreover, listing a Claim does not constitute an admission of liability by the Debtors.

13. **Causes of Action**. Despite their reasonable efforts to identify all known assets, the Debtors may not have listed all of their causes of action or potential causes of action against third-parties as assets in the Schedules and Statements, including, without limitation, causes of actions arising under the provisions of chapter 5 of the Bankruptcy Code and any other relevant non-bankruptcy laws to recover assets or avoid transfers. The Debtors reserve all of their rights with respect to any cause of action (including avoidance actions), controversy, right of setoff, cross-Claim, counter-Claim, or recoupment and any Claim on contracts or for breaches of duties imposed by law or in equity, demand, right, action, lien, indemnity, guaranty, suit, obligation, liability, damage, judgment, account, defense, power, privilege, license, and franchise of any kind or character whatsoever, known, unknown, fixed or contingent, matured or unmatured, suspected or unsuspected, liquidated or unliquidated, disputed or undisputed, secured or unsecured, assertable directly or derivatively, whether arising before, on, or after the Petition Date, in contract or in tort, in law, or in equity, or pursuant to any other theory of law (collectively, "**Causes of Action**") they may have, and neither these Global Notes nor the Schedules and Statements shall be deemed a waiver of any Claims or Causes of Action or in any way prejudice or impair the assertion of such Claims or Causes of Action.

**14. Summary of Significant Reporting Policies.** The following is a summary of significant reporting policies:

- a. Undetermined Amounts. The description of an amount as “unknown,” “TBD” or “undetermined” is not intended to reflect upon the materiality of such amount.
- b. Totals. All totals that are included in the Schedules and Statements represent totals of all known amounts. To the extent there are unknown or undetermined amounts, the actual total may be different than the listed total.
- c. Liens. Property and equipment listed in the Schedules and Statements are presented without consideration of any liens that may attach (or have attached) to such property and equipment.

**15. Estimates and Assumptions.** Because of the timing of the filings, management was required to make certain estimates and assumptions that affected the reported amounts of these assets and liabilities. Actual amounts could differ from those estimates, perhaps materially.

**16. Currency.** Unless otherwise indicated, all amounts are reflected in U.S. dollars.

**17. Intercompany.** The listing in the Schedules or Statements (including, without limitation, Schedule A/B or Schedule E/F) by the Debtors of any obligation between a Debtor and another Debtor is a statement of what appears in the Debtors’ books and records and does not reflect any admission or conclusion of the Debtors regarding whether such amount would be allowed as a Claim or how such obligations may be classified and/or characterized in a plan of reorganization or by the Bankruptcy Court.

**18. Setoffs.** The Debtors incur certain offsets and other similar rights during the ordinary course of business. Offsets in the ordinary course can result from various items, including, without limitation, intercompany transactions, pricing discrepancies, returns, refunds, warranties, debit memos, credits, and other disputes between the Debtors and their suppliers and/or customers. These offsets and other similar rights are consistent with the ordinary course of business in the Debtors’ industry and are not tracked separately. Therefore, although such offsets and other similar rights may have been accounted for when certain amounts were included in the Schedules, offsets are not independently accounted for, and as such, are or may be excluded from the Debtors’ Schedules and Statements.

**19. Employee Addresses.** Employee addresses have been removed from entries listed on Schedules E/F and G and the Statements, as applicable. These addresses are available upon request of the Office of the United States Trustee and the Bankruptcy Court.

**20. Global Notes Control.** If the Schedules and Statements differ from these Global Notes, the Global Notes shall control.

**Specific Disclosures with Respect to the Debtors' Schedules**

**Schedule A/B.** All values set forth in Schedule A/B reflect the book value of the Debtors' assets as of the close of business on January 8, 2017, unless otherwise noted below. The Debtors have not included leases and contracts on Schedule A/B. Leases and contracts are listed on Schedule G.

**Schedule A/B 3.** Cash values held in financial accounts are listed on Schedule A/B 3 as of the close of business on January 8, 2017. Details with respect to the Debtors' cash management system and bank accounts are provided in the *Debtors' Motion for Entry of Interim and Final Orders Authorizing Continued Use of the Debtors' Cash Management System* [Docket No. 9] (the "**Cash Management Motion**").

**Schedule A/B 7.** The Bankruptcy Court, pursuant to the *Motion for Interim and Final Orders Establishing Adequate Assurance Procedures with Respect to the Debtors' Utility Providers* [Docket No. 11], has authorized the Debtors to provide adequate assurance of payment for postpetition utility services, including a deposit in the amount of \$6,000. Such deposit is not listed on Schedule A/B 7, which was prepared as of the Petition Date.

**Schedule A/B 11.** Accounts receivable do not include intercompany receivables.

**Schedule A/B 15.** Ownership interests in subsidiaries have been listed in Schedules A/B 15 as an undetermined amount because the fair market value of such ownership is dependent on numerous variables and factors and likely differs significantly from their net book value.

**Schedule A/B 55.** The Debtors have listed owned real property in Schedule A/B 55. The Debtors do not have any real property leases. The listing of item number 55.7 in Schedule A/B 55 for Chieftain Sand and Proppant Barron, LLC relates to an Option Agreement between Robert C. Peterson and Janice Peterson and Chieftain Sand and Proppant Barron, LLC, dated as of July 28, 2014, as amended by the First Amendment dated March 17, 2015 and Second Amendment dated June 29, 2016. The subject parcels were conveyed by Warranty Deed of Robert C. Peterson and Janice Peterson dated March 30, 2015. Under the terms of a Second Amendment to Option Agreement dated June 29, 2016 (further amending an Option Agreement dated July 28, 2014 between Robert C. Peterson and Janice Peterson and Chieftain Sand and Proppant Barron, LLC, as amended by the First Amendment thereto dated March 17, 2015), if a \$205,000 payment is not made by December 31, 2016, Chieftain Sand and Proppant Barron, LLC is obligated to reconvey the parcel. The payment has not been made.

**Schedule A/B 74 & 75.** In the ordinary course of their businesses, the Debtors may have accrued, or may subsequently accrue, certain rights to counter-Claims, setoffs, refunds, or warranty Claims. Additionally, certain of the Debtors may be a party to pending litigation in which the Debtors have asserted, or may assert, Claims as a plaintiff or counter-Claims as a defendant. Because such Claims are unknown to the

Debtors and not quantifiable as of the Petition Date, they are not listed on Schedule A/B 74 or 75. The Debtors' failure to list any contingent and/or unliquidated claim held by the Debtors in response to these questions shall not constitute a waiver, release, relinquishment, or forfeiture of such claim.

**Schedule D.** The Claims listed on Schedule D arose or were incurred on various dates; a determination of the date upon which each Claim arose or was incurred would be unduly burdensome and cost prohibitive. Accordingly, not all such dates are included. All Claims listed on Schedule D, however, appear to have been incurred before the Petition Date.

Reference to the applicable loan agreements and related documents is necessary for a complete description of the collateral and the nature, extent, and priority of liens. Nothing in the Global Notes or the Schedules and Statements shall be deemed a modification or interpretation of the terms of such agreements. Except as specifically stated on Schedule D, real property lessors, utility companies, and other parties that may hold security deposits have not been listed on Schedule D. Nothing herein shall be construed as an admission by the Debtors of the legal rights of the Claimant or a waiver of the Debtors' rights to recharacterize or reclassify such Claim or contract.

Moreover, the Debtors have not included on Schedule D parties that may believe their Claims are secured through setoff rights, letters of credit, surety bonds, or inchoate statutory lien rights.

**Schedule E/F part 2.** The Debtors have used reasonable efforts to report all general unsecured Claims against the Debtors on Schedule E/F part 2, based upon the Debtors' books and records as of the Petition Date.

Determining the date upon which each Claim on Schedule E/F part 2 was incurred or arose would be unduly burdensome and cost prohibitive and, therefore, the Debtors do not list a date for each Claim listed on Schedule E/F part 2. Furthermore, claims listed on Schedule E/F part 2 may have been aggregated by unique creditor name and remit to address and may include several dates of incurrence for the aggregate balance listed.

Schedule E/F part 2 contains information regarding pending litigation involving the Debtors. The dollar amount of potential Claims associated with any such pending litigation is listed as "undetermined" and marked as contingent, unliquidated, and disputed in the Schedules and Statements. Some of the litigation Claims listed on Schedule E/F may be subject to subordination pursuant to section 510 of the Bankruptcy Code. Schedule E/F part 2 also includes potential or threatened litigation claims. Any information contained in Schedule E/F part 2 with respect to such potential litigation shall not be a binding representation of the Debtors' liabilities with respect to any of the potential suits and proceedings included therein. The Debtors expressly incorporate by reference into Schedule E/F part 2 all parties to pending litigation listed in the Debtors' Statements 7, as contingent, unliquidated, and disputed claims, to the extent not already listed on Schedule E/F part 2.

Schedule E/F part 2 reflects the prepetition amounts owing to counterparties to executory contracts and unexpired leases. Such prepetition amounts, however, may be paid in connection with the assumption, or assumption and assignment, of executory contracts or unexpired leases. Additionally, Schedule E/F part 2 does not include potential rejection



damage Claims, if any, of the counterparties to executory contracts and unexpired leases that may be rejected.

**Schedule G.** Certain information, such as the contact information of the counter-party, may not be included where such information could not be obtained using the Debtors' reasonable efforts. Listing or omitting a contract or agreement on Schedule G does not constitute an admission that such contract or agreement is or is not an executory contract or unexpired lease was in effect on the Petition Date or is valid or enforceable. Certain of the leases and contracts listed on Schedule G may contain certain renewal options, guarantees of payment, indemnifications, options to purchase, rights of first refusal and other miscellaneous rights. Such rights, powers, duties and obligations are not set forth separately on Schedule G.

Certain confidentiality and non-disclosure agreements may not be listed on Schedule G.

Certain of the contracts and agreements listed on Schedule G may consist of several parts, including, purchase orders, amendments, restatements, waivers, letters and other documents that may not be listed on Schedule G or that may be listed as a single entry. In some cases, the same supplier or provider appears multiple times on Schedule G. This multiple listing is intended to reflect distinct agreements between the applicable Debtor and such supplier or provider. The Debtors expressly reserve their rights to challenge whether such related materials constitute an executory contract, a single contract or agreement or multiple, severable or separate contracts.

The contracts, agreements, and leases listed on Schedule G may have expired or may have been modified, amended or supplemented from time to time by various amendments, restatements, waivers, estoppel certificates, letters, memoranda and other documents, instruments, and agreements that may not be listed therein despite the Debtors' use of reasonable efforts to identify such documents. Further, unless otherwise specified on Schedule G, each executory contract or unexpired lease listed thereon shall include all exhibits, schedules, riders, modifications, declarations, amendments, supplements, attachments, restatements, or other agreements made directly or indirectly by any agreement, instrument, or other document that in any manner affects such executory contract or unexpired lease, without respect to whether such agreement, instrument, or other document is listed thereon.

In addition, the Debtors may have entered into various other types of agreements in the ordinary course of their businesses, such as subordination, nondisturbance, and attornment agreements, supplemental agreements, settlement agreements, amendments/letter agreements, title agreements and confidentiality agreements. Such documents may not be set forth on Schedule G. Certain of the executory agreements may not have been memorialized and could be subject to dispute. Executory agreements that are oral in nature have not been included on the Schedule G.

In addition, although the Debtors have made diligent efforts to attribute the contracts, agreements, and leases listed on Schedule G to the rightful Debtor entity, in certain instances, it is unclear which Debtor entity is party to the contract. In these cases, out of an abundance of caution, the Debtors have listed those contracts, agreements, and leases on the Schedule G of both Debtors. Accordingly, the

Debtors reserve all of their rights with respect to the legal status of any and all such contracts, agreements, and leases.

**Schedule H.** For purposes of Schedule H, the Debtors that are either the principal obligors or guarantors under the prepetition debt facilities are listed as Co-Debtors on Schedule H. The Debtors may not have identified certain guarantees associated with the Debtors' executory contracts, unexpired leases, secured financings, debt instruments and other such agreements.

In the ordinary course of their businesses, the Debtors may be involved in pending or threatened litigation. These matters may involve multiple plaintiffs and defendants, some or all of whom may assert cross-Claims and counter-Claims against other parties. Because the Debtors have treated all such Claims as contingent, disputed, or unliquidated, such Claims have not been set forth individually on Schedule H. Litigation matters can be found on each Debtor's Schedule E/F part 2 and Statement 7, as applicable.

### **Specific Disclosures with Respect to the Debtors' Statements**

**Statement 3.** Statement 3 includes any disbursement or other transfer made by the Debtors within 90 days before the Petition Date except for those made to insiders (which payments appear in response to Statement question 4), employees, and bankruptcy professionals (which payments appear in Statement 11 and include any retainers paid to bankruptcy professionals). The amounts listed in Statement 3 reflect the Debtors' disbursements netted against any check level detail; thus, to the extent a disbursement was made to pay for multiple invoices, only one entry has been listed on Statement 3. All disbursements listed on Statement 3 are made through the Debtors' consolidated cash management system maintained by Chieftain Sand and Proppant Barron, LLC and listed for that Debtor.

**Statement 4.** Statement 4 accounts for a respective Debtor's intercompany transactions, as well as other transfers to insiders as applicable. With respect to individuals, the amounts listed reflect the universe of payments and transfers to such individuals including compensation, bonus (if any), expense reimbursement, relocation reimbursement and/or severance. Amounts paid on behalf of such employee for certain life and disability coverage, which coverage is provided to all of the Debtors' employees, has not been included.

The Debtors have included all consulting and payroll distributions and travel, entertainment, and other expense reimbursements, aggregated by date, made over the twelve months preceding the Petition Date to any individual that may be deemed an "Insider."

**Statement 5.** Statement 5 excludes goods returned in the ordinary course of business.

**Statement 7.** Any information contained in Statement 7 shall not be a binding representation of the Debtors' liabilities with respect to any of the suits and proceedings identified therein.

**Statement 10.** The Debtors occasionally incur losses for a variety of reasons, including theft and property damage. The Debtors, however, may not have records of all such losses if such losses do not have a material impact on the Debtors' businesses or are not reported for insurance purposes.

**Statement 11.** Out of an abundance of caution, the Debtors have included payments to all professionals who have rendered any advice related the Debtors' bankruptcy proceedings in Statement 11. However, it is possible that the disclosed fees also relate to other, non-bankruptcy related services and may include services rendered to other parties.

**Statement 26d.** The Debtors have provided financial statements in the ordinary course of their businesses to numerous financial institutions, creditors, and other parties within two years immediately before the Petition Date. Considering the number of such recipients and the possibility that such information may have been shared with parties without the Debtors' knowledge or consent or subject to confidentiality agreements, the Debtors have not disclosed any parties that may have received such financial statements for the purposes of Statement 26d except for their secured lenders.

**Statement 30.** Unless otherwise indicated in a Debtor's specific response to Statement 30, the Debtors have included a comprehensive response to Statement 30 in Statement 4.

**Fill in this information to identify the case:**

**Debtor name:** Chieftain Sand and Proppant, LLC  
**United States Bankruptcy Court for the:** District of Delaware  
**Case number (if known):** 17-10064

Check if this is an amended filing

Official Form 207

**Statement of Financial Affairs for Non-Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy** 04/16

The debtor must answer every question. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write the debtor's name and case number (if known).

**Part 1: Income**

**1. Gross revenue from business**

None

Identify the beginning and ending dates of the debtor's fiscal year, which may be a calendar year	Sources of revenue (Check all that apply)	Gross revenue (before deductions and exclusions)
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**2. Non-business revenue**

Include revenue regardless of whether that revenue is taxable. *Non-business income* may include interest, dividends, money collected from lawsuits, and royalties. List each source and the gross revenue for each separately. Do not include revenue listed in line 1.

None

Description of sources of revenue	Gross revenue from each source (before deductions and exclusions)
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Debtor **Chieftain Sand and Proppant, LLC**

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**Part 2: List Certain Transfers Made Before Filing for Bankruptcy**

**3. Certain payments or transfers to creditors within 90 days before filing this case**

List payments or transfers—including expense reimbursements—to any creditor, other than regular employee compensation, within 90 days before filing this case unless the aggregate value of all property transferred to that creditor is less than \$6,425. (This amount may be adjusted on 4/01/19 and every 3 years after that with respect to cases filed on or after the date of adjustment.)

None

Creditor's name and address	Dates	Total amount or value	Reasons for payment or transfer <i>Check all that apply</i>
3.1. _____ _____ _____	_____	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Secured debt <input type="checkbox"/> Unsecured loan repayments <input type="checkbox"/> Suppliers or vendors <input type="checkbox"/> Services <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

**4. Payments or other transfers of property made within 1 year before filing this case that benefited any insider**

List payments or transfers, including expense reimbursements, made within 1 year before filing this case on debts owed to an insider or guaranteed or cosigned by an insider unless the aggregate value of all property transferred to or for the benefit of the insider is less than \$6,425.00. (This amount may be adjusted on 4/01/19 and every 3 years after that with respect to cases filed on or after the date of adjustment.) Do not include any payments listed in line 3. *Insiders* include officers, directors, and anyone in control of a corporate debtor and their relatives; general partners of a partnership debtor and their relatives; affiliates of the debtor and insiders of such affiliates; and any managing agent of the debtor. 11 U.S.C. § 101(31).

None

Insider's name and address	Dates	Total amount or value	Reasons for payment or transfer
4.1. ENERGY CAPITAL PARTNERS 51 JFK PARKWAY SUITE 200 SHORT HILLS NJ 07078	6/22/2016	\$46,000,000.00	LOAN/INTEREST PAYMENT
<b>Relationship to debtor</b>			
OWNER/SECURED CREDITOR			

**5. Repossessions, foreclosures, and returns**

List all property of the debtor that was obtained by a creditor within 1 year before filing this case, including property repossessed by a creditor, sold at a foreclosure sale, transferred by a deed in lieu of foreclosure, or returned to the seller. Do not include property listed in line 6.

None

Creditor's name and address	Description of the property	Date	Value of property
5.1. _____ _____ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____

Debtor **Chieftain Sand and Proppant, LLC**

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**6. Setoffs**

List any creditor, including a bank or financial institution, that within 90 days before filing this case set off or otherwise took anything from an account of the debtor without permission or refused to make a payment at the debtor's direction from an account of the debtor because the debtor owed a debt.

None

Creditor's name and address	Description of the action creditor took	Date action was taken	Amount
6.1. _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ Last 4 digits of account number: XXXX-_____	_____	\$ _____

Debtor **Chieftain Sand and Proppant, LLC**

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**Part 3: Legal Actions or Assignments**

**7. Legal actions, administrative proceedings, court actions, executions, attachments, or governmental audits**

List the legal actions, proceedings, investigations, arbitrations, mediations, and audits by federal or state agencies in which the debtor was involved in any capacity—within 1 year before filing this case.

None

Case title	Nature of case	Court or agency's name and address	Status of case
7.1. _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Pending
<b>Case number</b>	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> On appeal
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Concluded

**8. Assignments and receivership**

List any property in the hands of an assignee for the benefit of creditors during the 120 days before filing this case and any property in the hands of a receiver, custodian, or other court-appointed officer within 1 year before filing this case.

None

Custodian's name and address	Description of the property	Value
8.1. _____	_____	\$ _____
_____	<b>Case title</b>	<b>Court name and address</b>
_____	_____	_____
	<b>Case number</b>	_____
	_____	_____
	<b>Date of order or assignment</b>	_____
	_____	

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**Part 4: Certain Gifts and Charitable Contributions**

9. List all gifts or charitable contributions the debtor gave to a recipient within 2 years before filing this case unless the aggregate value of the gifts to that recipient is less than \$1,000.

None

Recipient's name and address	Description of the gifts or contributions	Dates given	Value
9.1. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>Recipient's relationship to debtor</b>			
_____			



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**Part 5: Certain Losses**

**10. All losses from fire, theft, or other casualty within 1 year before filing this case.**

None

Description of the property lost and how the loss occurred	Amount of payments received for the loss <small>If you have received payments to cover the loss, for example, from insurance, government compensation, or tort liability, list the total received. List unpaid claims on Official Form 106A/B (Schedule A/B: Assets – Real and Personal Property).</small>	Date of loss	Value of property lost
10.1. _____	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____

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**Part 6: Certain Payments or Transfers**

**11. Payments related to bankruptcy**

List any payments of money or other transfers of property made by the debtor or person acting on behalf of the debtor within 1 year before the filing of this case to another person or entity, including attorneys, that the debtor consulted about debt consolidation or restructuring, seeking bankruptcy relief, or filing a bankruptcy case.

None

	Who was paid or who received the transfer?	If not money, describe any property transferred	Dates	Total amount or value
11.1.	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
	<b>Address</b>			
	_____			
	_____			
	_____			
	<b>Email or website address</b>			
	_____			
	<b>Who made the payment, if not debtor?</b>			
	_____			
	_____			
	_____			

**12. Self-settled trusts of which the debtor is a beneficiary**

List any payments or transfers of property made by the debtor or a person acting on behalf of the debtor within 10 years before the filing of this case to a self-settled trust or similar device. Do not include transfers already listed on this statement.

None

	Name of trust or device	Describe any property transferred	Dates transfers were made	Total amount or value
12.1.	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
	<b>Trustee</b>			
	_____			
	_____			
	_____			

**13. Transfers not already listed on this statement**

List any transfers of money or other property—by sale, trade, or any other means—made by the debtor or a person acting on behalf of the debtor within 2 years before the filing of this case to another person, other than property transferred in the ordinary course of business or financial affairs. Include both outright transfers and transfers made as security. Do not include gifts or transfers previously listed on this statement.

None

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Who received transfer?	Description of property transferred or payments received or debts paid in exchange	Date transfer was made	Total amount or value
13.1. SAMSAND, LLC	MEMBER INTEREST IN CHIEFTAIN SAND AND PROPPANT ARKANSAS, LLC	4/3/2015	\$425,000.00
<b>Address</b>			
P.O. BOX 7445 LITTLE ROCK AR 72217			
<b>Relationship to debtor</b>			
BUYER OF SUBSIDIARY			

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**Part 7: Previous Locations**

**14. Previous addresses**

List all previous addresses used by the debtor within 3 years before filing this case and the dates the addresses were used.

Does not apply

Address	Dates of occupancy
14.1. 1228 15TH ST SUITE 308 DENVER CO 80202	From 5/1/2012 To 05/2016

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**Part 8: Healthcare Bankruptcies**

**15. Healthcare bankruptcies**

Is the debtor primarily engaged in offering services and facilities for:  
 — diagnosing or treating injury, deformity, or disease, or  
 — providing any surgical, psychiatric, drug treatment, or obstetric care?

No. Go to Part 9.

Yes. Fill in the information below.

Facility name and address	Nature of the business operation, including type of services the debtor provides	If debtor provides meals and housing, number of patients in debtor's care
15.1. _____ _____ _____	<b>Location where patient records are maintained</b> (if different from facility address). If electronic, identify any service provider _____ _____ _____	<b>How are records kept?</b> Check all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Electronically <input type="checkbox"/> Paper

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**Part 9: Personally Identifiable Information**

**16. Does the debtor collect and retain personally identifiable information of customers?**

- No
- Yes. State the nature of the information collected and retained. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Does the debtor have a privacy policy about that information?
  - No
  - Yes

**17. Within 6 years before filing this case, have any employees of the debtor been participants in any ERISA, 401(k), 403(b) or other pension or profit-sharing plan made available by the debtor as an employee benefit?**

- No. Go to Part 10.
- Yes. Does the debtor serve as plan administrator?
  - No. Go to Part 10
  - Yes. Fill in below:

Name of plan	Employer identification number of the plan
CHIEFTAIN SAND AND PROPPANT, LLC 401(K) PLAN	EIN: 35-2431729

Has the plan been terminated?

- No
- Yes

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**Part 10: Certain Financial Accounts, Safe Deposit Boxes, and Storage Units**

**18. Closed financial accounts**

Within 1 year before filing this case, were any financial accounts or instruments held in the debtor's name, or for the debtor's benefit, closed, sold, moved, or transferred? Include checking, savings, money market, or other financial accounts; certificates of deposit; and shares in banks, credit unions, brokerage houses, cooperatives, associations, and other financial institutions.

None

Financial institution name and address	Last 4 digits of account number	Type of account	Date account was closed, sold, moved, or transferred	Last balance before closing or transfer
18.1. _____ _____ _____	XXX-_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Checking <input type="checkbox"/> Savings <input type="checkbox"/> Money market <input type="checkbox"/> Brokerage <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	_____	\$ _____

**19. Safe deposit boxes**

List any safe deposit box or other depository for securities, cash, or other valuables the debtor now has or did have within 1 year before filing this case.

None

Depository institution name and address	Name and address of anyone with access to it	Description of the contents	Does debtor still have it?
19.1. _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes

**20. Off-premises storage**

List any property kept in storage units or warehouses within 1 year before filing this case. Do not include facilities that are in a part of a building in which the debtor does business.

None

Depository institution name and address	Name and address of anyone with access to it	Description of the contents	Does debtor still have it?
20.1. _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes

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**Part 11: Property the Debtor Holds or Controls That the Debtor Does Not Own**

**21. Property held for another**

List any property that the debtor holds or controls that another entity owns. Include any property borrowed from, being stored for, or held in trust. Do not list leased or rented property.

None

	Owner's name and address	Location of the property	Description of the property	Value
21.1.	_____	_____	_____	\$ _____
	_____			
	_____			



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**Part 12: Details About Environmental Information**

For the purpose of Part 12, the following definitions apply:

- *Environmental law* means any statute or governmental regulation that concerns pollution, contamination, or hazardous material, regardless of the medium affected (air, land, water, or any other medium).
- *Site* means any location, facility, or property, including disposal sites, that the debtor now owns, operates, or utilizes or that the debtor formerly owned, operated, or utilized.
- *Hazardous material* means anything that an environmental law defines as hazardous or toxic, or describes as a pollutant, contaminant, or a similarly harmful substance.

Report all notices, releases, and proceedings known, regardless of when they occurred.

**22. Has the debtor been a party in any judicial or administrative proceeding under any environmental law?** Include settlements and orders.

- No  
 Yes. Provide details below.

Case title	Court or agency name and address	Nature of the case	Status of case
22.1. _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Pending
<b>Case number</b>	_____		<input type="checkbox"/> On appeal
_____	_____		<input type="checkbox"/> Concluded

**23. Has any governmental unit otherwise notified the debtor that the debtor may be liable or potentially liable under or in violation of an environmental law?**

- No  
 Yes. Provide details below.

Site name and address	Governmental unit name and address	Environmental law, if known	Date of notice
23.1. _____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____		
_____	_____		

**24. Has the debtor notified any governmental unit of any release of hazardous material?**

- No  
 Yes. Provide details below.

Site name and address	Governmental unit name and address	Environmental law, if known	Date of notice
24.1. _____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____		
_____	_____		

Debtor **Chieftain Sand and Proppant, LLC**Case number (if known) **17-10064****Part 13: Details About the Debtor's Business or Connections to Any Business****25. Other businesses in which the debtor has or has had an interest**

List any business for which the debtor was an owner, partner, member, or otherwise a person in control within 6 years before filing this case. Include this information even if already listed in the Schedules.

 None

Business name and address	Describe the nature of the business	Employer Identification number Do not include Social Security number or ITIN.
25.1. CHIEFTAIN SAND AND PROPPANT ARKANSAS, LLC 2327 MILLER COUNTY CR 381 GARLAND CITY AR 71389	MANUFACTURER OF INDUSTRIAL SAND	EIN: 35-2431729  <b>Dates business existed</b> From 7/1/2009 To 4/10/2015
Business name and address	Describe the nature of the business	Employer Identification number Do not include Social Security number or ITIN.
25.2. CHIEFTAIN SAND AND PROPPANT BARRON, LLC 331 27TH STREET NEW AUBURN WI 54757	MANUFACTURER OF INDUSTRIAL SAND	EIN: 45-3820418  <b>Dates business existed</b> From 10/27/2011 To Present

**26. Books, records, and financial statements**

26a. List all accountants and bookkeepers who maintained the debtor's books and records within 2 years before filing this case.

 None

Name and address	Dates of service
26a.1. EKS&H LLP 7979 E TUFTS AVE SUITE 400 DENVER CO 80237-2521	From 1/2012 To Present
Name and address	Dates of service
26a.2. GREG KRIZAN Address Intentionally Omitted	From 1/1/2015 To 9/2016
Name and address	Dates of service
26a.3. KASEY DUELLMAN Address Intentionally Omitted	From 1/1/2015 To 12/2015
Name and address	Dates of service
26a.4. KELLY PHILLIPS Address Intentionally Omitted	From 1/1/2015 To 11/2016
Name and address	Dates of service
26a.5. RICHARD COURNOYER Address Intentionally Omitted	From 1/1/2015 To 8/2015
Name and address	Dates of service
26a.6. SHERRI BEREKVAM Address Intentionally Omitted	From 1/1/2015 To 10/2015

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	Name and address	Dates of service
26a.7.	STEVE HOFKES C/O CHIEFTAIN SAND AND PROPPANT, LLC 331 27TH STREET NEW AUBURN WI 54757	From 1/1/2015 To Present

26b. List all firms or individuals who have audited, compiled, or reviewed debtor's books of account and records or prepared a financial statement within 2 years before filing this case.

None

	Name and address	Dates of service
26b.1.	KPMG LLP 4200 WELLS FARGO CENTER 90 SOUTH SEVENTH STREET MINNEAPOLIS MN 55402	From 2/20/2015 To 06/2016

26c. List all firms or individuals who were in possession of the debtor's books of account and records when this case is filed.

None

	Name and address	If any books of account and records are unavailable, explain why
26c.1.	STEVE HOFKES C/O CHIEFTAIN SAND AND PROPPANT, LLC 331 27TH STREET NEW AUBURN WI 54757	_____

26d. List all financial institutions, creditors, and other parties, including mercantile and trade agencies, to whom the debtor issued a financial statement within 2 years before filing this case.

None

	Name and address
26d.1.	ENERGY CAPITAL PARTNERS 51 JFK PARKWAY SUITE 200 SHORT HILLS NJ 07078

**27. Inventories**

Have any inventories of the debtor's property been taken within 2 years before filing this case?

No

Yes. Give the details about the two most recent inventories.

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Name of the person who supervised the taking of the inventory	Date of inventory	The dollar amount and basis (cost, market, or other basis) of each inventory
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27.1. \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of the person who has possession of inventory records
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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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**28. List the debtor's officers, directors, managing members, general partners, members in control, controlling shareholders, or other people in control of the debtor at the time of the filing of this case.**

	Name and address	Position	Nature of any interest	% of interest, if any
28.1.	DH HOLDINGS, INC. Address Intentionally Omitted	MEMBERSHIP INTEREST	MEMBER INTEREST - CLASS A	42.08%
28.2.	ENERGY CAPITAL PARTNERS Address Intentionally Omitted	MEMBERSHIP INTEREST	MEMBER INTEREST - CLASS C	25.00%
28.3.	REDLOH SAND, INC. RUSSELL DRIVER Address Intentionally Omitted	MEMBERSHIP INTEREST	MEMBER INTEREST - CLASS A	21.04%
28.4.	VIC SERRI C/O CHIEFTAIN SAND AND PROPPANT, LLC 331 27TH STREET NEW AUBURN WI 54757	CEO & MEMBERSHIP INTEREST	MEMBER INTERESTS - CLASS B	1.50%

**29. Within 1 year before the filing of this case, did the debtor have officers, directors, managing members, general partners, members in control of the debtor, or shareholders in control of the debtor who no longer hold these positions?**

- No  
 Yes. Identify below.

	Name and address	Position	Nature of any interest	Period during which position or interest was held
29.1.	DAVID HANSON Address Intentionally Omitted	BOARD MEMBER	_____	From 12/2011 To 10/18/2016
29.2.	DAVID HANSON Address Intentionally Omitted	OFFICER	_____	From 12/2011 To 1/22/2016

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**30. Payments, distributions, or withdrawals credited or given to insiders**

Within 1 year before filing this case, did the debtor provide an insider with value in any form, including salary, other compensation, draws, bonuses, loans, credits on loans, stock redemptions, and options exercised?

- No
- Yes. Identify below

	Name and address of recipient	Amount of money or value of property	Description of property	Dates	Reason for providing the value
30.1.	SEE RESPONSE PROVIDED IN STATEMENT NO. 4	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
	<b>Relationship to debtor</b>				
	_____				

**31. Within 6 years before filing this case, has the debtor been a member of any consolidated group for tax purposes?**

- No
- Yes. Identify below

	Name of the parent corporation	Employer Identification number of the parent corporation
31.1.	CHIEFTAIN SAND AND PROPPANT, LLC	EIN: 35-2431729

**32. Within 6 years before filing this case, has the debtor as an employer been responsible for contributing to a pension fund?**

- No
- Yes. Identify below

	Name of the pension fund	Employer Identification number of the pension fund
32.1.	_____	EIN: ____ - _____
	_____	
	_____	
	_____	

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**Part 14: Signature and Declaration**

**WARNING** -- Bankruptcy fraud is a serious crime. Making a false statement, concealing property, or obtaining money or property by fraud in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$500,000 or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571.

I have examined the information in this *Statement of Financial Affairs* and any attachments and have a reasonable belief that the information is true and correct.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

1/30/2017  
MM/DD/YYYY

x Steve Hofkes Printed name Steve Hofkes  
Signature of individual signing on behalf of the debtor

Position or relationship to debtor Controller

Are additional pages to *Statement of Financial Affairs for Non-Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy* (Official Form 207) attached?

No

Yes

**Addendum to Official Form 207**  
**Debtor Name: Chieftain Sand and Proppant, LLC**

Supplement to Item 28

Debtor's Limited Liability Company Agreement, as amended, provides for a Board of Managers of five individuals, two designated by the Class A Members and three designated by the Class C Members. The current Board of Managers is as follows:

Class A Designees: Russell Driver and Victor Serri

Class C Designees: Peter Labbat, Trent Kososki and Timothy G. Becker (Address Intentionally Omitted)

On October 31, 2016 the Board of Managers established a Special Restructuring Committee (the "Special Committee") of two members, and delegated to such Special Committee the authority "to continue the investigation of all strategic options available to the [Debtor] with respect to a restructuring of the [Debtor's] enterprise as a going concern or a wind-down of the enterprise, to make decisions and take all actions in connection with the foregoing as the Special Committee deems appropriate and in the best interests of the [Debtor]."

The Board of Managers appointed Messrs. Serri and Becker to the Special Committee, determining that neither of them had any personal interest that would conflict with the individual's ability to make determinations in an independent and impartial manner.