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BROS LIMITED and CAREY MANAGEMENT INC.

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1.0 Introduction

1. Pursuant to an order (the “**Initial Order**”) granted by the Court of King’s Bench of Alberta (the “**Court**”) on June 22, 2023 (the “**Filing Date**”), Wallace & Carey Inc. (“**Wallace & Carey**”), Loudon Bros Limited (“**Loudon Bros**”, and together with Wallace & Carey, the “**Logistics Companies**”), and Carey Management Inc. (“**CMI**”, and together with the Logistics Companies, the “**Applicants**”) were granted protection under the *Companies’ Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the “**CCAA**”), and KSV Restructuring Inc. (“**KSV**”) was appointed monitor of the Applicants (the “**Monitor**”). Pursuant to the Initial Order, various priority charges were granted (the “**Priority Charges**”) against the property of the Applicants.
2. On June 30, 2023, the Court granted an Amended and Restated Initial Order (the “**ARIO**”). Pursuant to the ARIO, certain of the amounts of the Priority Charges were increased. A copy of the ARIO is provided in **Appendix “A”**.
3. On August 23, 2023, the Court granted an ancillary Order (the “**Ancillary Order**”), which amended the amounts of the Priority Charges and introduced a Transaction Fee Charge¹ against the property of the Applicants, which was payable to Alvarez & Marsal Canada Securities ULC, the financial advisor retained by the Applicants (the “**Financial Advisor**”) to carry out a sale and investment solicitation process (the “**SISP**”).
4. Pursuant to another order granted by the Court on August 23, 2023 (the “**SISP Approval Order**”), the Applicants carried out the SISP. The SISP resulted in a transaction (the “**Transaction**”) between the Applicants and 7-Eleven Canada, Inc. (“**7-Eleven**”) that was approved by the Court on November 17, 2023 pursuant to an approval and vesting order (the “**Transaction Approval and Vesting Order**”) and other orders (together with the Transaction Approval and Vesting Order, the “**Transaction Orders**”). A detailed discussion of the Transaction is provided in the Monitor’s Sixth Report to Court dated November 8, 2023 (the “**Sixth Report**”). Copies of the Sixth Report (without appendices) and the Transaction Approval and Vesting Order are attached hereto as **Appendix “B”** and “**C**”, respectively.

¹ The Transaction Fee Charge ranks equally with the Administration Charge.

5. Pursuant to the Transaction Orders, the Court approved additional transactions that resulted in the sales of real property to 7-Eleven, the approval of a transition services agreement (the “**TSA**”) among CMI, Wallace & Carey, the Monitor, and 7-Eleven, and the appointment of KSV as receiver of certain subsidiaries of CMI, being 772921 Alberta Inc. (“**772**”), Ridge Meadows Properties Ltd. (“**Ridge Meadows**”) and Spruce It Up Land Corp. (“**SIU**”, and together with 772 and Ridge Meadows, the “**Receivership Companies**”).
6. Court materials filed in these proceedings are available on the Monitor’s case website at www.ksvadvisory.com/experience/case/wallace-and-carey (the “**Case Website**”).
7. KSV is filing this eleventh report (the “**Report**”) as Monitor of the Applicants.

1.1 Purposes of this Report

1. The purposes of this Report are to:
 - a) provide background information concerning the Applicants and a high-level summary of these proceedings (the “**CCAA Proceedings**”); and
 - b) recommend that the Court issue an order:
 - i. authorizing and empowering Wallace & Carey to borrow up to an aggregate amount of \$1.3 million under a credit agreement with the Bank of Nova Scotia (“**BNS**”), in accordance with the terms of the Credit Facility Agreement, dated July 15, 2024 (the “**BNS CFA**”) with respect to: (i) a \$300,000 Scotiabank VISA business credit card (“**Visa Facility**”); and (ii) letters of credit and letters of guarantee up to a maximum of \$1,000,000 (the “**Letters of Credit Facility**”, together with the Visa Facility, the “**BNS Facilities**”); and
 - ii. granting a charge in favour of BNS on cash collateral of Wallace & Carey (the “**Cash Collateral**”) not exceeding \$1.3 million as security for any advances made by BNS in accordance with BNS CFA (the “**BNS Charge**”).

1.2 Scope and Terms of Reference

1. In preparing this Report, the Monitor has relied upon the Applicants’ unaudited financial information, books and records and discussions with the Applicants’ management and legal counsel.

2. The Monitor has not audited or otherwise attempted to verify the accuracy or completeness of the financial information relied on to prepare this Report in a manner that complies with Canadian Auditing Standards (“**CAS**”) pursuant to the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada Handbook and, accordingly, the Monitor expresses no opinion or other form of assurance contemplated under the CAS in respect of such information. Any party wishing to place reliance on the financial information should perform its own diligence.
3. An examination of any forward-looking financial information discussed herein has not been performed in accordance with the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada Handbook. Forward-looking financial forecasts and information are based on various assumptions. Actual results achieved may vary materially from the forecasted results. The Monitor expresses no opinion or other form of assurance on whether the Applicants’ businesses will perform in accordance with their financial forecasts and projections.

1.3 Currency

1. All references to currency in this Report are to Canadian dollars.

2.0 Applicants’ Background

1. CMI is an Alberta corporation and the sole shareholder of Wallace & Carey, which is the sole shareholder of Loudon Bros. In addition to the Logistics Companies, CMI has ownership interests in nine subsidiaries, none of which are subject to the CCAA Proceedings. These include 100% of the equity of 772 and Ridge Meadows, and 84.57% of the equity of SIU, each of which is now subject to the receivership proceedings referenced in paragraph 1.5 above. CMI’s corporate organizational chart is provided in **Appendix “D”**.
2. Wallace & Carey is an Alberta corporation that is extra-provincially registered to conduct business in most provinces and territories in Canada.
3. Loudon Bros, located in Thunder Bay, Ontario, is an Ontario corporation that is wholly owned by Wallace & Carey, which, until late 2023, operated as Wallace & Carey’s Northwestern Ontario branch. As part of their efforts to downsize their businesses during these proceedings, the Applicants decided to discontinue the Loudon Bros business and to sell its assets.

4. Pursuant to the terms of the Transaction Approval and Vesting Order and the TSA, Wallace & Carey continues to carry on active business operations. As provided for in the TSA, and subject to the terms and conditions of the TSA, from and after 12:01 a.m. on November 19, 2023 (the “**Effective Closing Time**”), 7-Eleven is responsible for funding substantially all post-Effective Closing Time costs of Wallace & Carey’s operations.
5. Prior to the CCAA Proceedings, CIBC provided CMI with a revolving asset-based loan (the “**CIBC Revolving Loan**”) and a term loan facility (jointly with the CIBC Revolving Loan, the “**CIBC Facilities**”). The CIBC Facilities were guaranteed by the Logistics Companies and various other entities within the CMI corporate group, including 772, SIU, and Ridge Meadows. Pursuant to the terms of a Forbearance Agreement between the Applicants and CIBC dated June 22, 2023, all amounts owing to CIBC as of the Filing Date under the CIBC Revolving Loan (being approximately \$38.54 million) were repaid during the CCAA Proceedings through accounts receivables collections, and all amounts advanced by CIBC since that time were secured by the Lender Priority Charge granted under the Initial Order.
6. As of the Effective Closing Time, CIBC discontinued funding the Applicants’ business and operations.
7. As of the date of this Report, all amounts owing by the Applicants to CIBC have been repaid in full, including amounts owing to it pursuant to the Lender Priority Charge, the BCAP Loan (as defined in the Initial Order), and letters of credit²; however, the Applicants, including Wallace & Carey, have continued to bank with CIBC since the Effective Closing Date.

3.0 BNS Facilities and BNS Charge

1. As at the date of this Report, Wallace & Carey remains subject to the TSA for at least six more months for the Western Business and approximately three and a half months for the Eastern Business (as both businesses are defined in the TSA). As 7-Eleven’s main bank in Canada is BNS, the BNS Facilities will assist with the administration of Wallace & Carey’s cash management and other operational issues.

² The letters of credit have since been redrawn by Wallace & Carey, with CIBC utilizing cash generated after the Effective Closing Time to secure the letters of credit.

2. BNS is prepared to extend certain credit facilities to Wallace & Carey, in accordance with the BNS CFA. A copy of the BNS CFA is attached as Exhibit “A” to the Carey Affidavit. The key terms of the BNS CFA³ are summarized below:
 - a) **Credit facilities:** the Visa Facility and the Letters of Credit Facility;
 - b) **Security:** Cash security and authority to hold funds duly registered under the *Personal Property Security Act* (Alberta) (“**PPSA**”) in an amount not exceeding \$1.3 million;
 - c) **Conditions:** the material conditions precedent to all advances under the Credit Facility Agreement include:
 - i. a duly executed copy of the BNS CFA and a Cardholder Agreement in respect of the Visa Facility;
 - ii. all Security has been duly executed, delivered, and registered by perfection in all appropriate jurisdictions; and
 - iii. an Order of the Court approving the BNS Facilities and the Security in the CCAA Proceedings (the “**Approval Order**”).
3. Wallace & Carey requires Court approval of this transaction. BNS is only prepared to extend the BNS Facilities if they are secured by the BNS Charge, and pursuant to the ARIO, no Priority Charges can be granted over any Property (as defined in the ARIO) that rank in priority to, or *pari passu* with, any of the other Priority Charges in these proceedings without Court Order or the consent of the beneficiaries of the charges. Further, pursuant to paragraph 11(b) of the ARIO, approval of the Court is required prior to Wallace & Carey granting any security interests in respect of its Property.
4. BNS will not allow the Priority Charges to attach to the Cash Collateral.
5. During these proceedings, assets available to satisfy the claims of Wallace & Carey’s creditors as of the date of closing of the Transaction have been deposited into Wallace & Carey’s bank accounts. Therefore, the Monitor, Wallace & Carey, and 7-Eleven have agreed that the Monitor will continue to have full visibility into transactions in the BNS account.

³ All capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the BNS CFA.

3.1 Monitor's Recommendation

1. The Monitor supports the approval of the BNS CFA and the granting of the BNS Charge for the following reasons:
 - a) the BNS Facilities allow Wallace & Carey to continue operating and fulfilling its obligations under the TSA;
 - b) the BNS Charge is limited to the Cash Collateral;
 - c) the Monitor will be provided full and complete access (including electronic access) to all transaction and account information available to the Applicants pursuant to the BNS CFA and paragraph 26 of the ARIO;
 - d) the Priority Charges granted under the ARIO and Ancillary Order are not affected by the BNS Charge;
 - e) the Administration Charge, Transaction Fee Charge, Lender Priority Charge, D&O Charge, Encumbrances charge, and Tobacco Tax Charge will not attach to the Cash Collateral;
 - f) BNS requires the BNS Charge as a condition precedent to provide the BNS Facilities; and
 - g) no creditor will be prejudiced by the granting of the BNS Charge.

4.0 Next Steps in the CCAA and Receivership Proceedings

1. KSV, as both Monitor and Receiver of the Receivership Companies, has scheduled an application to be heard on August 22, 2024, at which time, KSV intends to, among other things:
 - a) seek approval to distribute \$3,313,081 in full satisfaction of the increase in the Logistics Companies' tobacco tax liabilities owing to British Columbia, Alberta, and the Yukon, as more fully discussed in the Monitor's Eighth Report to Court dated January 30, 2024, a copy of which (without appendices) is provided in **Appendix "E"**; and
 - b) provide an update on the status of realizations in the CCAA Proceedings and receivership proceedings; and

- c) provide an update regarding the estimated future distributions payable to the Provinces and Territories pursuant to the Tobacco Tax Charge.

5.0 Conclusion

1. Based on the foregoing, the Monitor respectfully recommends that this Honourable Court grant the relief sought by the Applicants at the August 8, 2024 application.

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All of which is respectfully submitted,

KSV Restructuring Inc.

KSV RESTRUCTURING INC.,
in its capacity as monitor of
Wallace & Carey Inc., Loudon Bros Limited, and Carey Management Inc.
and not in its personal capacity

APPENDIX A

[ATTACHED]



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DATE ON WHICH ORDER WAS PRONOUNCED: June 30, 2023

NAME OF JUSTICE WHO MADE THIS ORDER: The Honourable Justice M.E. Burns

LOCATION OF HEARING: Edmonton Law Courts

UPON the application of Wallace & Carey Inc., Loudon Bros Limited, and Carey Management Inc. (collectively, the "**Applicants**"),

AND UPON having read the Application, Affidavit No. 1 of Brian M. Birnie sworn June 21, 2023 ("**Birnie Affidavit No. 1**"), Affidavit No. 2 of Brian M. Birnie sworn June 27, 2023, the Pre-Filing Report of KSV Restructuring Inc. in its capacity as Proposed Monitor dated June 22, 2023, and the First Report of KSV Restructuring Inc. in its capacity as Monitor dated June 27, 2023;

AND UPON reading the consent of KSV Restructuring Inc. to act as Monitor (the “**Monitor**”);

AND UPON being advised that the secured creditors who are likely to be affected by the charges created herein have been provided notice of this application and either do not oppose or alternatively consent to the within Order;

AND UPON hearing counsel for the Applicants, counsel for the Monitor, counsel for Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, counsel for Canadian Western Bank, and counsel for other interested parties;

AND UPON reviewing the Affidavit of Service of Marica Ceko sworn June 28, 2023;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DECLARED THAT:

SERVICE

1. The time for service of the notice of application for this order (the “**Order**”) is hereby abridged and this application is properly returnable today.

APPLICATION

2. The Applicants are companies to which the *Companies’ Creditors Arrangement Act*, RSC 1985, c C-36 (“**CCAA**”) applies.

PLAN OF ARRANGEMENT

3. The Applicants shall have the authority to file and may, subject to further order of this Court, file with this Court a plan of compromise or arrangement (hereinafter referred to as the “**Plan**”) between, among others, the Applicants and one or more classes of their secured and/or unsecured creditors as they deem appropriate.

POSSESSION OF PROPERTY AND OPERATIONS

4. The Applicants shall:
 - (a) remain in possession and control of their current and future assets, undertakings, and properties of every nature and kind whatsoever, and wherever situate including all proceeds thereof (the “**Property**”);

- (b) subject to further order of this Court, continue to carry on business in a manner consistent with the preservation of their business (the “**Business**”) and Property;
 - (c) be authorized and empowered to continue to retain and employ the employees, consultants, agents, experts, accountants, counsel, and such other persons (collectively, the “**Assistants**”) currently retained or employed by them, with liberty to retain such further Assistants as they deem reasonably necessary or desirable in the ordinary course of business or for the carrying out of the terms of this Order; and
 - (d) be entitled to continue to utilize the Cash Management System (as hereinafter defined) in accordance with the Forbearance Agreement (as hereinafter defined) and that any present or future bank providing the Cash Management System shall not be under any obligation whatsoever to inquire into the propriety, validity or legality of any transfer, payment, collection or other action taken under the Cash Management System, or as to the use or application by the Applicants of funds transferred, paid, collected or otherwise dealt with in the Cash Management System, shall be entitled to provide the Cash Management System without any liability in respect thereof to any Person (as hereinafter defined) other than the Applicants, pursuant to the terms of the documentation applicable to the Cash Management System, and shall be, in their capacity as provider of the Cash Management System, unaffected creditors under any Plan with regard to any claims or expenses they may suffer or incur in connection with the provision of the Cash Management System.
5. To the extent permitted by law and subject to the terms of the Forbearance Agreement, the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to make the following advances or payments of the following expenses, incurred prior to or after this Order:
- (a) all outstanding and future wages, salaries, employee and pension benefits, vacation pay, employee incentive plan payments, and expenses payable on or after the date of this Order, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business and consistent with existing compensation policies and arrangements; and

- (b) the reasonable fees and disbursements of any Assistants retained or employed by the Applicants in respect of these proceedings, at their standard rates and charges, including for periods prior to the date of this Order.
- 6. Except as otherwise provided to the contrary herein and subject to the terms of the Forbearance Agreement, the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay all reasonable expenses incurred by the Applicants in carrying on the Business in the ordinary course after this Order, and in carrying out the provisions of this Order, which expenses shall include, without limitation:
 - (a) all expenses and capital expenditures reasonably necessary for the preservation of the Property or the Business including, without limitation, payments on account of insurance, maintenance, and security services; and
 - (b) payment for goods or services actually supplied to the Applicants following the date of this Order.
- 7. The Applicants shall remit, in accordance with legal requirements, or pay:
 - (a) any statutory deemed trust amounts in favour of the Crown in Right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any other taxation authority which are required to be deducted from employees' wages, including, without limitation, amounts in respect of:
 - (i) employment insurance,
 - (ii) Canada Pension Plan, and
 - (iii) income taxes,but only where such statutory deemed trust amounts arise after the date of this Order, or are not required to be remitted until after the date of this Order, unless otherwise ordered by the Court;
 - (b) all goods and services or other applicable sales taxes (collectively, "**Sales Taxes**") required to be remitted by the Applicants in connection with the sale of goods and services by the Applicants, but only where such Sales Taxes are accrued or collected after the date of this Order, or where such Sales Taxes were

accrued or collected prior to the date of this Order but not required to be remitted until on or after the date of this Order; and

- (c) any amount payable to the Crown in Right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any political subdivision thereof or any other taxation authority in respect of municipal realty, municipal business or other taxes, assessments or levies of any nature or kind which are entitled at law to be paid in priority to claims of secured creditors and which are attributable to or in respect of the carrying on of the Business by the Applicants.
8. Subject to paragraph 8, and the Forbearance Agreement, the Applicants shall be entitled to remit or pay, in accordance with legal requirements, any provincial and territorial tobacco tax obligations under the *Tobacco Tax Act*, RSA 2000, c T-4 or under any other applicable provincial legislation or laws (the “**Tobacco Taxes**”) in the normal course, whether such Tobacco Taxes arose or were required to be remitted before or after the date of this Order. Without limiting the foregoing, and subject to the consent of the Monitor, the Applicants shall be authorized to pay, any amounts owing by the Applicants under the Tobacco Tax Payment Plans (as described and defined in Bernie Affidavit No. 1) to pay down any arrears outstanding for unremitted Tobacco Taxes.
 9. Any provincial or territorial authorities entitled to receive payments or collect monies from the Applicants in respect of Tobacco Taxes or Tobacco Tax Payment Plans are hereby stayed during the Stay Period from requiring that any amounts be paid or any security be posted by or on behalf of the Applicants (including from the Applicants’ directors and officers) in connection with the Tobacco Taxes or from exercising any remedies, including license or permit suspensions, as a result of any non-payment of obligations outstanding as of the date of this Order.
 10. Until such time as a real property lease is disclaimed or resiliated in accordance with the CCAA, the Applicants may pay all amounts constituting rent or payable as rent under real property leases (including, for greater certainty, common area maintenance charges, utilities and realty taxes and any other amounts payable as rent to the landlord under the lease) based on the terms of existing lease arrangements or as otherwise may be negotiated by the Applicants from time to time for the period commencing from and including the date of this Order (“**Rent**”), but shall not pay any rent in arrears.

11. Except as specifically permitted in this Order, the Applicants are hereby directed, until further order of this Court:
- (a) to make no payments of principal, interest thereon or otherwise on account of amounts owing by the Applicants to any of its creditors (including pursuant to guarantee or other contingent arrangements) as of the date of this Order, other than payments of principal, interest or amounts otherwise owing by the Applicants pursuant to the CIBC Credit Agreement, the Forbearance Agreement or the other Loan Documents (as defined in the CIBC Credit Agreement) (including, for greater certainty, payments of amounts owing in connection with the BCAP Loan, as defined in the CIBC Credit Agreement);
 - (b) to grant no security interests, trust, liens, charges, or encumbrances upon or in respect of any of their Property; and
 - (c) not to grant credit or incur liabilities except in the ordinary course of the Business.

RESTRUCTURING

12. The Applicants shall, subject to such requirements as are imposed by the CCAA, and subject to the terms of the Forbearance Agreement, have the right to:
- (a) permanently or temporarily cease, downsize or shut down any portion of their business or operations and to dispose of redundant or non-material assets not exceeding \$500,000 in any one transaction or \$2,000,000 in the aggregate, provided that any sale that is either (i) in excess of the above thresholds, or (ii) in favour of a person related to the Applicants (within the meaning of section 36(5) of the CCAA), shall require authorization by this Court in accordance with section 36 of the CCAA;
 - (b) terminate the employment of such of their employees or temporarily lay off such of their employees as they deem appropriate on such terms as may be agreed upon between the Applicants and such employee, or failing such agreement, to deal with the consequences thereof in the Plan;
 - (c) disclaim or resiliate, in whole or in part, with the prior consent of the Monitor or further Order of the Court, their arrangements or agreements of any nature

whatsoever with whomsoever, whether oral or written, as the Applicants deem appropriate, in accordance with section 32 of the CCAA; and

- (d) pursue all avenues of refinancing of its Business or Property, in whole or part, subject to prior approval of this Court being obtained before any material refinancing,

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

13. The Applicants shall provide each of the relevant landlords with notice of the Applicants’ intention to remove any fixtures from any leased premises at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the intended removal. The relevant landlord shall be entitled to have a representative present in the leased premises to observe such removal. If the landlord disputes the Applicants’ entitlement to remove any such fixture under the provisions of the lease, such fixture shall remain on the premises and shall be dealt with as agreed between any applicable secured creditors, such landlord and the Applicants, or by further order of this Court upon application by the Applicants on at least two (2) days’ notice to such landlord and any such secured creditors. If the Applicants disclaim or resiliate the lease governing such leased premises in accordance with section 32 of the CCAA, they shall not be required to pay Rent under such lease pending resolution of any such dispute other than Rent payable for the notice period provided for in section 32(5) of the CCAA, and the disclaimer or resiliation of the lease shall be without prejudice to the Applicants’ claim to the fixtures in dispute.
14. If a notice of disclaimer or resiliation is delivered pursuant to section 32 of the CCAA, then:
 - (a) during the notice period prior to the effective time of the disclaimer or resiliation, the landlord may show the affected leased premises to prospective tenants during normal business hours, on giving the Applicants and the Monitor 24 hours’ prior written notice; and
 - (b) at the effective time of the disclaimer or resiliation, the relevant landlord shall be entitled to take possession of any such leased premises without waiver of or prejudice to any claims or rights such landlord may have against the Applicants

in respect of such lease or leased premises and such landlord shall be entitled to notify the Applicants of the basis on which it is taking possession and to gain possession of and re-lease such leased premises to any third party or parties on such terms as such landlord considers advisable, provided that nothing herein shall relieve such landlord of its obligation to mitigate any damages claimed in connection therewith.

NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE APPLICANTS OR THE PROPERTY

15. Until and including September 20, 2023, or such later date as this Court may order (the **"Stay Period"**), no proceeding or enforcement process in any court (each, a **"Proceeding"**) shall be commenced or continued against or in respect of the Applicants or the Monitor, or affecting the Business or the Property, except with leave of this Court, and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of the Applicants or affecting the Business or the Property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further order of this Court.

NO EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR REMEDIES

16. During the Stay Period, all rights and remedies of any individual, firm, corporation, governmental body or agency, or any other entities (all of the foregoing, collectively being **"Persons"** and each being a **"Person"**), whether judicial or extra-judicial, statutory or non-statutory against or in respect of the Applicants or the Monitor, or affecting the Business or the Property, are hereby stayed and suspended and shall not be commenced, proceeded with or continued except with leave of this Court, provided that nothing in this Order shall:
- (a) empower the Applicants to carry on any business which the Applicants are not lawfully entitled to carry on;
 - (b) affect such investigations, actions, suits or proceedings by a regulatory body as are permitted by section 11.1 of the CCAA;
 - (c) prevent the filing of any registration to preserve or perfect a security interest;
 - (d) prevent the registration of a claim for lien; or

- (e) exempt the Applicants from compliance with statutory or regulatory provisions relating to health, safety, or the environment.
17. Nothing in this Order shall prevent any party from taking an action against the Applicants where such an action must be taken in order to comply with statutory time limitations in order to preserve their rights at law, provided that no further steps shall be taken by such party except in accordance with the other provisions of this Order, and notice in writing of such action be given to the Monitor at the first available opportunity.

NO INTERFERENCE WITH RIGHTS

18. During the Stay Period, no person shall accelerate, suspend, discontinue, fail to honour, alter, interfere with, repudiate, terminate or cease to perform any right, renewal right, contract, agreement, licence or permit in favour of or held by the Applicants, except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or leave of this Court.

CONTINUATION OF SERVICES

19. During the Stay Period, all persons having:
- (a) statutory or regulatory mandates for the supply of goods and/or services; or
 - (b) oral or written agreements or arrangements with the Applicants, including without limitation all supply arrangements pursuant to purchase orders and historical supply practices, computer software, communication and other data services, centralized banking services, payroll services, insurance, transportation, services, utility or other services to the Business or the Applicants,

are hereby restrained until further Order of this Court from discontinuing, altering, interfering with, suspending or terminating the supply of such goods or services as may be required by the Applicants or exercising any other remedy provided under such agreements or arrangements. The Applicants shall be entitled to the continued use of their current premises, telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, internet addresses and domain names, provided in each case that the usual prices or charges for all such goods or services received after the date of this Order are paid by the Applicants in accordance with the payment practices of the Applicants, or such other practices as may be agreed upon by the supplier or service provider and each of the Applicants and the Monitor, or as may be ordered by this Court.

NON-DEROGATION OF RIGHTS

20. Nothing in this Order has the effect of prohibiting a person from requiring immediate payment for goods, services, use of leased or licensed property or other valuable consideration provided on or after the date of this Order, nor shall any person be under any obligation on or after the date of this Order to advance or re-advance any monies or otherwise extend any credit to the Applicants.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

21. During the Stay Period, and except as permitted by subsection 11.03(2) of the CCAA and paragraph 17 of this Order, no Proceeding may be commenced or continued against any of the former, current or future directors or officers of the Applicants with respect to any claim against the directors or officers that arose before the date hereof and that relates to any obligations of the Applicants whereby the directors or officers are alleged under any law to be liable in their capacity as directors or officers for the payment or performance of such obligations, until a compromise or arrangement in respect of the Applicants, if one is filed, is sanctioned by this Court or is refused by the creditors of the Applicants or this Court.

DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' INDEMNIFICATION AND CHARGE

22. The Applicants shall indemnify their directors and officers against obligations and liabilities that they may incur as directors and or officers of the Applicants after the commencement of the within proceedings except to the extent that, with respect to any officer or director, the obligation was incurred as a result of the director's or officer's gross negligence or wilful misconduct.
23. The directors and officers of the Applicants shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "**D&O Charge**") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of \$4,000,000, as security for the indemnity provided in paragraph 22 of this Order. The D&O Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 43 and 45 herein.
24. Notwithstanding any language in any applicable insurance policy to the contrary:
- (a) no insurer shall be entitled to be subrogated to or claim the benefit of the D&O Charge; and

- (b) the Applicants' directors and officers shall only be entitled to the benefit of the D&O Charge to the extent that they do not have coverage under any directors' and officers' insurance policy, or to the extent that such coverage is insufficient to pay amounts indemnified in accordance with paragraph 22 of this Order.

APPOINTMENT OF MONITOR

- 25. KSV Restructuring Inc. is hereby appointed pursuant to the CCAA as the Monitor, an officer of this Court, to monitor the Property, Business, and financial affairs of the Applicants with the powers and obligations set out in the CCAA or set forth herein and that the Applicants and their shareholders, officers, directors, and Assistants shall advise the Monitor of all material steps taken by the Applicants pursuant to this Order, and shall co-operate fully with the Monitor in the exercise of its powers and discharge of its obligations and provide the Monitor with the assistance that is necessary to enable the Monitor to adequately carry out the Monitor's functions.
- 26. The Monitor, in addition to its prescribed rights and obligations under the CCAA, is hereby directed and empowered to:
 - (a) monitor the Applicants' receipts and disbursements, Business and dealings with the Property;
 - (b) report to this Court at such times and intervals as the Monitor may deem appropriate with respect to matters relating to the Property, the Business, and such other matters as may be relevant to the proceedings herein and immediately report to the Court if in the opinion of the Monitor there is a material adverse change in the financial circumstances of the Applicants or any of them;
 - (c) assist the Applicants, to the extent required by the Applicants, in its dissemination to the Lender and its counsel in accordance with the Forbearance Agreement (as defined below) of financial and other information as agreed to between the Applicants and the Lender which may be used in these proceedings, including reporting on a basis as reasonably required by the Lender;
 - (d) advise the Applicants in their preparation of the Applicants' cash flow statements and reporting required by the Lender, which information shall be reviewed with

the Monitor and delivered to the Lender and its counsel in accordance with the Forbearance Agreement, or as otherwise agreed to by the Lender;

- (e) advise the Applicants in its development of the Plan and any amendments to the Plan;
 - (f) assist the Applicants, to the extent required by the Applicants, with the holding and administering of creditors' or shareholders' meetings for voting on the Plan;
 - (g) have full and complete access to the Property, including the premises, books, records, data, including data in electronic form and other financial documents and management, employees and advisors of the Applicants and to the extent that it is necessary to adequately assess the Property, Business and financial affairs of the Applicants or to perform its duties arising under this Order;
 - (h) be at liberty to engage independent legal counsel or such other persons as the Monitor deems necessary or advisable respecting the exercise of its powers and performance of its obligations under this Order;
 - (i) hold funds in trust or in escrow, to the extent required, to facilitate settlements between the Applicants and any other Person; and
 - (j) perform such other duties as are required by this Order or by this Court from time to time.
27. The Monitor shall not take possession of the Property and shall take no part whatsoever in the management or supervision of the management of the Business and shall not, by fulfilling its obligations hereunder, or by inadvertence in relation to the due exercise of powers or performance of duties under this Order, be deemed to have taken or maintain possession or control of the Business or Property, or any part thereof.
28. Nothing in this Order shall require the Monitor to occupy or to take control, care, charge, possession or management of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release or deposit of a substance contrary to any federal, provincial or other law respecting the protection, conservation, enhancement, remediation or rehabilitation of the environment or relating to the disposal or waste or other contamination, provided however that this Order does

not exempt the Monitor from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable environmental legislation or regulation. The Monitor shall not, as a result of this Order or anything done in the pursuance of the Monitor's duties and powers under this Order be deemed to be in possession of any of the Property within the meaning of any federal or provincial environmental legislation.

29. The Monitor shall provide any creditor of the Applicants and Lender with information provided by the Applicants in response to reasonable requests for information made in writing by such creditor addressed to the Monitor. The Monitor shall not have any responsibility or liability with respect to the information disseminated by it pursuant to this paragraph. In the case of information that the Monitor has been advised by the Applicants is confidential, the Monitor shall not provide such information to creditors unless otherwise directed by this Court or on such terms as the Monitor and the Applicants may agree.
30. In addition to the rights and protections afforded the Monitor under the CCAA or as an officer of this Court, the Monitor shall incur no liability or obligation as a result of its appointment or the carrying out of the provisions of this Order, save and except for any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the protections afforded the Monitor by the CCAA or any applicable legislation.
31. The Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, and counsel to the Applicants shall be paid their reasonable fees and disbursements, in each case at their standard rates and charges, whether incurred prior to, on, or subsequent to, the date of this Order by the Applicants as part of the costs of these proceedings. The Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to pay the accounts of the Monitor, counsel for the Monitor, and counsel for the Applicants on a monthly basis.
32. The Monitor and its legal counsel shall pass their accounts from time to time.

ADMINISTRATION CHARGE

33. The Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, and counsel to the Applicants shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "**Administration Charge**") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of \$750,000, as security for their professional fees and disbursements incurred at their standard rates and

charges of the Monitor and such counsel, both before and after the making of this Order in respect of these proceedings.

34. The Administration Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 43 and 45 hereof.

CASH MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND LENDER PRIORITY CHARGE

35. The Applicants' execution and performance under the forbearance agreement dated as of June 22, 2023 between the Applicants and Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce ("**CIBC**" or the "**Lender**") (among others), as may be amended from time to time (the "**Forbearance Agreement**") is hereby approved.
36. The Applicants shall be entitled to continue to utilize the credit facilities (the "**Cash Management System**") granted by CIBC under the CIBC Credit Agreement, as defined and described in Birnie Affidavit No. 1 (the "**CIBC Credit Agreement**"). For greater certainty, (i) the Applicants are authorized to borrow, repay and re-borrow such amounts from time to time as the Applicants may consider necessary or desirable under the CIBC Credit Agreement, subject to the terms and conditions of the Forbearance Agreement and the CIBC Credit Agreement; and (ii) the Lender is authorized to apply receipts and deposits made to the Applicants' bank accounts, whether directly or through blocked accounts, against the indebtedness owing to CIBC in accordance with the Forbearance Agreement, whether such indebtedness arose before or after the date of this Order.
37. The Cash Management System will be governed by the terms of the CIBC Credit Agreement and the Forbearance Agreement and such other documentation applicable to the Cash Management System, including any blocked account agreements. The Lender shall be an unaffected creditor in these proceedings and unaffected by any Plan filed by any of the Applicants or any proposal filed by any of the Applicants under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* (Canada) with respect to any obligations outstanding as of the date hereof or arising hereafter (including in connection with the BCAP Loan, as defined in the CIBC Credit Agreement), and the rights and remedies of the Lender shall be unaffected by paragraphs 15, 16, 18 and 19 of this Order or any other stay of proceedings that may be granted in these proceedings.
38. The Lender shall be entitled to the benefit of and is hereby granted a charge (the "**Lender Priority Charge**") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an

aggregate principal amount of \$55,000,000 plus interest, fees and expenses, as security for any advances made under the CIBC Credit Agreement from and after the commencement of these CCAA proceedings.

39. The Lender Priority Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 43 and 45 hereof.
40. The payments made by the Applicants pursuant to this Order, the CIBC Credit Agreement and the Forbearance Agreement, and the granting of the Lender Priority Charge shall not constitute or be deemed to be a preference, fraudulent conveyance or transfer at undervalue or other challengeable or reviewable transaction under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* (Canada) (the “**BIA**”) or any applicable law, nor shall they constitute oppressive or unfairly prejudicial conduct under any applicable law. The rights of the Lender under this Order, including without limitation the Lender Priority Charge, shall be enforceable in any bankruptcy, interim receivership, or receivership or in any proceedings under the CCAA of the Applicants or Property.
41. Upon the Termination Date (as defined in the Forbearance Agreement) the Lender may:
 - (a) immediately cease making advances to the Applicants;
 - (b) set off and/or consolidate any amounts owing by the Lender to the Applicants against any obligations of the Applicants to the Lender under the CIBC Credit Agreement or the Forbearance Agreement or any other Loan Documents (as defined in the CIBC Credit Agreement) and make demand, accelerate payment or give other notices; and
 - (c) exercise any and all of its rights and remedies against the Applicants or the Property under or pursuant to the CIBC Credit Agreement, the Forbearance Agreement or the other Loan Documents.

TOBACCO TAX CHARGE

42. The provincial and territorial authorities that are entitled to receive payments or collect monies from the Applicants in respect of the Tobacco Taxes shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the “**Tobacco Tax Charge**”) on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of \$26,000,000, as

security for all amounts owing by the Applicants in respect of the Tobacco Taxes. The Tobacco Tax Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 43 and 45.

VALIDITY AND PRIORITY OF CHARGES

43. The priorities of the Administration Charge, Lender Priority Charge, and the D&O Charge, as among them, shall be as follows:
- (a) First – Administration Charge (to the maximum amount of \$750,000);
 - (b) Second – Lender Priority Charge (to the maximum amount of 55,000,000 plus interest, fees, and expenses);
 - (c) Third – D&O Charge (to the maximum amount of \$4,000,000);
 - (d) Fourth – the Encumbrances existing as of the date hereof in favour of the Lender securing the pre-filing obligations owing under the CIBC Credit Agreement including, for greater certainty, obligations in connection with the BCAP Loan; and
 - (e) Tobacco Tax Charge (to the maximum amount of \$26,000,000).
44. The filing, registration or perfection of the Administration Charge, the Lender Priority Charge, and the D&O Charge (collectively, the “**Charges**”) shall not be required, and the Charges shall be valid and enforceable for all purposes, including as against any right, title or interest filed, registered, recorded or perfected subsequent to the Charges coming into existence, notwithstanding any such failure to file, register, record or perfect.
45. Each of the Charges shall constitute a charge on the Property and subject always to section 34(11) of the CCAA, except for the security registrations in relation to equipment leased from equipment lessors, the Charges shall rank in priority to all other security interests, trusts, liens, charges and encumbrances, and claims of secured creditors, statutory or otherwise (collectively, “**Encumbrances**”) in favour of any Person, provided the Tobacco Tax Charge shall rank behind the Encumbrances securing the pre-filing obligations owing under the CIBC Credit Agreement.
46. Except as otherwise expressly provided for herein, or as may be approved by this Court, the Applicants shall not grant any Encumbrances over any Property that rank in priority

to, or *pari passu* with, any of the Charges, unless the Applicants also obtain the prior written consent of the Monitor, CIBC, and the beneficiaries of the Charges, or further order of this Court.

47. The Charges shall not be rendered invalid or unenforceable and the rights and remedies of the chargees entitled to the benefit of the Charges (collectively, the “**Chargees**”) and/or the Lender thereunder shall not otherwise be limited or impaired in any way by:
- (a) the pendency of these proceedings and the declarations of insolvency made in this Order;
 - (b) any application(s) for bankruptcy order(s) issued pursuant to BIA, or any bankruptcy order made pursuant to such applications;
 - (c) the filing of any assignments for the general benefit of creditors made pursuant to the BIA;
 - (d) the provisions of any federal or provincial statutes; or
 - (e) any negative covenants, prohibitions or other similar provisions with respect to borrowings, incurring debt or the creation of Encumbrances, contained in any existing loan documents, lease, sublease, offer to lease or other agreement (collectively, an “**Agreement**”) that binds the Applicants, and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any Agreement:
 - (i) neither the creation of the Charges nor the execution, delivery, perfection, registration or performance of any documents in respect thereof shall create or be deemed to constitute a new breach by the Applicants of any Agreement to which it is a party;
 - (ii) none of the Chargees shall have any liability to any Person whatsoever as a result of any breach of any Agreement caused by or resulting from the creation of the Charges, or the execution, delivery or performance of the definitive documents associated with the Agreements; and
 - (iii) the payments made by the Applicants pursuant to this Order, and the granting of the Charges, do not and will not constitute preferences,

fraudulent conveyances, transfers at undervalue, oppressive conduct or other challengeable or voidable transactions under any applicable law.

ALLOCATION

48. Any interested Person may apply to this Court on notice to any other party likely to be affected for an order to allocate the Administration Charge, the Lender's Priority Charge, the D&O Charge, and the Tobacco Tax Charge amongst the various assets comprising the Property.

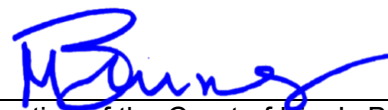
SERVICE AND NOTICE

49. The Monitor shall (i) without delay, publish in the Calgary Herald and the Globe and Mail a notice containing the information prescribed under the CCAA; (ii) within five (5) days after the date of this Order (A) make this Order publicly available in the manner prescribed under the CCAA, (B) send, in the prescribed manner, a notice to every known creditor who has a claim against either of the Applicants of more than \$1,000 and (C) prepare a list showing the names and addresses of those creditors and the estimated amounts of those claims, and make it publicly available in the prescribed manner, all in accordance with section 23(1)(a) of the CCAA and the regulations made thereunder.
50. The Monitor shall establish a case website in respect of the within proceedings at <https://www.ksvadvisory.com/experience/case/wallace-and-carey>.

GENERAL

51. The Applicants or the Monitor may from time to time apply to this Court for advice and directions in the discharge of its powers and duties hereunder.
52. Notwithstanding Rule 6.11 of the Alberta Rules of Court, unless otherwise ordered by this Court, the Monitor will report to the Court from time to time, which reporting is not required to be in affidavit form and shall be considered by this Court as evidence. The Monitor's reports shall be filed by the Court Clerk notwithstanding that they do not include an original signature.
53. Nothing in this Order shall prevent the Monitor from acting as an interim receiver, a receiver, a receiver and manager, or a trustee in bankruptcy of the Applicants, the Business, or the Property.

54. This Court hereby requests the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in the United States, to give effect to this Order and to assist the Applicants, the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the Applicants and to the Monitor, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status to the Monitor in any foreign proceeding, or to assist the Applicants and the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.
55. The Applicants and the Monitor are at liberty and are hereby authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for the recognition of this Order and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order and that the Monitor is authorized and empowered to act as a representative in respect of the within proceeding for the purpose of having these proceedings recognized in a jurisdiction outside Canada.
56. Any interested party (including the Applicants and the Monitor) may apply to this Court to vary or amend this Order on not less than seven (7) days' notice to any other party or parties likely to be affected by the order sought or upon such other notice, if any, as this Court may order.
57. This Order and all of its provisions are effective as of 12:01 a.m. Mountain Standard Time on the date of this Order.



Justice of the Court of King's Bench of Alberta

APPENDIX B

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1.0 Introduction

1. Pursuant to an order (the “**Initial Order**”) issued by the Court of King’s Bench of Alberta (the “**Court**”) on June 22, 2023 (the “**Filing Date**”), Wallace & Carey Inc. (“**Wallace & Carey**”), Loudon Bros Limited (“**Loudon Bros**”, and together with Wallace & Carey, the “**Logistics Companies**”) and Carey Management Inc. (“**CMI**”, and together with the Logistics Companies, the “**Applicants**”) were granted protection under the *Companies’ Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the “**CCAA**”), and KSV Restructuring Inc. (“**KSV**”) was appointed monitor of the Applicants (the “**Monitor**”).
2. KSV is filing this report (the “**Report**”) as Monitor of the Applicants and as proposed receiver and manager of the property, assets and undertaking of:
 - a) 772921 Alberta Inc. (“**772**”), which:
 - i. owns two warehouses¹, one in British Columbia (the “**772 Owned BC Property**”) and one in Alberta (the “**772 Owned Alberta Property**”) that are used by Wallace & Carey in its business (jointly, the 772 Owned BC Property and the 772 Owned Alberta Property, the “**772 Owned Real Property**”); and
 - ii. leases two warehouses², one in British Columbia and one in Alberta, that are also used by Wallace & Carey in its business (the “**772 Leased Real Property**”); and
 - b) Ridge Meadows Properties Inc. (“**Ridge Meadows**”) ³ and Spruce It Up Land Corp (“**SIU**”) ^{4,5} each of which is subject to security interests in favour of Canadian Western Bank (“**CWB**”) and Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (“**CIBC**” or the “**Lender**”). (Collectively, the 772 Owned Real Property, the 772 Leased Real Property and the properties owned by 772, Ridge Meadows and SIU are referred to as the “**Non-Applicant Real Property**”.)

¹ The municipal addresses of these properties are 1230 Industrial Road, Kelowna, British Columbia and 5415 and 5445 8th Street N.E., Calgary Alberta.

² Having municipal addresses of 8th Street N.E., Calgary, Alberta, and Unit 5B, 4386 Boban Drive Nanaimo, British Columbia.

³ Having a municipal address of 255256 Range Road 25, NW Calgary, Alberta.

⁴ Having a municipal address of 159 210 Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta.

⁵ The shares of Ridge Meadows and SIU are subject to the CCAA Charges (as defined in Section 2.1 below). CMI is believed to own 100% of Ridge Meadows and 84.57% of SIU.

1.1 Purposes of this Report

1. The purposes of this Report are to:

- a) provide background information concerning the Applicants and these proceedings;
- b) discuss the Sale and Investment Solicitation Process (“**SISP**”) carried out by Alvarez & Marsal Canada Securities ULC (“**A&M**”), as the Applicants’ financial advisor (the “**Financial Advisor**”), under the supervision of the Monitor;
- c) discuss a transaction (the “**Transaction**”) between the Applicants and 7-Eleven Canada, Inc. (“**7-Eleven**” or the “**Purchaser**”) that is intended to maximize recoveries to stakeholders, which includes;
 - i. pursuant to an agreement of purchase and sale dated November 7, 2023 (the “**W&C APA**”):
 - the purchase of certain of the Applicants’ personal property, information technology and intellectual property assets used in the Wallace & Carey business in British Columbia and Alberta (the “**Western Business**”);
 - the purchase of 7-Eleven designated inventory; and
 - the payment of accounts receivable owing by 7-Eleven to Wallace & Carey;
 - ii. the entering into of a Transition Services Agreement (“**TSA**”) upon closing of the Transaction among Wallace & Carey, CMI, the Purchaser and the Monitor that contemplates:
 - the businesses of the Logistics Companies continuing to operate following closing of the Transaction for the benefit of the Purchaser while the Applicants remain under CCAA protection;
 - the Purchaser funding substantially all of the Applicants’ operational and professional costs from and after the closing of the Transaction, including the fees and costs of the Monitor and its counsel, Cassels, Brock & Blackwell LLP (“**Cassels**”);

- an option granted to the Purchaser to acquire certain additional assets (the “**Optional Purchased Assets**”) used by the Logistics Companies that are not being acquired by 7-Eleven on closing of the Transaction, including certain assets located in provinces east of Alberta (the “**Eastern Business**”); and
 - the retention of most of the employees of Wallace & Carey⁶ during, at least, the term of the TSA, and potentially thereafter, as further detailed below;
- iii. releases (the “**Releases**”) granted in favour of certain persons, including the Applicants’ director and officers, as contemplated by the form of Approval and Vesting Order (the “**CCAA AVO**”);
 - iv. the appointment of KSV as receiver and manager of the property, assets and undertaking of 772, Ridge Meadows and SIU (if so appointed, the “**Receiver**”), pursuant to a receivership application brought by CIBC as secured creditor of each of 772, SIU and Ridge Meadows;
 - v. a sale by the Receiver to the Purchaser immediately following its appointment of the real property owned by 772, as set out in an agreement of purchase and sale between the Purchaser and the Receiver (the “**Receivership APS**”);
 - vi. an assignment pursuant to the Receivership APS by the Receiver to the Purchaser of the leases for 772 Leased Real Property; and
 - vii. a marketing process for the Non-Applicant Real Properties owned by Ridge Meadows and SIU;
- d) recommend that the sale proceeds from the Transaction, as well as the proceeds from the Optional Purchased Assets, certain assets excluded from the transaction (the “**Excluded Assets**”) and the Non-Applicant Real Property (collectively, the “**Net Distributable Proceeds**”) be paid to stakeholders (including CIBC and CWB) in accordance with the priorities established by the ARIO and the Ancillary Order (each as defined below), and applicable law;

⁶ As of the date of this Report, all Loudon Bros. employees have been terminated.

- e) discuss the next steps in these proceedings; and
- f) provide the reasons in support of the Monitor's recommendation that the Court issue:
 - i. the CCAA AVO, among other things, approving the W&C APA, the TSA, the Releases and a distribution of the Net Distributable Proceeds of the assets subject to the CCAA Proceeding, as discussed herein;
 - ii. an order (the "**Receivership Order**") sought by CIBC appointing KSV as the Receiver and authorizing the Receiver to market the Non-Applicant Real Properties owned by Ridge Meadows and SIU through the retention of a real estate broker identified by the Receiver;
 - iii. an order (the "**Receivership AVO**") approving:
 - the Receivership APS, including the sale of the 772 Owned Real Property to the Purchaser, and the assignment of the 772 Leased Real Property to the Purchaser, in each case free and clear of encumbrances other than permitted encumbrances; and
 - authorizing a distribution of the Net Distributable Proceeds of the assets subject to the Receivership Proceeding, as discussed herein; and
 - iv. sealing **Confidential Appendix "1"** for the reasons provided in Section 7 of this Report until the earlier of the termination of these proceedings or Order of this Court.

1.2 Scope and Terms of Reference

1. In preparing this Report, the Monitor has relied upon the Applicants' unaudited financial information, books and records and discussions with the Applicants' management and legal counsel.
2. The Monitor has not audited or otherwise attempted to verify the accuracy or completeness of the financial information relied on to prepare this Report in a manner that complies with Canadian Auditing Standards ("**CAS**") pursuant to the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada Handbook and, accordingly, the Monitor expresses no opinion or other form of assurance contemplated under the CAS in respect of such information. Any party wishing to place reliance on the financial information should perform its own diligence.

3. An examination of any forward-looking financial information discussed herein has not been performed in accordance with the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada Handbook. Forward-looking financial forecasts and information are based upon various assumptions. Actual results achieved may vary materially from the forecasted results. The Monitor expresses no opinion or other form of assurance on whether the Applicants' businesses will perform in accordance with their financial forecasts and projections.

1.3 Currency

1. All references to currency in this Report are to Canadian dollars.

2.0 Applicants' Background

1. CMI is an Alberta corporation and the sole shareholder of Wallace & Carey, which is the sole shareholder of Loudon Bros. In addition to the Logistics Companies, CMI has ownership interests in nine subsidiaries, none of which are subject to the CCAA proceedings. These include 100% of the equity of 772 and Ridge Meadows, and 84.57% of the equity of SIU. CMI's corporate organizational chart is provided in **Appendix "A"**.
2. Wallace & Carey is an Alberta corporation that is extra-provincially registered to conduct business in most provinces and territories in Canada. Wallace & Carey operates from nine leased warehouses.
3. Loudon Bros, located in Thunder Bay, Ontario, is an Ontario corporation that is wholly owned by Wallace & Carey which until recently operated as its Northwestern Ontario branch. As part of their efforts to downsize their business during these proceedings, the Applicants decided to discontinue the Loudon Bros business. On November 3, 2023, the Court approved a sale of Loudon Bros' real property for gross proceeds of approximately \$1.4 million. The sale is scheduled to close on or before November 17, 2023, which will be the final significant step in the wind-down of the Loudon Bros business.
4. Wallace & Carey is continuing to carry on active business operations. 7-Eleven is by far the most significant customer of Wallace & Carey. It presently represents substantially all of Wallace & Carey's revenue.
5. As of the Filing Date, the Logistics Companies employed approximately 600 full-time and 50 part-time employees. Wallace & Carey presently has approximately 450 full-time employees. CMI has three employees, being Patrick Carey, the Chair, Daniel Elrod, the Chief Executive Officer, and an administrative employee.

6. CIBC provides CMI with a revolving asset-based loan (the "**CIBC Revolving Loan**") and term loan facility, which is guaranteed by the Logistics Companies and various other entities within the Carey corporate group, including 772, SIU and Ridge Meadows (the "**CIBC Facility**"). Pursuant to the terms of a Forbearance Agreement between the Applicants and CIBC dated June 22, 2023 (the "**Forbearance Agreement**"), all amounts owing to CIBC as of the Filing Date under the revolving portion of the CIBC Facility (being approximately \$38.54 million) have been repaid through accounts receivables collections, and all amounts advanced by CIBC since that time are secured by the Lender Priority Charge (as defined below).
7. Pursuant to the Forbearance Agreement, CIBC was also to be provided a mortgage on the Non-Applicant Real Property, which mortgage was to rank behind CWB's mortgage on the same real property. The agreed mortgages were executed on July 20, 2023 and registered on the Non-Applicant Real Property on September 12, 2023.
8. At this time, the Forbearance Agreement has terminated as a result of the occurrence of certain Terminating Events described therein; however, CIBC has continued to fund the business of the Applicants subject to the borrowing limits of the CIBC Credit Agreement (as defined in the Initial Order) primarily for the purpose of completing the Transaction. The Monitor also understands that certain amendments to the CIBC Credit Agreement concerning, *inter alia*, enhanced reporting required by CIBC are in the process of being documented.

2.1 CCAA Proceedings

1. Pursuant to the terms of the Initial Order, *inter alia*, the Court:
 - a) granted a stay of proceedings in favour of the Applicants and their directors and officers to and including July 1, 2023;
 - b) approved the Applicants' use of the centralized cash management system provided by CIBC to the Applicants;
 - c) granted charges on the Applicants' current and future assets, property and undertakings in the following amounts and priority:
 - i. first, a charge in the amount of \$250,000 in favour of the Applicants' legal counsel (Miller Thomson LLP), the Monitor and its counsel, Cassels, to secure the fees and disbursements of those firms (the "**Administration Charge**");

- ii. second, a charge in the amount of \$55 million plus interest, fees and expenses for all post-filing advances (the “**Lender Priority Charge**”) made by CIBC under the existing CIBC Credit Agreement as amended pursuant to the terms of the Forbearance Agreement;
 - iii. third, a charge in the amount of \$3.33 million in favour of the directors and officers of the Applicants (the “**D&O Charge**”);
 - iv. fourth, the Encumbrances existing as of the date of the Initial Order in favour of the Lender securing the pre-filing obligations owing under the CIBC Credit Agreement including, for greater certainty, obligations in connection with the BCAP Loan (the “**CIBC Pre-Filing Security**”); and
 - v. fifth, a charge in the amount of \$18 million in favour of provincial and territorial authorities for amounts required to be remitted by the Logistics Companies under the *Tobacco Tax Act*, RSA 2000, c. T-4 or under any other applicable provincial legislation or laws (the “**Tobacco Tax Charge**”, and collectively with the Lender Priority Charge, the Administration Charge and the D&O Charge, the “**CCAA Charges**”); and
- d) permitted the Logistics Companies to pay certain pre-filing tobacco tax obligations pursuant to the Tobacco Tax Payment Plans (as defined in the Initial Order), subject to the terms of the Forbearance Agreement and first obtaining the Monitor’s consent.
2. On June 30, 2023, the Applicants’ comeback application was heard and the Court granted:
- a) an amended and restated Initial Order (the “**ARIO**”) (provided in **Appendix “B”**) which, among other things:
 - i. extended the stay of proceedings to and including September 20, 2023;
 - ii. increased the maximum amount of the CCAA Charges, as follows:
 - Administration Charge to \$750,000;
 - D&O Charge to \$4 million; and
 - Tobacco Tax Charge to \$25 million; and

- b) an Order providing for the Applicants' continued access to certain fuel service cards, known as the Mobil Fleet Cards.
- 3. Pursuant to certain restructuring milestones in the Forbearance Agreement, the Applicants were required within 40 days of the Initial Order to deliver for acceptance by CIBC a pro forma business model and financial forecast for the restructured business of the Applicants following implementation of a proposed plan consistent with a plan term sheet (the "**Term Sheet Milestone**"). Pursuant to the terms of the first amendment to the Forbearance Agreement dated July 18, 2023, CIBC provided certain accommodations to the Applicants and the Applicants were required to, *inter alia*, retain a financial advisor for the purpose of the SISP. Subsequently, certain defaults arose under the Forbearance Agreement, as amended, including in respect of the Term Sheet Milestone, and on August 2, 2023, CIBC provided notice to the Applicants of the occurrence of certain Terminating Events (as defined in the Forbearance Agreement).
- 4. On August 9, 2023, the Monitor filed its second report to Court (the "**Second Report**") which, among other things:
 - a) was drafted in the context of Section 23(1)(d)(i) of the CCAA, which requires the Monitor to file a report with the Court advising on the state of a company's business and financial affairs upon ascertaining a material adverse change (a "**MAC**") in the company's projected cash flow or financial circumstances;
 - b) discussed financial and other challenges being faced by the Applicants and the efforts being taken at the time by the Applicants, the Monitor, CIBC and 7-Eleven to address those challenges;
 - c) provided a comparison of the Applicants' cash flow forecast for the period June 18 to September 30, 2023 against actual results; and
 - d) advised that the Monitor would file a further report with the Court advising on the status of the Applicants' efforts to address the issues resulting from the MAC.

5. On August 11, 2023, the Monitor filed a supplement to the Second Report (the “**Second Report Supplement**”). The Second Report Supplement provided stakeholders with a copy of the Second Forbearance Amendment between, among others, CIBC and the Applicants. The Second Forbearance Amendment, among other things, provided the Applicants with enhanced availability of approximately \$10 million of credit under their existing financing arrangements with CIBC based on additional credit support provided by 7-Eleven to CIBC pursuant to a cash collateral agreement (the “**Cash Collateral Agreement**”). The Applicants advised that they expected that the additional capital would address their challenges and would lead to improved customer fill rates, and therefore financial performance. Copies of the Second Report and the Second Report Supplement are provided in **Appendices “C” and “D”**, respectively, without appendices.
6. On August 21, 2023, the Monitor prepared and filed its Third Report to Court (the “**Third Report**”) which provided, among other things, the Monitor’s recommendations that the Court issue:
- a) an order (the “**SISP Approval Order**”) among other things, approving the SISP and authorizing the Applicants, in consultation and co-operation with A&M, under the oversight of the Monitor, to conduct the SISP; and
 - b) an order (the “**Ancillary Order**”), among other things:
 - i. extending the stay of proceedings to and including November 30, 2023;
 - ii. approving the engagement of A&M as the Financial Advisor, pursuant to an agreement dated August 13, 2023 between the Applicants and A&M, and associated changes to the ARIO, including:
 - increasing the amount of the Administration Charge from \$750,000 to \$850,000 to include a work fee payable to A&M in connection with the SISP and its role as the Financial Advisor; and
 - granting a charge on the Applicants’ current and future assets, property and undertakings in favour of A&M to secure a fee payable to A&M upon completion of a qualifying transaction (the “**Transaction Fee**”), which is only subordinate to the Administration Charge.

7. On September 18, 2023, CIBC delivered to the Applicants a notice that certain additional Terminating Events had occurred and that CIBC was reserving all rights in respect of such, but provided that CIBC would continue to advance funding to the Applicants, subject to the borrowing limits of the CIBC Credit Agreement, unless and until two days following the delivery by CIBC of notice to the Applicants and the Monitor of CIBC's intention to discontinue funding.
8. On September 19, 2023, the Monitor filed its Fourth Report to Court (the "**Fourth Report**") which advised of a further MAC, as reflected by the Applicants' cash flow projection finalized on September 13, 2023. The MAC arose because the Applicants were not projected to have sufficient liquidity under the CIBC Revolving Loan to fund all forecasted disbursements in the ordinary course, unless the Logistics Companies deferred the payment of certain pre-filing and post-filing tobacco taxes (the "**Accrued Tobacco Taxes**") or made significant reductions to their inventory purchases (which was anticipated to impair the viability of the Logistics Business).
9. On October 7, 2023, the Monitor filed its Supplemental Report to the Fourth Report (the "**Fourth Report Supplement**"), which provided:
 - a) a summary of the dialogue among the Applicants, the Monitor and representatives of certain Provinces concerning the Accrued Tobacco Taxes and the payment by the Applicants of such taxes going-forward;
 - b) a further revised cash flow projection;
 - c) an update in respect of certain additional financial support provided by 7-Eleven;
 - d) an update concerning a third amendment to the Forbearance Agreement (the "**Third Amendment**"), which was expected to be finalized in the week following the filing of the Fourth Report Supplement and in respect of which the Monitor advised it would file a further supplemental report once finalized (the "**Second Supplement to the Fourth Report**");
 - e) an update concerning the SISP; and
 - f) the Monitor's recommendation that these proceedings continue so that the Applicants could complete the SISP, which was being advanced on an expedited basis given the Applicants' ongoing liquidity challenges.

10. Copies of the Fourth Report and the Fourth Report Supplement are provided in **Appendices “E” and “F”**, respectively, without appendices.
11. As of the date of this Report, a Third Amendment has not been finalized; however, CIBC has continued to make its revolving loan facility available to the Applicants, subject to the borrowing limits of the CIBC Credit Agreement and the reliance on certain additional financial support provided by 7-Eleven, so that the Applicants could fund their normal course business operations and complete the SISP, including the Transaction.
12. On October 30, 2023, the Monitor served its Fifth Report to Court, which recommended a sale of the Loudon Bros real property located in Thunder Bay, Ontario. The Court approved that transaction on November 3, 2023 and the sale is expected to close by no later than November 17, 2023.
13. The Court materials filed in these proceedings, including this Report, are available on the Monitor’s case website at www.ksvadvisory.com/experience/case/wallace-and-carey.

3.0 SISP

3.1 Background

1. The Applicants were required to commence the SISP due to their ongoing liquidity challenges and the absence of an executable restructuring plan.
2. As a result of negotiations among the Applicants, 7-Eleven, CIBC and the Monitor, the Applicants, 7-Eleven, and CIBC entered into the Cash Collateral Agreement on August 10, 2023, which resulted in an increase in the Applicants’ availability under the CIBC Facility. Pursuant to the Cash Collateral Agreement, the parties thereto agreed to the following key terms, among others:
 - a) 7-Eleven would provide \$9 million (the “**Cash Collateral**”) to be held by CIBC;
 - b) upon receipt by CIBC of the Cash Collateral, CIBC would promptly (i) increase the borrowing base under the CIBC Facility by an amount equal to the Cash Collateral, and (ii) increase the borrowing base under the CIBC Facility by not less than \$2 million;

- c) 7-Eleven agreed to execute and deliver to and in favour of CIBC a Limited Recourse Guarantee, therein guaranteeing the obligations of Wallace & Carey under the CIBC Credit Agreement, as well as a Cash Collateral Agreement granting to CIBC a security interest in the Cash Collateral (collectively, the “**7-Eleven Security Documents**”);
 - d) the Applicants would schedule a Court hearing to approve the SISP;
 - e) as consideration for 7-Eleven providing the Cash Collateral, the Applicants agreed (i) to pay 7-Eleven a fully earned fee equal to \$1 million; and (ii) 7-Eleven would be granted the 7-Eleven SISP Rights, including the right to be a stalking horse purchaser in the SISP, as discussed further in paragraph 3.2.3 below; and
 - f) on a monthly basis, the Applicants agreed to pay 7-Eleven interest at the rate of 10% per annum, less any amounts received from CIBC on account of the Cash Collateral, until same has been returned to 7-Eleven in full.
3. On August 10, 2023, the Cash Collateral Agreement, 7-Eleven Security Documents and Second Forbearance Amendment were executed and 7-Eleven funded the Cash Collateral amount. Accordingly, the Applicants were provided approximately \$10 million of additional liquidity under the CIBC Facility (which amounts are secured under the Lender Priority Charge) for general working capital purposes, including to purchase inventory intended to improve customer fill rates and to provide the Applicants the opportunity to advance the SISP.
4. Pursuant to the Cash Collateral Agreement, CIBC is not permitted to seek repayment of the amounts owing to it by the Applicants from the Cash Collateral until it has realized upon all of the tangible property of Wallace & Carey, CMI and the CMI subsidiaries over which CIBC holds security.
5. The guarantee by 7-Eleven was amended on or about October 6, 2023 to, among other things, increase the guarantee given by 7-Eleven to CIBC of the Applicants’ indebtedness from \$9 million to \$11.5 million. The guarantee by 7-Eleven was further amended on or about November 3, 2023 to among other things, increase the guarantee given by 7-Eleven to CIBC of the Applicants’ indebtedness from \$11.5 million to \$15 million.

3.2 SISP Overview⁷

1. Pursuant to the SISP, interested parties were provided the opportunity to submit offers to:
 - a) acquire all, substantially all or a portion of the Property or the Business;
 - b) make an investment in, restructure, reorganize or refinance the Business;
 - c) carry out any combination of a Sale Proposal and an Investment Proposal; or
 - d) form a partnership with the Applicants, or any of them, by way of joint-venture or otherwise.
2. The following table provides the key milestones and dates under the SISP Approval Order.

SISP Launch Date	August 30, 2023
Phase 1 Bid Deadline	October 5, 2023
Phase 2 Bid Deadline	November 2, 2023
Hearing of the Transaction Approval Application	Subject to the availability of the Court
Target Closing Date	On or before December 4, 2023

3. The SISP was designed as a two-stage process, with letters of intent to be submitted by the Phase 1 Bid Deadline and binding agreements to be submitted at the Phase 2 Bid Deadline.
4. Notwithstanding that 7-Eleven was granted the right to submit a stalking horse bid pursuant to the SISP, 7-Eleven did not exercise that right.

3.3 SISP Summary

1. A&M conducted a comprehensive process to solicit interest in the SISP, by contacting 190 parties, including 12 lending institutions, 141 private equity firms and 37 strategic parties, of which:

⁷ Defined terms in this Section of the Report have the meaning provided to them in the SISP Approval Order, unless otherwise defined herein.

- a) 47 parties executed a non-disclosure agreement (the “**NDA**”) and were granted access to an electronic data room, including 32 private equity firms, ten strategic parties and five lenders; and
 - b) four parties submitted non-binding expressions of interest/letters of intent (each an “**EOI**”), including one strategic party, two private equity firms and one lender.
- 2. A&M has provided the Monitor with a report concerning its conduct of the SISP and its recommendation of the Transaction. A copy of A&M’s report is provided in **Appendix “G”**.
 - 3. As a result of the Applicants’ significant liquidity challenges, which continued notwithstanding the Cash Collateral Agreement, the Applicants, A&M and the Monitor, with the consent of CIBC, believed it was necessary to expedite the SISP timelines.
 - 4. Accordingly, A&M encouraged the parties most interested in the transaction opportunity to provide EOIs at the earliest possible opportunity, which EOIs were to include, among other things, an overview of the proposed transaction structure, an indication of value, any outstanding due diligence and an estimated timeline to complete a transaction. A&M engaged with each party participating in the SISP at that time to facilitate their due diligence, including organizing meetings between certain interested parties and representatives of 7-Eleven.
 - 5. As noted, four parties submitted EOIs on or before October 5, 2023. Given the critical importance of the 7-Eleven relationship to the Wallace & Carey business, each of the parties that submitted an EOI required that a new service agreement be executed with 7-Eleven, with the exception of the prospective lender, which required an equity investment.
 - 6. During September 2023, 7-Eleven expressed concerns to the Monitor about the Applicants’ eroding financial and operational performance, lack of liquidity, the ability of the interested parties performing due diligence in the SISP to meet their service needs, and the amount of time that would be required to negotiate a new service agreement with one or more of these parties. 7-Eleven, however, also advised that it was not prepared at that time to exercise its right to submit a stalking horse bid nor to make a definitive offer for the Applicants’ business as its due diligence was not yet complete.

7. Following the Fourth Report (i.e., the second MAC report), discussions among A&M, the Monitor and 7-Eleven advanced rapidly concerning a transaction based on the structure detailed in this Report. On September 27, 2023, 7-Eleven sent an email to the Monitor outlining the terms of a proposed transaction. Those terms were incorporated into a draft term sheet between the Applicants and 7-Eleven that formed the basis of the Transaction documents. As the term sheet was non-binding, the parties' focus shifted to the definitive documents rather than finalizing the term sheet.

4.0 The Transaction⁸

1. The following are the primary Transaction documents:

- a) the W&C APA;
- b) the TSA; and
- c) the Receivership APS.

Each document is summarized below.

2. The W&C APA sets out the terms pursuant to which:

- a) the Applicants will sell to the Purchaser certain personal property forming part of the Western Business;
- b) the Purchaser will pay for 7-Eleven designated inventory; and
- c) the Purchaser will pay for all validated accounts receivable it owes to Wallace & Carey.

3. The W&C APA attaches a form of the TSA which is to be executed by the parties at closing of the Transaction. The TSA sets out the terms on which (i) the Purchaser will be provided an option following closing to purchase certain remaining assets used in the operation of the Western Business and the Eastern Business, including a lease for a warehouse used by Wallace & Carey in Oakville, Ontario that is believed to have considerable value; and (ii)

⁸ Unless otherwise defined in this Report, defined terms have the meanings provided to them in the Transaction Documents.

Wallace & Carey will continue to operate for the benefit of the Purchaser under CCAA protection, including:

- a) the duration of the TSA, being 15 months and nine months for the Western Business and the Eastern Business, respectively, subject in each case to two 90-day extensions that are available to the Purchaser; and
 - b) the Purchaser shall fund from and after closing, substantially all of the Applicants' operational costs, including employee costs, real property and personal property leases and other contracts, as well as the fees and costs of the Monitor and its counsel, and certain fees of the Applicants' counsel.
4. The execution of the TSA by the parties thereto is a critical part of the Transaction. The purpose of the TSA is for Wallace & Carey and CMI to maintain in good standing for the benefit of the Purchaser certain real and personal property leases and other contracts until the Purchaser can determine its long-term intentions for those leases and contracts.
 5. Pursuant to the TSA, the majority of Wallace & Carey's employees as of the Closing Date will continue to be employed until (and if) they are hired by one or more service providers identified by the Purchaser, which may include 7-Eleven, or until their services are no longer required, at which time their employment will be terminated and all wages and vacation pay owing to them will be paid. Additionally, the Purchaser has agreed to encourage any new service provider or providers with which they contract to hire Wallace & Carey's employees.
 6. The Receivership APS sets out the terms pursuant to which KSV, if appointed as Receiver of 772, is to sell and transfer to the Purchaser, respectively, the 772 Owned Real Property and 772's interest in the 772 Leased Real Property. These properties were marketed as part of the SISP. Pursuant to the terms of the Receivership APS, the Purchaser shall purchase the 772 Owned Real Property for the purchase price of \$14.92 million. The purchase price for the 772 Owned Real Property was determined through (i) an arm's length process conducted by a commercial real estate agent for the 772 Owned BC Property, in which the Purchaser's offer was the highest offer; and (ii) an estimate of value based on an appraisal sourced by the Applicants that was updated by the Monitor to reflect the current market value for the 772 Owned Alberta Property.

7. Other notable provisions of the Transaction include:

- a) from and after the Closing Date, the Lender will have no further obligation to fund the Applicants' operating costs;
- b) the key terms of the Transaction are consistent with the terms of a standard insolvency transaction, i.e., on an "as is, where is" basis, with limited representations and warranties from the Applicants or the Receiver, as the case may be;
- c) the closing of the W&C APA and the Receivership APS are conditional on the closing of each other;
- d) the CCAA AVO in respect of the W&C APA provides for the Releases (as discussed in Section 4.3 below);
- e) the CCAA AVO provides for an assignment of the Assigned Contracts listed on Schedule "B" to the W&C APA to the Purchaser provided that amounts required to be paid pursuant to section 11.3(4) of the CCAA have been paid by the Purchaser. The Monitor understands that the Applicants and the Purchaser are attempting to reach out to counterparties of the Assigned Contracts to obtain their consent to assignment. However, given the timing of the expected closing of this transaction, it is likely not possible to do so for all Assigned Contracts. In this respect, the Monitor notes that the Purchaser has agreed under the W&C APA to assume the obligations under the Assigned Contracts. Based on information provided to the Monitor by the Purchaser, the Monitor also understands that 7-Eleven will be able to perform the obligations under the Assigned Contracts and that it would be appropriate to assign the rights and obligations to the Purchaser;
- f) With respect to any real property lease assignments required under the Transaction, the Applicants' counsel has advised that each of the relevant landlords has indicated that it is prepared to consent to an assignment of the relevant lease. The Monitor understands that the Applicants' counsel intends to obtain these assignments in advance of closing; however, to the extent that the assignments are not provided prior to the hearing of the application, the Receivership AVO also provides for an assignment of the 772 Leased Real Property to the Purchaser;

- g) subject to Court approval, closing of the Transaction is contemplated to occur on November 20, 2023 (with an effective time of 12:01 a.m. on November 19, 2023) unless otherwise agreed by the parties and the Monitor. The Outside Date is November 30, 2023;
- h) the only material conditions precedent are Court approval of the Transaction pursuant to the CCAA AVO and the approval or non-objection of the Transaction by the Commissioner of Competition pursuant to the *Competition Act*, 1985, c. C-34, the latter of which is in process; and
- i) the Receiver also intends to market the Ridge Meadows and SIU real property for sale by retaining a real estate broker.

4.1 Estimated Transaction Value

1. The table below provides (i) an estimate of the value of the Transaction as of October 28, 2023 based on the Applicants' financial information available to the Monitor; and (ii) the indicative waterfall of distributions resulting therefrom pursuant to the ARIO and the Ancillary Order.

(\$000s) ⁹	Range	
Description	Low	High
W&C APA Transaction		
Accounts Receivable	10,000	12,600
Inventory	7,600	8,600
7-Eleven Inventory	27,100	27,100
Property, Plant & Equipment	4,000	5,000
Other Proceeds	6,200	8,000
Total proceeds from W&C APA Transaction	54,900	61,300
Receivership Transaction, net of CWB mortgage¹⁰	3,100	3,100
Loudon real property	1,300	1,300
Other	400	1,400
Total gross realizations	59,700	67,100

⁹ All amounts in the table have been rounded.

¹⁰ CWB's mortgage is expected to be repaid in full on closing from the sale of the 772 Owned Real Property.

Less:		
Holdbacks and adjustments ¹¹	(14,600)	(11,300)
Net proceeds of realization before the following	45,100	55,800
Lender Priority Charge	(31,800)	(31,800)
Surplus after Lender Priority Charge	13,300	24,000
D&O Charge ¹²	(4,000)	(4,000)
(Shortfall)/surplus after D&O Charge	9,300	20,000
CIBC Pre-Filing Security ¹³	(5,600)	(5,600)
(Shortfall)/surplus after CIBC debt	3,700	14,400
Tobacco Tax Charge	(24,800)	(24,800)
Shortfall on Tobacco Charge	(21,100)	(10,400)

4.2 Transaction Alternatives

1. For the following reasons, the Monitor is of the view that there is no viable better option to the Transaction:
 - a) A&M conducted the SISP in accordance with its terms, subject to encouraging parties to submit offers on an expedited basis;
 - b) the Transaction maximizes value for the Applicants' business and assets;
 - c) 7-Eleven has advised that it is not prepared to support any other transaction at this time. Given 7-Eleven's critical relationship to the Wallace & Carey business, its support is required for any going-concern solution;
 - d) absent the Transaction, the Applicants' business is likely to be liquidated; and
 - e) the value of the Transaction exceeds liquidation value for the Applicants' business and assets for the reasons listed below.

¹¹ Includes holdbacks for the Administration Charge, the Transaction Fee Charge, post-filing liabilities, vacation pay and various other amounts that are required to be paid.

¹² As discussed in paragraph 4.3.6 below, the Applicants' directors and officers are prepared to have this charge released if the Release contemplated by the Transaction is approved by the Court. This would make available \$4 million to stakeholders ranking subordinate to the D&O Charge.

¹³ Estimated, subject to adjustment for interest and expenses.

i. W&C APA transaction

- The purchase price of the personal property in the CCAA transaction exceeds the liquidation value of those assets based on valuations obtained by A&M. A&M and the Monitor engaged in extensive and protracted negotiation with 7-Eleven concerning the purchase price for these assets. The amount paid by 7-Eleven includes a premium above liquidation value reflecting their value-in-use for 7-Eleven.
- 7-Eleven has agreed to purchase, in most cases at cost, certain inventory that has been purchased on its behalf by Wallace & Carey. This represents a substantial portion of Wallace & Carey's inventory. Without this commitment from 7-Eleven, inventory realizations would be significantly impaired, and costs of realization would be materially higher. There would also be challenges conducting the liquidation of the inventory as the assistance of Wallace & Carey's employees would be required. This would require an expensive key employee retention plan given the large number of Wallace & Carey employees, which would further reduce recoveries.
- 7-Eleven has also agreed to pay in full its accounts receivable owing to Wallace & Carey. In a liquidation, Wallace & Carey may be unable to service 7-Eleven in the ordinary course, and there is a significant risk that 7-Eleven would setoff any damages against accounts receivable it owes to Wallace & Carey.
- The method for determining the purchase price for the Oakville lease, which is an Optional Purchased Asset that is believed to have considerable value, was established under the terms of the TSA. The Monitor believes that the methodology is fair and commercially reasonable and is consistent with how such value is commonly calculated.

ii. Receivership transaction

- The purchase price for each 772 Owned Real Property is based on either updated value estimates for those properties obtained by the Monitor earlier in these proceedings, and/or on offers received for these properties in these proceedings. The purchase price also excludes carrying costs (such as property taxes and utilities) that would otherwise be incurred while marketing the properties, and the realtor commissions payable are less than a typical transaction.¹⁴ The sale of the properties in the Transaction also eliminates the risk that these properties may sell for a lower price than the purchase price under the Transaction.

iii. Additionally, the Transaction:

- mitigates the risks and costs of a liquidation, including the challenges retaining employees to assist with the liquidation process and the related payroll and operating costs, which would total millions of dollars; and
- minimizes the fees and costs of the Monitor, its counsel and the Applicants' counsel carrying out a liquidation, which would also be very significant.

4.3 Releases

1. The CCAA AVO provides for the Releases, which include a broad release of all claims against (a) the current and former directors, officers, employees and their legal counsel; (b) legal counsel, agents and advisors of the Applicants and the Purchaser; (c) the Monitor and its legal counsel (collectively, the **"Released Parties"**).
2. The proposed Releases do not release: (i) any claim that is not permitted to be released pursuant to section 5.1(2) of the CCAA, or (ii) any fraud, gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of any Released Parties.
3. The W&C APA provides that the closing of the Transaction will not be conditional upon the granting of the provisions of the CCAA AVO in a form that contains the Releases.

¹⁴ Typically, 5% of the selling price. In this case, commissions total approximately \$180k, or slightly more than 1%.

4. The Monitor notes that certain of the statutes under which the Accrued Tobacco Taxes are legislated contain provisions for director and/or officer liability that would be captured by the Releases contained in the CCAA AVO. The amounts are also secured by the Tobacco Tax Charge. Potential recoveries under the Tobacco Tax Charge are discussed herein and the Monitor understands that the applicable Provinces and Territories were served by the Applicants with their application materials on November 7, 2023 and will be served with this Report. The applicable Provinces and Territories have also been served with all materials filed in these proceedings, including the application materials containing the Initial Order, the ARIO and the Ancillary Order, each of which addresses the priority of the Tobacco Tax Charge and the other CCAA Charges.
5. In the Monitor's view, the Released Parties have provided substantial assistance (and will continue to do so) facilitating the proposed Transaction, which, if approved and closed, will ultimately see the value of the Applicants' business being maximized for the benefit of its stakeholders, including the beneficiaries of the Tobacco Tax Charge. In this regard, the Applicants' directors and officers have agreed, if requested, to continue in their role through this CCAA proceeding, which will provide the Purchaser with the benefit of their institutional knowledge of the Applicants' business and operations and will facilitate the orderly completion of these proceedings for the benefit of stakeholders.
6. Further, the Applicants' director and officers have agreed to have the D&O Charge released if the Release contemplated by the Transaction is approved by the Court. This would make the holdback of \$4 million otherwise contemplated to secure the D&O Charge unnecessary, meaning such funds would be available to stakeholders ranking subordinate to the D&O Charge. The release of this charge also negates the need for a claims process to determine any entitlement to such funds, resulting in significant associated cost savings.

5.0 Proposed Distributions

1. The ARIO and the Ancillary Order establish the following waterfall of distributions in the CCAA proceedings:
 - a) Administration Charge (\$850,000);

- b) Transaction Fee Charge (variable based on the value of the Transaction, but estimated to be approximately \$1 million);
 - c) the Lender Priority Charge (\$55 million);
 - d) D&O Charge (\$4 million);
 - e) the CIBC Pre-Filing Security (estimated to be \$5.5 million); and
 - f) Tobacco Tax Charge to \$25 million.
2. Pursuant to the Forbearance Agreement, CIBC was provided mortgages on the Non-Applicant Real Property ranking subordinate to CWB. As of the date of this Report, the amount owing to CWB is estimated to be approximately \$12 million. CWB is to be repaid, in full, from the sale of the Non-Applicant Real Property owned by 772.
 3. Subject to maintaining a holdback for the Administration Charge and other pre-closing costs that need to be funded from the Transaction proceeds, the Applicants are requesting an Order of the Court providing that the Net Distribution Proceeds are to be distributed to secured creditors in accordance with paragraph 1 and 2 above.
 4. In advance of these proceedings, and in order for the Monitor to recommend that the Court approve the Lender Priority Charge, the Monitor's counsel, Cassels, provided an opinion on the validity and enforceability of CIBC's security. Cassels' opinion provides that, subject to the customary assumptions and qualifications contained therein, the security granted to CIBC is valid and enforceable. Cassels has also provided the Monitor with an opinion confirming the validity and enforceability of CWB's security, subject to the customary assumptions and qualifications contained therein. A copy of the security opinions can be made available to the Court upon request.
 5. The Monitor is not aware of any secured creditors or any claim (including any deemed trust) that ranks or may rank in priority to the Lender Priority Charge or the CIBC Pre-Filing Security, other than the amounts secured under the Administration Charge, the Ancillary Order, and CWB in respect of the Non-Applicant Real Property (excluding the 772 Leased Real Property). Any equipment lessors with security interests in certain leased assets will either be assumed or paid by the Purchasers pursuant to the terms of the Transaction or their assets will be returned to the lessor.

6. The CCAA AVO provides that these distributions will be made free and clear of any claims and encumbrances. The Monitor notes that provincial legislation regarding tobacco taxes establishes a deemed trust in favour of tobacco tax authorities; however, that deemed trust is not operative pursuant to Section 37 of the CCAA. The Monitor notes that the applicable provinces will be served with this Report, as has been the case with all relevant materials filed in these proceedings.
7. Based on the foregoing, the Monitor recommends that the Court issue an order or orders:
 - a) authorizing the Monitor to make distributions to CWB to repay it in full from the proceeds of the sale of the 772 Owned Real Property; and
 - b) subject to the Monitor retaining sufficient reserves to satisfy, among other things, employee wages and vacation pay, the Administration Charge and the D&O Charge (subject to Court approval of the Release), authorizing the Applicant to make certain distributions, to the extent funds are available, including under the Transaction Fee Charge, the Lender Priority Charge and the CIBC Prefiling Security.

6.0 Tobacco Tax Recoveries

1. A table comparing the amounts projected to be owed by the Applicants to the Provinces and Territories as of November 17, 2023¹⁵ to the amounts owing as of the date of the Filing Date is provided below.

(\$000s)	November 17 Projection	Filing Date	Change
British Columbia	3,638	4,281	(643)
Alberta ¹⁶	16,085	13,780	2,305
Saskatchewan	1,880	4,386	(2,506)
Manitoba	1,426	452	974
Ontario	639	1,342	(702)
Northwest Territories	279	340	(61)
Nunavut	-	344	(344)
Yukon	822	535	287
Total	24,769	25,459	(691)

¹⁵ The last business day before closing.

¹⁶ The Monitor understands that the Province of Alberta's records may reflect a lower amount owing as of the Filing Date. The Monitor believes this amount would be approximately \$7.3 million. This is because the Province of Alberta's records would be based on the tobacco tax obligation as of the end of May 2023 and not as of the Filing Date.

2. As is evidenced by the table above, on a net basis, the tobacco taxes projected to be owing by the Applicants as of November 17, 2023 approximate the tobacco taxes owing as of the date of the Initial Order. The table reflects that the amounts owing to certain Provinces and Territories are projected to decline while the amounts owing to others are projected to increase, with Alberta seeing the greatest increase. This is largely because as of the Filing Date, Alberta and the Applicants had agreed to a payment plan in respect of tobacco tax arrears owing at the time, which the Applicants were unable to maintain during the CCAA proceedings. As noted in the Fourth Report Supplement, on October 1, 2023, Alberta withdrew Wallace & Carey's status as a tax collector such that Wallace & Carey is required to pay tobacco taxes at the time of purchase versus at the time of sale, which was the case until that time.
3. Based on the analyses performed by the Monitor, as discussed in Section 4.2 above, the projected repayments to the Provinces and Territories resulting from the Transaction materially exceed the amounts that the Provinces and Territories would receive if the business and assets of the Applicants were liquidated.
4. During the TSA period, Wallace & Carey intends to continue to pay tobacco taxes in the ordinary course.

7.0 Sealing

1. The Applicants are also seeking a Sealing Order, sealing on the Court file the Confidential Appendix to this Report, which contains a summary of bids received during the SISP. The availability of this information to other parties may negatively impact any future sale process if the Transaction does not close, or with respect to other elements of the Applicants' business that may be sold in the future. In the Monitor's view, sealing this information until the earlier of the termination of these proceedings or further Order of this Court is necessary to maximize recoveries in these proceedings and to maintain the integrity and confidentiality of key information in the SISP. The salutary effects of sealing such information from the public record greatly outweigh any deleterious effects of doing so. The Monitor is of the view that the Sealing Order is appropriate in the circumstances, satisfies the test from *Sherman Estate v. Donovan* 2021 SCC 25, and that no stakeholders will be prejudiced if the information is sealed.

8.0 Recommendation

1. The Monitor recommends that the Court issue the CCAA AVO, the Receivership Order and the Receivership AVO for the following reasons:
 - a) A&M carried out the SISP in accordance with its terms;
 - b) A&M widely canvassed the market for potential purchasers. Any purchaser of the Wallace & Carey business would have required a new “service agreement” with 7-Eleven. Among other reasons, the Applicants’ declining liquidity did not provide 7-Eleven with sufficient time to negotiate a service agreement with a new distributor;
 - c) the value of the Transaction exceeds liquidation value. The Transaction has been extensively negotiated. The Monitor believes that the Transaction is, by far, the best outcome for the business and its stakeholders in the circumstances, and is intended to maximize value. The Monitor does not believe there is any viable transaction alternative available to the Applicants;
 - d) the Applicants have had a series of liquidity challenges throughout these proceedings, which liquidity challenges are continuing. Accordingly, it is imperative that a transaction be completed forthwith. Liquidation is a probability if the Transaction is not approved by the Court;
 - e) the Forbearance Agreement has been terminated. Absent completion of the Transaction, it is unlikely that CIBC will continue to fund the going concern operations of Wallace & Carey’s business;
 - f) The Monitor does not believe that the Provinces and Territories would have a superior outcome to the Transaction if it is not approved. Wallace & Carey intends to continue to remit to the Provinces and Territories all tobacco taxes accruing from the date of closing and following;
 - g) the transaction will see the Wallace & Carey business continue during the transition periods, at a minimum. The Purchaser has undertaken to encourage a future service provider (or providers) to offer employment to Wallace & Carey employees. The Purchaser is also considering long-term self-distribution, which would also provide employees with opportunities for long-term employment; and

- h) the continuation of the business will provide Wallace & Carey's vendors with an opportunity to continue their relationship with 7-Eleven, which is critically important to many of them.

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All of which is respectfully submitted,

KSV Restructuring Inc.

**KSV RESTRUCTURING INC.,
in its capacity as monitor of
Wallace & Carey Inc., Loudon Bros Limited, and Carey Management Inc.
and not in its personal capacity**

APPENDIX C

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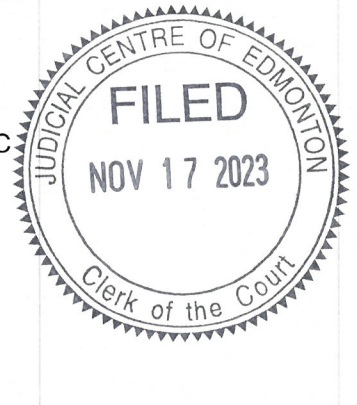
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DATE ON WHICH ORDER WAS PRONOUNCED: November 17, 2023

LOCATION WHERE ORDER WAS PRONOUNCED: Edmonton
Calgary, Alberta

NAME OF JUSTICE WHO MADE THIS ORDER: The Honourable Justice M. E. Burns

UPON THE APPLICATION by Wallace & Carey Inc. ("W&C"), Loudon Bros. Limited ("Loudon"), and Carey Management Inc. ("CMI", collectively with W&C and Loudon, the "Applicants") under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "CCAA") for an order (this "Order"), *inter alia*, approving the transaction contemplated by the asset purchase agreement dated as of November 7, 2023 (the "Sale Agreement") among the Applicants and 7-Eleven Canada, Inc. (the "Purchaser") for the sale of certain undertakings, property and assets of the Applicants (the "Transaction"), a copy of the Agreement which is

attached as Exhibit A to Affidavit No. 3 of Eric Rolheiser sworn November 7, 2023 (the “**Rolheiser Affidavit**”).

AND UPON HAVING READ the Application, the Rolheiser Affidavit, the Affidavit of Service of Marica Ceko sworn November 14, 2023, and the Sixth Report of KSV Restructuring Inc. (the “**Monitor**”) in its capacity as Court-appointed Monitor and proposed receiver dated November 8, 2023 (the “**Sixth Report**”), which affixes the report of Alvarez & Marsal Canada Securities ULC (the “**Financial Advisor**”) appended thereto including the confidential exhibit (the “**Confidential Exhibit**”), the Supplement to the Sixth Report of the Monitor dated November 16, 2023, each filed;

AND UPON HEARING the submissions of counsel for the Applicants, the Purchaser, the Monitor, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, Canadian Western Bank, and such other parties present;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DECLARED THAT:

SERVICE

1. Service of notice of this application and supporting materials is hereby declared to be good and sufficient, no other person is required to have been served with notice of this application and time for service of this application is abridged to that actually given.

CAPITALIZED TERMS

2. Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined in this Order shall have the meaning given to such terms in the Sale Agreement as the context may require.

APPROVAL OF TRANSACTION

3. The Sale Agreement and Transaction are hereby approved and execution of the Sale Agreement by the Applicants is hereby authorized and approved, with such amendments to the Sale Agreement as the Applicants and the Purchaser may agree to with the consent of the Monitor. The performance by the Applicants of their obligations under the Sale Agreement are hereby authorized and approved. The Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to take such additional steps and execute such additional documents as may be necessary or desirable for completion of the Transaction and conveyance of the Purchased Assets to the Purchaser.

VESTING OF PROPERTY

4. Upon delivery of a Monitor's certificate to the Purchaser (or its nominee) substantially in the form set out in **Schedule "A"** hereto (the "**Monitor's Closing Certificate**"), all of Applicants' right, title and interest in and to the Purchased Assets as such term is defined in the Sale Agreement attached as **Schedule "B"** hereto shall vest absolutely in the name of the Purchaser (or its nominee), free and clear of and from any and all caveats, security interests, hypothecs, pledges, mortgages, liens, trusts or deemed trusts, reservations of ownership, royalties, options, rights of pre-emption, privileges, interests, assignments, actions, judgements, executions, levies, taxes, writs of enforcement, charges, or other claims, whether contractual, statutory, financial, monetary or otherwise, whether or not they have attached or been perfected, registered or filed and whether secured, unsecured or otherwise (collectively, "**Claims**") including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing:
 - (a) any encumbrance or charges created by the Amended and Restated Initial Order dated June 30, 2023, or any other Order granted in these proceedings;
 - (b) any charges, security interests or claims evidenced by registrations pursuant to the *Personal Property Security Act* (Alberta) or any other personal property registry system;
 - (c) any liens or claims of lien under the *Builders' Lien Act* (Alberta); and
 - (d) those Claims listed in **Schedule "C"** hereto (all of which are collectively referred to as the "Encumbrances", which term shall not include the permitted encumbrances, caveats, interests, easements, and restrictive covenants listed in **Schedule "D"** (collectively, "**Permitted Encumbrances**");and for greater certainty, this Court orders that all Claims including Encumbrances other than Permitted Encumbrances, affecting or relating to the Purchased Assets are hereby expunged, discharged and terminated as against the Purchased Assets.
5. Upon delivery of the Monitor's Closing Certificate, and upon filing of a certified copy of this Order, together with any applicable registration fees, all governmental authorities including those referred to below in this paragraph (collectively, "**Governmental Authorities**") are hereby authorized, requested and directed to accept delivery of such Monitor's Closing Certificate and certified copy of this Order as though they were originals and to register such transfers, interest authorizations, discharges and discharge statements of conveyance as

may be required to convey to the Purchaser or its nominee clear title to the Purchased Assets subject only to Permitted Encumbrances. Without limiting the foregoing:

- (a) the Registrar of the Alberta Personal Property Registry (the “**PPR Registrar**”) shall and is hereby directed to forthwith cancel and discharge any registrations at the Alberta Personal Property Registry (whether made before or after the date of this Order) claiming security interests (other than Permitted Encumbrances) in the estate or interest of the Applicants in any of the Purchased Assets which are of a kind prescribed by applicable regulations as serial-number goods.
6. In order to effect the transfers and discharges described above, this Court directs each of the Governmental Authorities to take such steps as are necessary to give effect to the terms of this Order and the Sale Agreement. Presentment of this Order and the Monitor’s Closing Certificate shall be the sole and sufficient authority for the Governmental Authorities to make and register transfers of title or interest and cancel and discharge registrations against any of the Purchased Assets of any Claims including Encumbrances but excluding Permitted Encumbrances.
7. No authorization, approval or other action by and no notice to or filing with any governmental authority or regulatory body exercising jurisdiction over the Purchased Assets is required for the due execution, delivery and performance by the Applicants of the Sale Agreement.
8. For the purposes of determining the nature and priority of Claims, net proceeds from sale of the Purchased Assets (to be held in an interest bearing trust account by the Monitor) shall stand in the place and stead of the Purchased Assets from and after delivery of the Monitor’s Closing Certificate and all Claims including Encumbrances (but excluding Permitted Encumbrances) shall not attach to, encumber or otherwise form a charge, security interest, lien, or other Claim against the Purchased Assets and may be asserted against the net proceeds from sale of the Purchased Assets with the same priority as they had with respect to the Purchased Assets immediately prior to the sale, as if the Purchased Assets had not been sold and remained in the possession or control of the person having that possession or control immediately prior to the sale. Unless otherwise ordered (whether before or after the date of this Order), the Monitor shall not make any distributions to creditors of net proceeds from sale of the Purchased Assets without further order of this Court.
9. Except as expressly provided for in the Sale Agreement or by section 5 of the Alberta *Employment Standards Code* if and to the extent it applies, the Purchaser (or its nominee)

shall not, by completion of the Transaction, have liability of any kind whatsoever in respect of any Claims against the Applicants.

10. Upon completion of the Transaction, the Applicants and all persons who claim by, through or under the Applicants in respect of the Purchased Assets, and all persons or entities having any Claims of any kind whatsoever in respect of the Purchased Assets, save and except for persons entitled to the benefit of the Permitted Encumbrances, shall stand absolutely and forever barred, estopped and foreclosed from and permanently enjoined from pursuing, asserting or claiming any and all right, title, estate, interest, royalty, rental, equity of redemption or other Claim whatsoever in respect of or to the Purchased Assets, and to the extent that any such persons or entities remain in the possession or control of any of the Purchased Assets, or any artifacts, certificates, instruments or other indicia of title representing or evidencing any right, title, estate, or interest in and to the Purchased Assets, they shall forthwith deliver possession thereof to the Purchaser (or its nominee).
11. The Purchaser (or its nominee) shall be entitled to enter into and upon, hold and enjoy the Purchased Assets for its own use and benefit without any interference of or by the Applicants, or any person claiming by, through or against the Applicants.
12. Immediately upon closing of the Transaction, holders of Permitted Encumbrances shall have no claim whatsoever against the Applicants.
13. The Monitor is directed to file with the Court a copy of the Monitor's Closing Certificate forthwith after delivery thereof to the Applicants and Purchaser (or its nominee).
14. The Monitor may rely on written notice from the Applicants and the Purchaser or their respective counsel regarding the satisfaction of the Purchase Price and the fulfillment of the conditions to closing under the Sale Agreement and shall incur no liability with respect to the delivery of the Monitor's Closing Certificate.
15. Pursuant to clause 7(3)(c) of the *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act* (Canada) and section 20(e) of the *Alberta Personal Information Protection Act*, the Applicants are authorized and permitted to disclose and transfer to the Purchaser (or its nominee) all human resources and payroll information in Applicants' records pertaining to the Applicants' past and current employees. The Purchaser (or its nominee) shall maintain and protect the privacy of such information and shall be entitled to use the personal information provided to it in a manner which is in all material respects identical to the prior use (of such information) to which the Applicants were entitled.

APPROVAL OF TRANSITION SERVICES AGREEMENT

16. The TSA (as defined in the Sale Agreement) is hereby approved and execution of the TSA by the Applicants and the Monitor is hereby authorized and approved, with such amendments to the TSA as the Applicants and the Purchaser may agree to with the consent of the Monitor. The performance by the Applicants of their obligations under the TSA are hereby authorized and approved. The Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to take such additional steps and execute such additional documents as may be necessary or desirable for completion of the TSA.

RELEASES

17. Effective upon the filing of the Monitor's Closing Certificate: (i) the present and former directors, officers and employees of the Applicants; (ii) their respective legal counsel and advisors; (iii) the legal counsel and advisors of the Applicants and the Purchaser; and (iv) the Monitor and its legal counsel (the persons listed in (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) being collectively, the **"Released Parties"**) shall be deemed to be forever irrevocably released and discharged from any and all present and future claims (including, without limitations, claims for contribution or indemnity), liabilities, indebtedness, demands, actions, causes of action, counterclaims, suits, damages, judgments, executions, recoupments, debts, sums of money, expenses, accounts, liens, taxes, recoveries, and obligations of any nature or kind whatsoever (whether direct or indirect, known or unknown, absolute or contingent, accrued or unaccrued, liquidated or unliquidated, matured or unmatured or due or not yet due, in law or equity and whether based in statute or otherwise) based in whole or in part on any act or omission, transaction, dealing or other occurrence existing or taking place prior to the issuance of the Monitor's Closing Certificate (collectively, the **"Released Claims"**), which Released Claims are hereby fully, finally, irrevocably and forever waived, discharged, released, cancelled and barred as against the Released Parties, provided that nothing in this paragraph 17 shall waive, discharge, release, cancel or bar any claim against any of the Released Parties for fraud, gross negligence, or willful misconduct, or any claims against the directors and officers of each of the Applicants that is not permitted to be released pursuant to section 5.1(2) of the CCAA.

THE MONITOR

18. Without in any way limiting the Monitor's powers set out in the Amended and Restated Initial Order, any other Order of this Court in these CCAA proceedings, or under the CCAA or

applicable law, the Monitor is hereby authorized to undertake and perform such activities and obligations as are contemplated to be undertaken or performed by the Monitor pursuant to this Order and the Sale Agreement or any ancillary document related thereto, and shall incur no liability in connection therewith, save and except for any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part. Nothing in this Order shall affect, vary, derogate from, limit or otherwise amend any of the protections in favour of the Monitor at law or pursuant to the CCAA, the Amended and Restated Initial Order or any other Order granted in these CCAA proceedings.

19. The Monitor may rely on written notice from the Applicants and the Purchaser or their respective counsel regarding the satisfaction of the Purchase Price and the fulfillment of the conditions to closing under the Sale Agreement and shall incur no liability with respect to the delivery of the Monitor's Closing Certificate.

ASSIGNMENT OF ASSIGNED CONTRACTS

20. Upon delivery by the Monitor to the Applicants and the Purchaser of the Monitor's Closing Certificate and payment of all amounts required pursuant to section 11.3(4) of the CCAA, all of the rights and obligations of the Applicants under and to the Assigned Contracts (as defined in the Sale Agreement) (the "**Assigned Contracts**"), shall be assigned, conveyed and transferred to, and assumed by, the Purchaser pursuant to this Order. For certainty, the Purchaser is assuming all obligations and liabilities of the Applicants under the Assigned Contracts.
21. The assignment of the Assigned Contracts is declared to be valid and binding upon all of the counterparties to the Assigned Contracts notwithstanding any restriction, condition or prohibition contained to the Assigned Contracts relating to the assignment thereof, including any provision requiring the consent of any party to the assignment.
22. The assignment and transfer of the Assigned Contracts shall be subject to the provisions of this Order.
23. No counterparty under any Assigned Contract, nor any other person, upon the assignment and transfer to, and assumption by, the Purchaser of the Assigned Contracts hereunder shall make or pursue any demand, claim, action or suit or exercise any right or remedy under any Assigned Contract against the Purchaser relating to:

- (a) the Applicants having sought or obtained relief under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c.B-3, as amended (the “**BIA**”);
- (b) the insolvency of the Applicants; or
- (c) any failure by the Applicants to perform a non-monetary obligation under the Assigned Contract,

and all such counterparties and persons shall be forever barred and estopped from taking such action. For greater certainty, nothing herein shall limit or exempt the Purchaser in respect of obligations accruing, arising or continuing after the Closing Date (as defined in the Sale Agreement) under the Assigned Contracts other than in respect of items (a)-(b) above.

INTERIM DISTRIBUTION

- 24. Following delivery of the Monitors' Closing Certificate, the Monitor, is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Applicants to hold back from the distributions authorized in paragraph 24 hereof, (i) an amount as the Monitor determines is necessary to satisfy any outstanding and anticipated professional fees and disbursements of the Applicants, the Monitor, the Monitors' counsel and any outstanding Work Fees of A&M (the “**Admin Holdback**”); and (ii) an amount as the Monitor determines is necessary to satisfy the following post-filing incurred but unpaid amounts: employee wages and benefits, employee vacation pay, sales taxes, and trade payables, accrued, and an amount sufficient to fund operational losses of the Applicants prior to closing (collectively, the “**Operational Holdback**”, together with the Admin Holdback the “**Holdback**”). Provided further, following the creation of the Holdback, the Administration Charge shall attach only to the Holdback.
- 25. Further to the releases set out at paragraph 17 of this Order being herein granted and approved, following delivery of the Monitor's Closing Certificate, the D&O Charge shall be released, and any holdback of funds from distribution that would have been required to secure that charge shall be distributed in accordance with paragraph 26(c) below.
- 26. Following delivery of the Monitor's Closing Certificate, the Applicants, by way of the Monitor, are hereby authorized and directed, subject to the creation of the Holdback and receipt by the Applicants (or the Monitor on behalf of the Applicants) of sufficient funds, to:
 - (a) pay to A&M the Transaction Fee, in an amount to be determined by A&M, the Applicants and the Monitor pursuant to the Advisor Agreement dated August 13,

2023 in full and final satisfaction of all amounts secured by the Transaction Fee Charge, and following payment of such amount, the Transaction Fee Charge shall be and is hereby terminated;

- (b) pay, in one or more payments, an amount necessary to satisfy all amounts secured by the Lender Priority Charge to CIBC;
- (c) pay, in one or more payments, an aggregate amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 on account of the amount by which any claim of a provincial or territorial tobacco tax authority (the “**Tobacco Tax Authority(s)**”) claim against the Applicants for unpaid tobacco taxes as of the date of delivery of the Monitor's Closing Certificate exceeds the amount owing as of June 22, 2023 (the “**Incremental Post-Filing Tobacco Tax Exposure**”) to such Tobacco Tax Authority. Notwithstanding the foregoing, should the aggregate Incremental Post-Filing Tobacco Tax Exposure exceed \$4,000,000, payments to each Tobacco Tax Authority with respect to such Incremental Post-Filing Tobacco Exposure shall be made on a pro rata basis;
- (d) pay, in one or more payments an amount necessary to satisfy all pre-filing obligations owing under the CIBC Credit Agreement (as defined in the Sixth Report), including for greater certainty, obligations in connection with the BCAP Loan (as defined in the Sixth Report); and

The foregoing distributions shall be made free and clear of all Claims, including for greater certainty any deemed trust claims. For greater certainty, any amounts distributed to CIBC by KSV Restructuring Inc. in its capacity of Receiver of 772921 Alberta Inc., Spruce It Up Land Corp. and Ridge Meadows Properties Ltd. shall be taken into account in calculating the amounts owed to CIBC in respect of the above distributions.

SEALING AND CONFIDENTIALITY

- 27. The Confidential Exhibit shall be sealed on the Court file, kept confidential, and not form part of the public record, notwithstanding Division 4 of Part 6 of the Alberta Rules of Court.
- 28. The Confidential Exhibit contains confidential and commercially sensitive information, which if made publicly available could be used to the detriment of the parties and these proceedings, and shall be sealed on the Court file, not form part of the public record, and not be available for public inspection until the Monitor files a certificate with this Court confirming the conclusion of these proceedings, or further order by this Court.

29. The Clerk of the Court shall file the Confidential Exhibit in a sealed envelope attached to a notice that sets out the style of cause of these proceedings and states that:

THIS ENVELOPE CONTAINS CONFIDENTIAL MATERIALS FILED IN THE COURT OF KING'S BENCH FILE NO.: 2301 - 08305. THE CONFIDENTIAL MATERIALS ARE SEALED PURSUANT TO THE SEALING ORDER GRANTED BY THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE BURNS ON NOVEMBER 17, 2023, AND ARE NOT TO BE PLACED ON THE PUBLIC RECORD OR MADE PUBLICALLY ACCESSIBLE, UNTIL THE FILING OF A CERTIFICATE SIGNIFYING THE CONCLUSION OF THESE PROCEEDINGS, OR FURTHER ORDER OF THE COURT.

30. Any person, entity or party affected by the sealing of the Confidential Exhibit may apply to have the Sealing Order vacated, substituted, modified or varied, with such application to be brought on at least seven days' notice to the Companies and any other interested party.


MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

31. Notwithstanding:

- (a) the pendency of these proceedings and any declaration of insolvency made herein;
- (b) the pendency of any applications for a bankruptcy order now or hereafter issued pursuant to the BIA, in respect of the Applicants, and any bankruptcy order issued pursuant to any such applications;
- (c) any assignment in bankruptcy made in respect of any of the Applicants; and
- (d) the provisions of any federal or provincial statute:

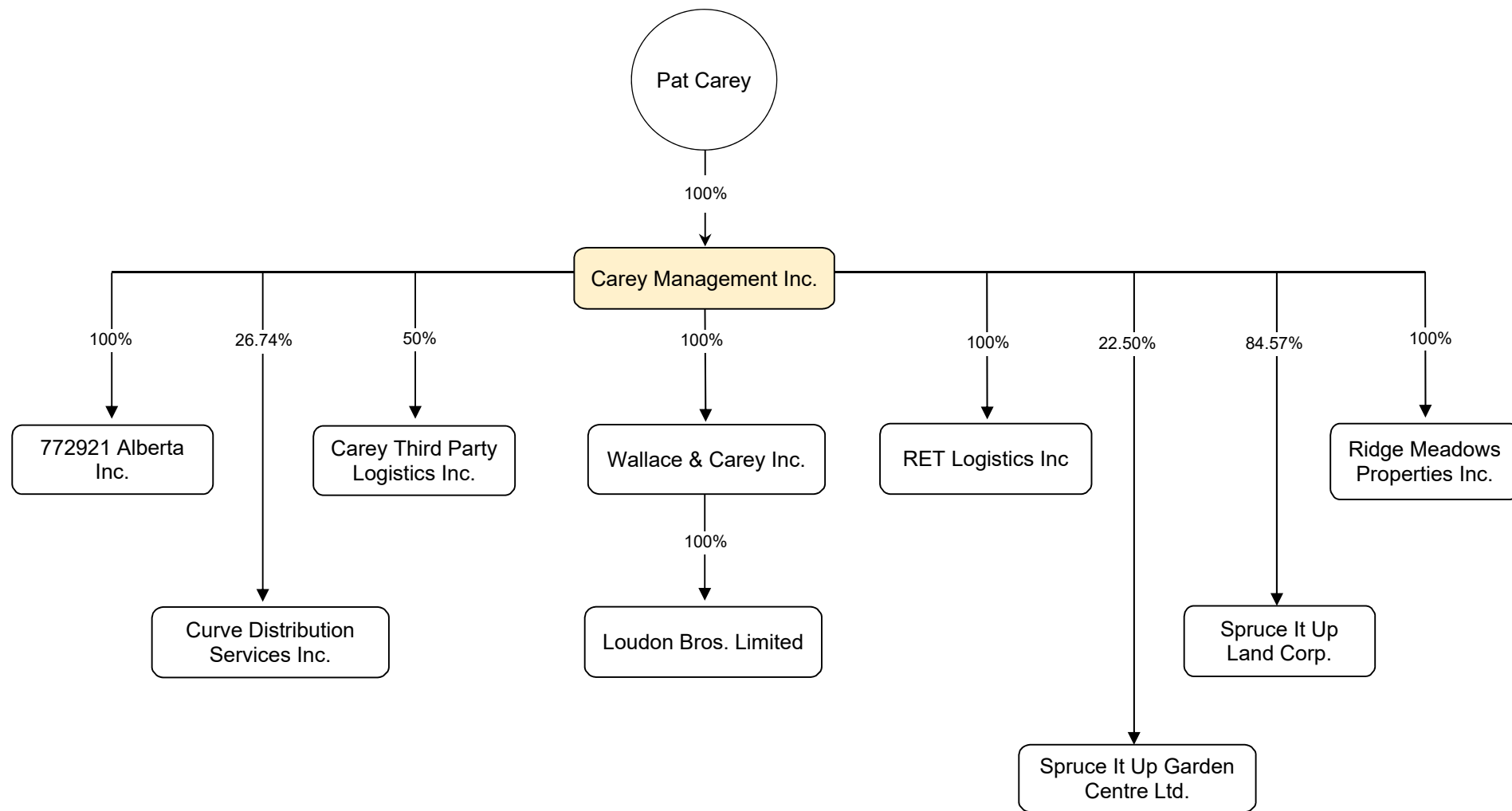
the vesting of the Purchased Assets in the Purchaser (or its nominee) pursuant to this Order and the interim distribution (set out at paragraphs 24 and 25) shall be binding on any trustee in bankruptcy that may be appointed in respect of the Applicants and shall not be void or voidable by creditors of the Applicants, nor shall it constitute nor be deemed to be a transfer at undervalue, settlement, fraudulent preference, assignment, fraudulent conveyance, or other reviewable transaction under the BIA or any other applicable federal or provincial legislation, nor shall it constitute oppressive or unfairly prejudicial conduct pursuant to any applicable federal or provincial legislation.

32. The Applicants, the Monitor, the Purchaser (or its nominee) and any other interested party, shall be at liberty to apply for further advice, assistance and direction as may be necessary in order to give full force and effect to the terms of this Order and to assist and aid the parties in closing the Transaction.
33. This Honourable Court hereby requests the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in any of its provinces or territories or in any foreign jurisdiction, to act in aid of and to be complimentary to this Court in carrying out the terms of this Order, to give effect to this Order and to assist the Applicants, the Monitor and their agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such order and to provide such assistance to the Monitor, as an officer of the Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order or to assist the Monitor and its agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.
34. Service of this Order shall be deemed good and sufficient by:
- (a) Serving the same on:
 - (i) the persons listed on the service list created in these proceedings;
 - (ii) any other person served with notice of the application for this Order;
 - (iii) any other parties attending or represented at the application for this Order;
 - (iv) the Purchaser or the Purchaser's solicitors; and
 - (b) Posting a copy of this Order on the Monitor's website at:
<https://www.ksvadvisory.com/experience/case/wallace-and-carey>
- and service on any other person is hereby dispensed with.
35. Service of this Order may be effected by facsimile, electronic mail, personal delivery or courier. Service is deemed to be effected the next business day following transmission or delivery of this Order.


Justice of the Court of King's Bench of Alberta

APPENDIX D

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1.0 Introduction

1. Pursuant to an order (the “**Initial Order**”) granted by the Court of King’s Bench of Alberta (the “**Court**”) on June 22, 2023 (the “**Filing Date**”), Wallace & Carey Inc. (“**Wallace & Carey**”), Loudon Bros Limited (“**Loudon Bros**”, and together with Wallace & Carey, the “**Logistics Companies**”) and Carey Management Inc. (“**CMI**”, and together with the Logistics Companies, the “**Applicants**”) were granted protection under the *Companies’ Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the “**CCAA**”), and KSV Restructuring Inc. (“**KSV**”) was appointed monitor of the Applicants (the “**Monitor**”).
2. On June 30, 2023, the Court granted an Amended and Restated Initial Order (the “**ARIO**”).
3. Pursuant to an order granted by the Court on August 23, 2023, the Applicants carried out a sale and investment solicitation process that resulted in a transaction (the “**Transaction**”) between the Applicants and 7-Eleven Canada, Inc. (the “**Purchaser**”) that was approved by the Court on November 17, 2023 pursuant to an approval and vesting order (the “**Transaction Approval and Vesting Order**”) and other orders (together with the Transaction Approval and Vesting Order, the “**Transaction Orders**”). A detailed discussion of the Transaction is provided in the Monitor’s Sixth Report to Court dated November 8, 2023 (the “**Sixth Report**”). Copies of the Sixth Report (without appendices) and the Transaction Approval and Vesting Order are attached hereto as **Appendix “A”** and “**B**”, respectively.
4. Pursuant to the Transaction Orders, the Court:
 - a) approved a sale of certain of the Applicants’ property, assets and undertakings to the Purchaser;
 - b) approved a transition services agreement (the “**TSA**”) among CMI, Wallace & Carey and the Purchaser, as more fully discussed in the Sixth Report. A copy of the TSA is attached hereto as **Appendix “C”**;

- c) appointed KSV as the receiver (the “**Receiver**”) of the following subsidiaries of CMI:
- i. 772921 Alberta Inc. (“**772**”), which:
- owned two warehouses¹, one in British Columbia (the “**772 Owned BC Property**”) and one in Alberta (the “**772 Owned Alberta Property**”, together with the 772 Owned BC Property, the “**772 Owned Real Property**”) that are used by Wallace & Carey in its business; and
 - leased two warehouses², one in British Columbia and one in Alberta, that are also used by Wallace & Carey in its business (the “**772 Leased Real Property**”); and
- ii. Ridge Meadows Properties Ltd. (“**Ridge Meadows**”)³ and Spruce It Up Land Corp. (“**SIU**”)^{4, 5} each of which was subject to security interests in favour of Canadian Western Bank (“**CWB**”) and Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (“**CIBC**”); and
- d) approved the sale and assignment to the Purchaser of the 772 Owned Real Property and the 772 Leased Real Property, respectively.
5. On November 29, 2023, upon an application by the Companies, the Court granted an order, among other things:
- a) extending the stay of proceedings (the “**Stay**”) in these CCAA Proceedings (as defined below) to and including February 29, 2024;
- b) approving the Monitor’s Reports (as defined in the Seventh Report of the Monitor, dated November 22, 2023 (the “**Seventh Report**”)) and the Monitor’s activities, as detailed therein, from the commencement of the CCAA Proceedings, including its pre-filing activities; and

¹ The municipal addresses of these properties are 1230 Industrial Road, Kelowna, British Columbia and 5415 and 5445 8th Street N.E., Calgary Alberta.

² Having municipal addresses of 8th Street NE, Calgary, Alberta, and Unit 5B, 4386 Boban Drive Nanaimo, British Columbia.

³ Having a municipal address of 255256 Range Road 25, NW Calgary, Alberta.

⁴ Having a municipal address of 159 210 Avenue SW, Calgary, Alberta.

⁵ The shares of Ridge Meadows and SIU are subject to the CCAA Charges (as defined in the Sixth Report). CMI is believed to own 100% of Ridge Meadows and 84.57% of SIU.

- c) approving the fees and expenses of the Monitor and its counsel, Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP (“**Cassels**”) from the commencement of the CCAA Proceedings to October 31, 2023 and November 6, 2023, respectively, including their pre-filing fees and expenses.
- 6. The Court materials filed in these proceedings are available on the Monitor’s case website at www.ksvadvisory.com/experience/case/wallace-and-carey (the “**Case Website**”).
- 7. KSV is filing this eighth report (the “**Report**”) as Monitor of the Applicants.

1.1 Purposes of this Report

- 1. The purposes of this Report are to:
 - a) provide background information concerning the Applicants and these proceedings (the “**CCAA Proceedings**”);
 - b) provide information to the Court in support of the Monitor’s application for an order:
 - i. authorizing the Monitor to make the Recommended Distributions, as defined and discussed in Section 3 below to the Entitled Tobacco Tax Authorities (as defined below);
 - ii. granting a Court-ordered charge to the Purchaser (the “**TSA Charge**”) over certain present and future property of Wallace & Carey (collectively the “**Post-Transaction Property**”), as more fully detailed in Section 4 below;
 - iii. approving this Report and the Monitor’s activities, as detailed herein; and
 - iv. approving the fees and expenses of the Monitor and Cassels, as detailed herein.

1.2 Scope and Terms of Reference

- 1. In preparing this Report, the Monitor has relied upon the Applicants’ unaudited financial information, books and records and discussions with the Applicants’ management and legal counsel.

2. The Monitor has not audited or otherwise attempted to verify the accuracy or completeness of the financial information relied on to prepare this Report in a manner that complies with Canadian Auditing Standards (“**CAS**”) pursuant to the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada Handbook and, accordingly, the Monitor expresses no opinion or other form of assurance contemplated under the CAS in respect of such information. Any party wishing to place reliance on the financial information should perform its own diligence.
3. An examination of any forward-looking financial information discussed herein has not been performed in accordance with the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada Handbook. Forward-looking financial forecasts and information are based upon various assumptions. Actual results achieved may vary materially from the forecasted results. The Monitor expresses no opinion or other form of assurance on whether the Applicants’ businesses will perform in accordance with their financial forecasts and projections.

1.3 Currency

1. All references to currency in this Report are to Canadian dollars.

2.0 Applicants’ Background

1. CMI is an Alberta corporation and the sole shareholder of Wallace & Carey, which is the sole shareholder of Loudon Bros. In addition to the Logistics Companies, CMI has ownership interests in nine subsidiaries, none of which are subject to the CCAA Proceedings. These include 100% of the equity of 772 and Ridge Meadows, and 84.57% of the equity of SIU, each of which is now subject to receivership proceedings with KSV appointed as Receiver pursuant to orders granted by the Court on November 17, 2023. CMI’s corporate organizational chart is provided in **Appendix “D”**.
2. Wallace & Carey is an Alberta corporation that is extra-provincially registered to conduct business in most provinces and territories in Canada.
3. Loudon Bros, located in Thunder Bay, Ontario is an Ontario corporation that is wholly owned by Wallace & Carey, which until late 2023 operated as its Northwestern Ontario branch. As part of their efforts to downsize their business during these proceedings, the Applicants decided to discontinue the Loudon Bros business. On November 3, 2023, the Court approved a sale of Loudon Bros’ real property for gross proceeds of approximately \$1.4 million. The sale closed on November 17, 2023, which was the final significant step in the wind-down of the Loudon Bros business.

4. Pursuant to the terms of the Transaction Approval and Vesting Order and the TSA, Wallace & Carey continues to carry on active business operations. As provided for in, and subject to the terms and conditions of the TSA, from and after 12:01 a.m. on November 19, 2023 (the “**Effective Closing Time**”), 7-Eleven is responsible to fund substantially all post-Effective Closing Time costs of Wallace & Carey’s operations.
5. Wallace & Carey presently has approximately 450 full-time employees. CMI has three employees, being Patrick Carey, the Chair, Daniel Elrod, the Chief Executive Officer, and an administrative employee. All Loudon Bros’ employees have been terminated.
6. Prior to the CCAA Proceedings, CIBC provided CMI with a revolving asset-based loan (the “**CIBC Revolving Loan**”) and term loan facility (jointly with the CIBC Revolving Loan, the “**CIBC Facilities**”). The CIBC Facilities were guaranteed by the Logistics Companies and various other entities within the CMI corporate group, including 772, SIU and Ridge Meadows. Pursuant to the terms of a Forbearance Agreement between the Applicants and CIBC dated June 22, 2023, all amounts owing to CIBC as of the Filing Date under the CIBC Revolving Loan (being approximately \$38.54 million) were repaid during the CCAA Proceedings through accounts receivables collections, and all amounts advanced by CIBC since that time were secured by the Lender Priority Charge granted under the Initial Order.
7. As of the Effective Closing Time: CIBC (i) discontinued funding the Applicants’ business and operations, and (ii) has no further obligation to fund the business and operations of the Applicants. As of the date of this Report, all amounts owing to CIBC have been repaid, including amounts owing to it pursuant to the Lender Priority Charge, the BCAP Loan (as defined in the ARIO) and letters of credit.
8. All amounts owing to CWB have also been repaid through proceeds generated from the Transaction.

3.0 Post-Filing Tobacco Tax Exposure

1. The Sixth Report included a schedule (the “**Tobacco Tax Liability Schedule**”) that projected the Logistics Companies’ tax liability as of November 17, 2023⁶ for amounts required to be remitted by the Logistics Companies under the *Tobacco Tax Act*, RSA 2000, c. T-4, or under any other applicable provincial legislation or laws (the “**Tobacco Tax**

⁶ The date of the application to approve the Transaction.

Liabilities") to provincial and territorial tobacco tax authorities (the "**Tobacco Tax Authorities**").

2. To determine whether the Tobacco Tax Liabilities presented in the Sixth Report remained accurate as of the date of the application to approve the Transaction (the "**Transaction Application**"), the Monitor requested that Wallace & Carey update the Tobacco Tax Liability Schedule as of the end of business on November 15, 2023. The updated Tobacco Tax Liability Schedule was included in the Monitor's Supplemental Report to the Sixth Report dated November 16, 2023 (the "**Sixth Report Supplement**") and is reproduced below:

	<i>A</i>		<i>B</i>	<i>B – A</i>
(\$)	Filing Date Liability	Liability per Sixth Report	Updated Liability	Change from Filing Date
British Columbia	4,281,041	3,637,800	7,582,324	3,301,283
Alberta	13,779,932	16,085,199	15,960,199	2,180,267
Saskatchewan	4,385,755	1,879,525	3,244,063	(1,141,692)
Manitoba	451,836	1,425,888	966,372	514,536
Ontario	1,341,780	639,409	225,163	(1,116,617)
Northwest Territories	340,084	278,798	202,715	(137,369)
Nunavut	344,032	-	-	(344,032)
Yukon	535,022	821,967	687,402	152,380
Total	25,459,482	24,768,586	28,868,238	3,408,756

3. As reflected above, as at November 15, 2023, there was a projected net increase in the Tobacco Tax Liabilities of approximately \$3.4 million from the Filing Date, versus the projected decrease of approximately \$691,000 reflected in the Tobacco Tax Liability Schedule in the Sixth Report. As was the case in the Sixth Report, the exposure for certain Tobacco Tax Authorities increased, while it decreased for others.
4. As a result of this new information, British Columbia (the province that had the largest increase) expressed concerns to the Applicants and the Monitor regarding approval of the Transaction, including the contemplated release of the Applicants' Directors and Officers. Prior to the return of the application to approve the Transaction (the "**Transaction Application**"), an agreement was reached with British Columbia that the D&O Charge (as defined in the ARIO) in the amount of \$4 million⁷ would be shared on a *pari passu* basis

⁷ Pursuant to the Initial Order, the ARIO and the Ancillary Order, the following charges rank in priority to the D&O Charge: the Administration Charge, the Transaction Fee Charge, and the Lender Priority Charge. The Transaction Fee Charge and the Lender Priority Charge have been fully satisfied and the provision has been made to satisfy the Administration Charge.

among the Provinces and Territories whose Tobacco Tax Liability increased between the Filing Date and the Transaction Application, as detailed in the table below⁸.

	<i>A</i>		<i>B</i>	<i>B – A</i>
(\$)	Filing Date Liability	Liability per Sixth Report	Liability per Sixth Report Supplement	Change from Filing Date
British Columbia	4,281,041	3,637,800	7,582,324	3,301,283
Alberta	13,779,932	16,085,199	15,960,199	2,180,267
Manitoba	451,836	1,425,888	966,372	514,536
Yukon	535,022	821,967	687,402	152,380
Total	19,047,831	21,970,854	25,196,297	6,148,466

5. There was no opposition to the approval of the Transaction, including the treatment of the Tobacco Tax Liabilities. Accordingly, pursuant to paragraph 26(c) of the Transaction Approval and Vesting Order, the Court authorized and directed the Monitor to pay, on a pro rata basis⁹, an aggregate amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 to the Tobacco Tax Authorities for Incremental Post-Filing Tobacco Tax Exposure (as defined in paragraph 26(c) of the Transaction Approval and Vesting Order).
6. On January 12, 2024, after the Logistics Companies filed their November tobacco tax returns, the Companies provided the Monitor with the final balances outstanding to the Tobacco Tax Authorities as of the Effective Closing Time, which reflected credits issued following the Effective Closing Time by certain Tobacco Tax Authorities to Wallace & Carey. After accounting for these credits, only British Columbia, Alberta and Yukon (collectively, the “**Entitled Tobacco Tax Authorities**”) had any Incremental Post-Filing Tobacco Tax Exposure, and the total amount of such declined to \$3,313,081, as reflected in the table below.

⁸ The table includes only those Provinces or Territories which had a projected increase in their tobacco tax liability between the Filing Date and November 17, 2023.

⁹ The Provinces and Territories in the table above would have received a distribution of approximately 65% of the increase in their exposure from the Filing Date to the Transaction Application.

	<i>A</i>		<i>B</i>	<i>B – A</i>
(\$) ¹⁰	Filing Date Liability	Liability per Sixth Report Supplement	Updated Liability	Change from Filing Date
British Columbia	4,281,041	7,582,324	6,237,869	1,956,828
Alberta	13,779,932	15,960,199	15,003,199	1,223,267
Yukon	535,022	687,402	668,008	132,986
Total	18,595,995	24,229,925	21,909,076	3,313,081

7. On January 23, 2024, the Alberta Tobacco Tax Authority notified the Applicants and the Monitor that it was applying additional tax refunds totaling \$329,618 for product purchased by Wallace & Carey after the Effective Closing Time (the “**Post-Closing Credits**”) against Tobacco Tax Liabilities owing to it prior to the Effective Closing Time. This credit further reduced Alberta’s Post-Filing Tobacco Tax Exposure from \$1,223,267 as shown above to \$893,649.
8. As discussed further below, the Post-Closing Credits were, under the TSA, for the account of the Purchaser. Accordingly, subject to Court approval, the Monitor intends to remit the amount of the Post-Closing Credits (being \$329,618) to the Purchaser (as that amount relates to the refunds accruing after the Effective Closing Time).
9. Accordingly, the Monitor is requesting that this Court issue an Order authorizing it to issue distributions totaling \$3,313,081, in full satisfaction of the obligations set forth in paragraph 26(c) of the Transaction Approval and Vesting Order as follows:
 - a) British Columbia – \$1,956,828;
 - b) Alberta – \$893,649;
 - c) Yukon – \$132,986; and
 - d) 7-Eleven – \$329,618 (collectively, the “**Recommended Distributions**”).

¹⁰ The amounts noted in the table are based on the books and records of the Applicants and remain subject to confirmation from the Entitled Tobacco Tax Authorities. The Monitor intends to attempt to confirm the amounts outstanding to the Entitled Tobacco Tax Authorities prior to the return of this application. The Monitor will advise the Court of any changes prior to the application date, if known by that time.

4.0 TSA Charge

1. The TSA is integral to the Transaction. Among other things, the TSA sets out the terms on which the Purchaser is responsible to fund, from and after closing, substantially all of the Applicants' operational costs, including employee costs, real property and personal property leases and other contracts, as well as the fees and costs of the Monitor and its counsel, and certain fees of the Applicants' counsel. The Purchaser is the only source of funding for the Applicants' post-filing operations. Neither CIBC nor the Monitor have any obligation to fund the post-closing operations of the Applicants.
2. The Purchaser has requested that the Monitor seek approval of the TSA Charge. The TSA Charge is intended to address the hypothetical situation that the Applicants' business and operations are discontinued or wound-down for any reason, the Purchaser has satisfied all of its obligations under the TSA, and that there is a surplus after such obligations have been satisfied. The Purchaser is concerned that any surplus not be used to fund obligations other than those contemplated by the TSA, including the Applicants' pre-filing obligations.
3. The TSA Charge as proposed does not create a charge on any of the Excluded Assets¹¹ and specifically states:

"..... that Post-Transaction Property shall not include any Excluded Assets, or proceeds of Excluded Assets (as defined in the TSA) on deposit in any Bank Account. Provided further that the Purchaser shall only be entitled to the benefit of the TSA Charge if the Purchaser has satisfied the Monitor that provision has been made to pay or satisfy all current and future financial and indemnity obligations required to be funded by the Purchaser under the terms of the TSA and any additional financial obligations incurred by W&C specifically at the request of the Purchaser."

4. The Monitor believes that it is appropriate that the Court grant the TSA Charge and that the TSA Charge is consistent with the terms of the TSA. It was never the intent of the Transaction that funding by the Purchaser be used to satisfy any of the Applicants' pre-filing liabilities. The Monitor believes that the TSA Charge addresses the Purchaser's concerns and is consistent with the terms and purpose of the Transaction. The Monitor does not believe that the TSA Charge in any way amends the Purchaser's obligations under the TSA or that the TSA Charge is prejudicial to any creditor.

¹¹ As such term is defined in the agreement of purchase and sale dated November 7, 2023 between the Applicants and 7-Eleven, and which effectively means the Applicants' assets that were not purchased by the Purchaser.

5.0 INS News Litigation Schedule

1. Wallace & Carey is owed approximately \$747,878.69 from Dakin News Systems Inc. (“**INS News**”) pursuant to a supply relationship between the parties. To date, INS News has neglected or refused to pay such amount to Wallace & Carey (the “**INS Dispute**”).
2. Pursuant to a written request from counsel to the Applicants, which is attached hereto at **Appendix “E”** and which provides additional background with respect to this matter, the Applicants have requested that the Monitor apply for an Order imposing a litigation schedule on parties with respect to the INS Dispute, the particulars of which are described in the draft form of Order affixed to the Monitor’s notice of application (the “**Litigation Schedule Order**”).
3. The Monitor is supportive of the Litigation Schedule Order, on the basis that:
 - a) the amount of money owing to Wallace & Carey is significant; and
 - b) Wallace & Carey’s efforts to obtain payment from INS News to date, even with the assistance of the Monitor, have not been successful.

6.0 Monitor’s Activities Since the Seventh Report

1. The Monitor’s activities from the commencement of these proceedings to the date of the Seventh Report were summarized in the Seventh Report. Since the date of the Seventh Report, the Monitor has, among other things:
 - a) communicated on a daily basis with the Applicants’ management team and 7-Eleven regarding all aspects of these proceedings, including the Companies’ financial performance, the TSA, the Excluded Assets, and the Applicants’ continued banking arrangements with CIBC;
 - b) worked with the Applicants to develop and implement strategies to realize on the Excluded Assets, including;
 - i. sending letters to and corresponding extensively with vendors and the Applicants in respect of credits owing by vendors to Wallace & Carey as of the Effective Closing Time;
 - ii. sending letters to and/or corresponding with various customers of the

Companies to collect accounts receivable owing as of the Effective Closing Time, including INS News;

- iii. preparing for and attending hearings before the Court of King's Bench of Alberta and the Court of Appeal of Alberta with respect to an application by Wallace & Carey seeking an Order, among other things, to compel the payment of \$497,521.26 by A&M Enterprise Ltd. to Wallace & Carey for purchased but undelivered Freshslice pizza dough. The application was successful, leave to appeal was dismissed, and such funds have been collected (with the exception of costs);
 - iv. monitoring the sale of inventory excluded from the Transaction (the "**Non-7-Eleven Inventory**") and to creating an inventory report (the "**Pre-Closing Inventory Report**") to track the sale of the Non-7-Eleven Inventory following the Effective Closing Time;
 - v. corresponding extensively with the Applicants to consider strategies for selling the Non-7-Eleven Inventory;
 - vi. working extensively with the Applicants to develop an accounts receivable report (the "**Pre-Closing AR Report**") for tracking the collection of receivables outstanding as of the Effective Closing Time, which included performing detailed analysis of the Applicants' daily bank transactions to reconcile same;
 - vii. establishing with the Purchaser a weekly reporting process for updating the Pre-Closing Inventory Report and Pre-Closing AR Report; and
 - viii. assisting Wallace & Carey with the litigation against Freshslice and other parties refusing to pay amounts owing to the Applicants;
- c) monitored the Applicants' receipts and disbursements on a daily basis;
 - d) worked with the Logistics Companies to obtain services and supplies from their vendors;
 - e) dealt with issues related to Tobacco Tax Liabilities, and dealing with certain of the Tobacco Tax Authorities regarding same;
 - f) accounted for proceeds obtained from the Transaction and Excluded Assets and

repaid amounts owing under the waterfall, including to CIBC;

- g) responded to numerous calls and emails from creditors and customers of the Applicants concerning the CCAA Proceedings and the Transaction;
- h) corresponded extensively with the Applicants, the Purchaser and CIBC in respect of Wallace & Carey's daily funding requests;
- i) monitored the Applicants' daily receipts and disbursements;
- j) prepared this Report; and
- k) maintained the Case Website.

7.0 Professional Fees

1. Pursuant to paragraph 31 of the ARIO, the Monitor and its counsel are to be paid their reasonable fees and disbursements at their standard rates and charges.

7.1 Monitor's Fees and Costs

1. The Monitor has maintained detailed records of its professional time and costs. Copies of the invoices issued by the Monitor for the period November 1 to December 31, 2023 (the "**Monitor's Fee Period**") are included in the affidavit of Robert Kofman, a representative of the Monitor, which is attached hereto as **Appendix "F"**. A summary of the Monitor's invoices for the Monitor's Fee Period is provided in the table below.

Invoice Date	Fees (\$)	Disbursements (\$)	GST (\$)	Total (\$)
Dec 15, 2024	213,863.75	355.10	10,710.94	224,929.79
Jan 18, 2024	105,504.25	-	5,275.21	110,779.46
Total	319,368.00	355.10	15,986.15	335,709.25

2. As detailed in the Monitor's Invoices, the Monitor's fees totalled \$319,368, before disbursements and taxes.
3. The Monitor's average hourly rate for the referenced billing period was \$584.60.

4. It is the Monitor's opinion that the fees and disbursements of the Monitor accurately reflect the work done by the Monitor in connection with these proceedings. The Monitor is of the view that the work completed by the Monitor was delegated to the appropriate professionals in the Monitor's organization based on experience, seniority and hourly rates. To the best of the Monitor's knowledge, the Monitor's Fees are consistent with the fees charged by corporate restructuring firms in Alberta with the capacity to handle a file of size and complexity of this matter.

7.2 Cassels' Fees and Costs

1. A summary of Cassels' fees and disbursements is included in the affidavit of Jane Dietrich (the "**Dietrich Affidavit**") attached hereto as **Appendix "G"** for the period November 1 to December 31, 2023. Cassels' invoices are summarized in the table below:

Invoice Date	Fees (\$)	Disbursements (\$)	GST (\$)	Total (\$)
December 5, 2023	142,751.50	312.65	7,146.29	150,210.44
January 22, 2024	14,629.50	0	731.48	15,360.98
January 22, 2024	4,007.00	164.78	208.59	4,380.37
Total	161,388.00	477.43	8,086.36	169,951.79

2. The Monitor seeks approval of Cassels' fees and disbursements in the amount of \$169,951.79 ("**Cassels' Fees**").
3. With respect to Cassels's Fees, the Monitor confirms that:
 - a) it has examined all invoices issued by Cassels in respect thereof;
 - b) the services were duly authorized and rendered; and
 - c) in its opinion, the charges are reasonable.
4. The Monitor is of the view that the hourly rates charged by Cassels are consistent with the rates charged by corporate law firms practicing in the areas of corporate insolvency and restructuring in the Alberta market, and that the overall fees charged by Cassels are reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances.

8.0 Conclusion

1. Based on the foregoing, the Monitor is of the view that the relief requested is reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances and respectfully requests that this Court issue Orders granting the Monitor's requested relief.
2. The Applicants have secured time before the Court of King's Bench on February 23, 2024, at which time they intend to request an extension to the stay of proceedings. The Monitor will provide a further report prior to the hearing of that application.

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All of which is respectfully submitted,

KSV Restructuring Inc.

**KSV RESTRUCTURING INC.,
in its capacity as monitor of
Wallace & Carey Inc., Loudon Bros Limited, and Carey Management Inc.
and not in its personal capacity**