# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 12, 2023

# **MOLEKULE GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **001-41096** (Commission File Number) 45-3213164 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

10455 Riverside Dr. Palm Beach Gardens, FL (Address of principal executive offices)

**33410** (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (833) 652-5326

AeroClean Technologies, Inc.

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

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

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

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

	Trading	
Title of Each Class	Symbol(s)	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	MKUL	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

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

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

#### **Introductory Note**

On January 12, 2023 (the "<u>Closing Date</u>"), the registrant completed the previously announced acquisition of Molekule, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Molekule</u>"), pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of October 3, 2022 (the "<u>Merger Agreement</u>") by and among the registrant, Air King Merger Sub Inc., a Delaware corporation and direct wholly-owned subsidiary of the registrant ("<u>Merger Sub</u>"), and Molekule. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, Merger Sub merged with and into Molekule, with Molekule continuing as the surviving entity and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the registrant (the "<u>Merger</u>"). In connection with the closing of the Merger (the "<u>Closing</u>"), the registrant changed its name from "AeroClean Technologies, Inc." to "Molekule Group, Inc." Unless the context otherwise requires, "we," "us," "our," and the "Company" refer to the combined company following the Merger, together with its subsidiaries, "AeroClean" refers to the registrant prior to the Closing and Molekule Group, Inc. (f/k/a AeroClean Technologies, Inc.) following Closing, and "Molekule" refers to Molekule, Inc. prior to and following the Closing.

The material provisions of the Merger Agreement are described in the section entitled "The Merger Agreement" at pages 121 to 129 of the <u>information</u> <u>statement/prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on December 21, 2022</u> (the "<u>Information Statement/Prospectus</u>"). The description of the Merger Agreement contained in such section of the Information Statement/Prospectus is incorporated by reference herein.

The description of the Merger Agreement and related transactions (including, without limitation, the Merger) in this Current Report on Form 8-K does not purport to be complete and is subject to and qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Merger Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.1 and incorporated herein by reference. Capitalized terms used in this Current Report on Form 8-K and not otherwise defined shall have the meaning set forth in the Merger Agreement.

The Merger Agreement has been incorporated by reference into this Current Report on Form 8-K only to provide investors with information regarding its terms and not to provide investors with any other factual information regarding AeroClean, Molekule or their businesses as of the date of the Merger Agreement or as of any other date. The representations, warranties and covenants set forth in the Merger Agreement have been made only for the purposes of the Merger Agreement and solely for the benefit of the parties thereto, and may be subject to limitations agreed upon by the contracting parties, including being qualified by confidential disclosures made for the purposes of allocating contractual risk between the parties to the Merger Agreement instead of establishing these matters as facts, and may be subject to standards of materiality applicable to the contracting parties that differ from those applicable to investors. Investors are not third-party beneficiaries under the Merger Agreement and should not rely on the representations, warranties and covenants or any descriptions thereof as characterizations of the actual state of facts or condition of the parties thereto or any of their respective subsidiaries or affiliates. In addition, information regarding the subject matter of the representations and warranties made in the Merger Agreement may change after the date of the Merger Agreement.

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

The disclosure set forth in this Current Report on Form 8-K under "Introductory Note" and under Item 2.03 herein is incorporated in this Item 1.01 by reference.

#### Stockholders Agreement

On January 12, 2023, AeroClean entered into a stockholders agreement with certain stockholders of AeroClean and certain stockholders of Molekule (the "<u>Stockholders Agreement</u>"). The Stockholders Agreement provides that such stockholders will take all reasonable actions to nominate Brad Feld and the existing members of AeroClean's board of directors to be members of the board of directors of the Company following the consummation of the Merger (the "<u>Company Board</u>") and until immediately after the Company's 2024 annual meeting of stockholders.

This description of the Stockholders Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the terms and conditions of the Stockholders Agreement, the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement

On January 12, 2023, AeroClean and certain stockholders of AeroClean and Molekule entered into an Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement (the "<u>Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement</u>"). Under the Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement, certain stockholders signatories thereto have certain "demand" and "piggyback" registration rights. The Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement also provides that the Company will pay certain expenses relating to such registrations and indemnify the stockholders signatories thereto against (or make contributions in respect of) certain liabilities that may arise under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

This description of the Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the terms and conditions of the Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement, the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.2 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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

The disclosure set forth in this Current Report on Form 8-K under "Introductory Note" is incorporated in this Item 2.01 by reference.

At the effective time of the Merger (the "Effective Time"), the outstanding shares of Molekule common stock, par value \$0.0001, that were issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the Merger (the "Molekule Common Stock") (including shares of Molekule Common Stock resulting from the conversion of Molekule's eligible preferred stock, but excluding dissenting shares and shares held in treasury), were converted automatically into, and the holders of such shares of Molekule Common Stock were entitled to receive, by virtue of the Merger and upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, 14,907,210 fully paid and nonassessable shares of Company common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Company Common Stock"), that resulted in the Molekule stockholders in the aggregate, after taking into account the Company Common Stock underlying In-the-Money Company Warrants (as defined in the Merger Agreement) and the grants of restricted stock units ("<u>RSUs</u>") by the Company to certain continuing Molekule employees which were deemed vested and outstanding as of immediately following the Effective Time, holding 49.5% of the Outstanding Shares (as defined in the Merger Agreement). Immediately following the Closing, there were 30,427,750 shares of Company Common Stock outstanding, which does not include Company Common Stock that may be issued upon the vesting of RSUs.

At the Effective Time, each in-the-money Molekule warrant, by virtue of the Merger and without further action on the part of the holder thereof, converted into the right to receive, for each share of Molekule Common Stock subject to such in-the-money Molekule warrant (including shares of Molekule Common Stock issuable upon conversion of any Molekule preferred stock issuable upon exercise of any Molekule warrant), a portion of the Merger Consideration equal to the Merger Consideration that would have been payable in respect of such share had such in-the-money Molekule warrant been exercised immediately prior to the Effective Time less the exercise price with respect to such warrant. Each Molekule warrant issued and outstanding as of the Effective Time that was not an in-the-money Molekule warrant was automatically cancelled and terminated for no consideration immediately prior to the Effective Time.

At the Effective Time, each outstanding option to acquire Molekule Common Stock was cancelled and terminated for no consideration. Any shares of Molekule Common Stock that were available for issuance pursuant to Molekule's 2015 stock plan (the "<u>Residual Shares</u>") were converted at the Effective Time into the number of shares of Company Common Stock equal to the product of the number of such Residual Shares and the exchange ratio determined in accordance with the Merger Agreement (the "<u>Assumed Shares</u>"). The Company may issue the Assumed Shares after the Effective Time pursuant to the settlement of any equity awards granted under the Molekule 2015 stock plan, AeroClean's 2021 Incentive Award Plan or any other AeroClean equity plan.

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

The disclosure set forth in this Current Report on Form 8-K under "Introductory Note" and Item 2.01 is incorporated in this Item 2.03 by reference.



Prior to the Effective Date, Molekule was a party to (i) an amended and restated loan and security agreement dated August 29, 2019 (as amended, the "<u>Senior Term Loan</u>") with Silicon Valley Bank ("<u>SVB</u>") and (ii) a mezzanine loan and security agreement dated March 22, 2021 (as amended, the "<u>Mezzanine Term Loan</u>" and, together with the Senior Term Loan, the "<u>Loan Agreements</u>") also with SVB. As of September 30, 2022, an aggregate principal amount of approximately \$34,400,000 was outstanding under the Loan Agreements. SVB consented to the Merger under both Loan Agreements, provided that, as a condition to such consent, AeroClean was required to become a co-borrower under each Loan Agreement at Closing and grants SVB a first priority lien on substantially all of AeroClean's assets, other than certain customary excluded assets. On January 12, 2023, AeroClean executed a joinder agreement, became a co-borrower under each Loan Agreement and granted SVB a first priority lien on substantially all of AeroClean's consent was conditioned upon AeroClean having unrestricted and unencumbered cash of at least \$20,000,000 at the Closing; this condition was satisfied as of the Closing.

The Senior Term Loan provides for a term loan facility of which approximately \$4.4 million was outstanding at September 30, 2022 (the "<u>Term Loan Advances</u>"). The Senior Term Loan has a stated maturity date of April 1, 2026. In addition, the co-borrowers are required to pay a certain deferral fee in the amount of \$380,000, which is payable upon the earlier of (i) April 1, 2026, (ii) termination of the Senior Term Loan, or (iii) the payment in full of the Term Loan Advances. The principal amount outstanding under the Senior Term Loan accrues interest at a floating per annum rate equal to the greater of (i) the Prime Rate plus 1.00% and (ii) 4.25%. The co-borrowers are required to pay interest monthly and repay the principal amount of the Term Loan Advances in 36 equal monthly installments commencing May 1, 2023.

The Mezzanine Term Loan provides for two mezzanine term loans in the aggregate principal amount of \$30,000,000 outstanding as of September 30, 2022, including (i) a tranche of \$15,000,000 with a maturity date of March 1, 2027 (the "Mezzanine Term Loan A Tranche") and (ii) a tranche of \$15,000,000 with a maturity date of March 1, 2028 (the "Mezzanine Term Loan B Tranche"). The co-borrowers are required to pay interest monthly and to repay the Mezzanine Term Loan in monthly installments beginning (i) with respect to the Mezzanine Term Loan A Tranche, April 1, 2024, and (b) with respect to the Mezzanine Term Loan B Tranche, April 1, 2025.

The Loan Agreements are secured by a first priority lien on substantially all of AeroClean's and Molekule's assets (other than certain customary excluded assets) and contains customary events of default and covenants that restrict AeroClean's and Molekule's ability to, among other things, incur additional indebtedness, other than permitted indebtedness, enter into mergers or acquisitions, sell or otherwise dispose of assets, pay dividends, or repurchase stock, subject to customary exceptions.

Each of the Senior Term Loan and the Mezzanine Term Loan contain a financial covenant which, after the Closing, will require the co-borrowers to maintain in the aggregate, at all times, and be tested as of any day, unrestricted and unencumbered cash and cash equivalents of at least \$2,000,000. In addition, the co-borrowers will be required to attain, in the aggregate, a net revenue of (i) \$50,000,000 for the calendar year ending December 31, 2023 and (ii) with respect to future annual periods, net revenue levels reasonably agreed between Molekule and SVB prior to February 28 of each calendar year thereafter.

In addition, Molekule is a party to a master lease agreement with Trinity. As of September 30, 2022, an aggregate amount of approximately \$2,200,000 was owed under this agreement. Trinity has consented to the Merger, so long as AeroClean became a co-lessee under the agreement at and after Closing. On January 12, 2023, AeroClean executed a joinder to the master lease agreement with Trinity.

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

The disclosure set forth in this Current Report on Form 8-K under "Introductory Note," Item 1.01 and Item 2.01 is incorporated in this Item 5.02 by reference.

Pursuant to the terms of the Stockholders Agreement, on January 12, 2023, the Company Board increased the size of the Company Board from seven members to eight members and filled the resulting vacancy on the Company Board by appointing Brad Feld (who was designated by Molekule) as a director of the Company, with a term to expire at the Company's 2023 annual meeting of stockholders or until his successor is elected and qualified or until his earlier resignation or removal. Pursuant to the Stockholders Agreement, certain stockholders of AeroClean and Molekule agreed to take all reasonable actions to nominate Mr. Feld (and the existing members of the AeroClean board of directors) to be members of the board of directors of the Company following the Closing and until immediately after the Company's 2024 annual meeting of stockholders. Mr. Feld has not been appointed to any committees of the Company Board at this time. However, the Company expects that he will be appointed to one or more Board committees in the future.

Except as provided for in the Stockholders Agreement as described above, there are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Feld and any other person pursuant to which Mr. Feld was appointed a director of the Company, and Mr. Feld has no direct or indirect material interest in any transaction required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

Following the Closing, Mr. Feld received a one-time initial grant of 92,000 RSUs. The RSUs vest in three annual installments beginning on January 12, 2023, subject to Mr. Feld's continued service to the Company. In addition, Mr. Feld will be eligible to receive annual equity awards covering Company Common Stock on the same basis as other non-employee directors of the Company. It is expected that Mr. Feld will execute the Company's standard form of indemnification agreement with non-employee directors and officers.

As previously reported in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 4, 2022, effective upon the Closing, the Company Board appointed Jonathan Harris as Chief Marketing & Product Development Officer of the Company and Ritankar "Ronti" Pal as Chief Operating Officer of the Company and each such individual entered into an employment agreement with the Company providing for certain compensation and benefits as described therein. The descriptions of Mr. Harris' and Mr. Pal's employment agreements are set forth on page 112 and 113 of the Information Statement/Prospectus, in the section entitled "Interests of Molekule's Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger," and such information is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 5.02. In addition, the Executive Employment Agreement by and among Jonathan Harris and AeroClean Technologies, Inc., dated October 3, 2022, and the Executive Employment Agreement by and among Ritankar Pal and AeroClean Technologies, Inc., dated October 3, 2022, are filed as Exhibit 10.5 and Exhibit 10.7, respectively, hereto and are incorporated herein by reference. On January 12, 2023, the Company amended Mr. Harris's employment agreement to change his title from Chief Marketing & Product Development Officer to Chief Commercial Officer. The Amendment to the Executive Employment Agreement by and among Jonathan Harris and Molekule Group, Inc., dated January 12, 2023 is filed as Exhibit 10.6 and is incorporated herein by reference. Except as disclosed in the Information Statement/Prospectus under the section entitled "Interests of Molekule's Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger," which is incorporated by reference into this Item 5.02, there are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Harris or Mr. Pal and any other persons pursuant to which Mr. Harris or Mr. Pal was appointed an officer. Neither Mr. Harris nor Mr. Pal have any family relationship with any director or other executive officer of the Company or any person nominated or chosen by the Company to become a director or executive officer. Mr. Harris and Mr. Pal have no direct or indirect material interest in any transaction required to be disclosed pursuant to Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

In addition, as previously reported in the <u>Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 4, 2022</u>, the Company entered into amended and restated employment agreements with each of Jason DiBona and Ryan Tyler, pursuant to which each such executive will continue as the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, respectively, effective as of the Closing (the "<u>Amended and Restated Employment Agreements</u>"). The descriptions of such Amended and Restated Employment Agreements are set forth on page 110 and 111 of the Information Statement/Prospectus, in the section entitled "Interests of AeroClean's Directors and Executive Officers in the Merger," and such information is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 5.02. In addition, the Amended and Restated Employment Agreements are filed as Exhibit 10.3 and Exhibit 10.4, hereto and are incorporated herein by reference.

Each of Mr. Feld's, Mr. Harris' and Mr Pal's ages and biographical information are set forth on page 132 of the Information Statement/Prospectus, in the section entitled "Management of the Combined Company Following the Merger," and such biographical information is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 5.02.

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

The disclosure set forth in this Current Report on Form 8-K under "Introductory Note" and Item 2.01 is incorporated in this Item 5.03 by reference.

On January 12, 2023, in connection with the consummation of the Merger, and subsequent thereto, AeroClean amended its certificate of incorporation to change the name of the Company to "Molekule Group, Inc." and include a provision exculpating the officers of the Company from liability for breaches of fiduciary duty to the extent permitted by Delaware law (the "<u>Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation</u>"). The Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended, are filed as Exhibit 3.1 and Exhibit 3.2, respectively, hereto and are incorporated herein by reference.



On January 12, 2023, the Company Board amended and restated the Company's Bylaws (the "Second Amended and Restated Bylaws") to reflect the change of the Company's name to "Molekule Group, Inc." and include a six-month lockup provision that prohibits the former Molekule stockholders from transferring their Merger Consideration during the six-month period following the Closing. The full text of the Second Amended and Restated Bylaws is filed as Exhibit 3.3 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference. Following the Closing, the Company Common Stock continued to trade on Nasdaq, but is now trading under the ticker symbol "MKUL." The CUSIP number for the Company's Common Stock will not change.

## Item 8.01 Other Information.

On January 12, 2023, the Company issued a press release announcing the Closing and the adoption of the Company's new name. The full text of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

## (a) Financial Statements of Businesses or Funds Acquired.

The consolidated financial statements of Molekule for the years ended December 31, 2021 and 2020 are set forth in the Information Statement/Prospectus beginning on page F-35 and are incorporated herein by reference. The unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of Molekule for the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and 2021 are set forth in the Information Statement/Prospectus beginning on page F-61 and are incorporated herein by reference.

## (b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

The unaudited pro forma condensed combined statements of operations of AeroClean and Molekule for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 and the nine months ended September 30, 2022 and the unaudited pro forma condensed combined balance sheet as of September 30, 2022 are set forth in the Information Statement/Prospectus at pages 75 to 83 and are incorporated herein by reference.

(d) Exhibits.

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
<u>2.1*</u>	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated October 3, 2022 (incorporated by reference Exhibit 2.1 of the Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 4, 2022).
<u>3.1</u>	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of AeroClean Technologies, Inc. dated January 12, 2023.
<u>3.2</u>	Certificate of Amendment of Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, dated January 12, 2023.
<u>3.3</u>	Second Amended and Restated Bylaws of Molekule Group, Inc., dated January 12, 2023.
<u>10.1*</u>	Stockholders Agreement, dated January 12, 2023.
<u>10.2</u>	Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement, dated January 12, 2023.
<u>10.3†*</u>	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement by and among Jason DiBona and AeroClean Technologies, Inc., dated October 3, 2022 (incorporated by reference Exhibit 10.5 of the Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 4, 2022).
<u>10.4†*</u>	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement by and among Ryan Tyler and AeroClean Technologies, Inc., dated October 3, 2022 (incorporated by reference Exhibit 10.6 of the Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 4, 2022).
<u>10.5†*</u>	Executive Employment Agreement by and among Jonathan Harris and AeroClean Technologies, Inc., dated October 3, 2022 (incorporated by reference Exhibit 10.7 of the Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 4, 2022).
<u>10.6†</u>	Amendment to the Executive Employment Agreement by and among Jonathan Harris and Molekule Group, Inc., dated January 12, 2023.
<u>10.7†*</u>	Executive Employment Agreement by and among Ritankar Pal and AeroClean Technologies, Inc., dated October 3, 2022 (incorporated by reference Exhibit 10.8 of the Current Report on Form 8-K filed on October 4, 2022).
<u>23.1</u>	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Independent Accountants for Molekule, Inc.
<u>99.1</u>	Press Release, dated January 12, 2023.
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File - the cover page XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.

#### † Management Compensation Agreement

\* Schedules and exhibits have been omitted pursuant to Item 601(b)(2) of Regulation S-K. The Company hereby undertakes to furnish supplementally copies of any of the omitted schedules and exhibits upon request by the SEC.

## SIGNATURE

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

## MOLEKULE GROUP, INC.

Dated: January 12, 2023

By: /s/ Jason DiBona

Name: Jason DiBona Title: Chief Executive Officer

## AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF AEROCLEAN TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

AeroClean Technologies, Inc. (the "<u>Corporation</u>"), a corporation organized and existing under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "<u>General Corporation Law</u>"), hereby certifies as follows:

- 1. The name of the Corporation is AeroClean Technologies, Inc.
- 2. The original Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation was filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on November 23, 2021 under its current name.
- 3. This Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation was duly adopted by the board of directors (the "<u>Board of Directors</u>") of the Corporation and by the stockholders of the Corporation in accordance with the provisions of Sections 228, 242 and 245 of the General Corporation Law.
- 4. Pursuant to Sections 242 and 245 of the General Corporation Law, the text of the Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:



#### AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF

### **MOLEKULE, INC.**

#### ARTICLE I

#### Name

The name of the corporation is Molekule, Inc. (the "Corporation").

#### ARTICLE II

#### **Registered Office and Registered Agent**

The address of the registered office of the Corporation in the State of Delaware is 850 New Burton Road, Suite 201 in the City of Dover County of Kent, 19904. The name of the registered agent of the Corporation at such address is Cogency Global Inc.

## ARTICLE III

#### **Corporate Purpose**

The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "General Corporation Law").

#### ARTICLE IV

#### **Capital Stock**

(1) The total number of shares of all classes of stock that the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 121,000,000, of which 110,000,000 shall be shares of Common Stock of the Corporation, par value \$0.01 per share ("<u>Common Stock</u>"), and 11,000,000 shall be shares of Preferred Stock, at a par value of \$0.01 per share ("<u>Preferred Stock</u>").

(2) The Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "<u>Board</u>") is hereby expressly authorized to provide, out of the unissued shares of Preferred Stock, for the issuance of one or more series of Preferred Stock and, with respect to each such series, to fix the number of shares constituting such series and the designation of such series, the voting powers, if any, of the shares of such series, and the preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights, if any, and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, of the shares of such series. The powers, preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights of each series of Preferred Stock, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, if any, may differ from those of any and all other series at any time outstanding. The Corporation shall, from time to time and in accordance with applicable law, increase the number of authorized shares of Common Stock if at any time the number of shares of Common Stock remaining unissued and available for issuance shall not be sufficient to permit the conversion of any series of Preferred Stock that, as provided for or fixed pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph (2) of Article IV, is otherwise convertible into Common Stock.

## ARTICLE V

#### **Board of Directors**

(1) The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by, or under the direction of, the Board, which may exercise all such powers of the Corporation and do all such lawful acts and things as are not by law or this Certificate of Incorporation directed or required to be exercised or done by stockholders.

(2) The Bylaws of the Corporation may fix and alter the number of directors and may prescribe the term of office, and from time to time the number of directors may be increased or decreased by amendment of the Bylaws of the Corporation; <u>provided</u> that in no case shall the number of directors be less than three.

(3) Any director or the entire Board may be removed from office only for cause and only by the affirmative vote of at least sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the total voting power of the outstanding shares of the capital stock of the Corporation entitled to vote in any annual election of directors, voting together as a single class.

(4) Vacancies occurring on the Board for any reason, including, without limitation, vacancies occurring as a result of the death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal from office of a director, or the creation of new directorships that increase the number of directors, shall solely be filled by a majority vote of the directors then in office, even if the number of such directors is less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director, or by the written consent of such directors as permitted by the General Corporation Law and as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation, and shall not be filled by the stockholders.

(5) At any meeting of stockholders at which directors are elected, directors shall be elected by a plurality of the voting power of the shares entitled to vote on the election of directors and present in person or by proxy at the meeting. Elections of directors of the Corporation need not be by written ballot, except and to the extent provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

(6) To the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law as it now exists and as it may hereafter be amended, no director of the Corporation shall be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director. For the avoidance of all doubt, notwithstanding any other provision in this Certificate of Incorporation, no amendment to, modification of or repeal of this paragraph (6) shall apply to or have any effect on the liability or alleged liability of any director of the Corporation for or with respect to any acts or omissions of such director occurring prior to such amendment.

(7) Nothing in this Article V shall be deemed to affect or restrict (i) any rights of the holders of any series of Preferred Stock to elect directors as provided for or fixed pursuant to the provisions of Article IV, or (ii) the ability of the Board to provide, pursuant to Article IV, for the preferences and relative, participating, optional or other special rights, if any, and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, of the shares of any series of Preferred Stock, including with regard to those directors, if any, to be elected by the holders of any series of Preferred Stock.

## ARTICLE VI

#### **Interested Directors and Officers**

(1) No contract or transaction between the Corporation and one or more of its directors or officers, or between the Corporation and any other corporation, partnership, association or other organization in which one or more of the Corporation's directors or officers are directors or officers, or have a financial interest, shall be void or voidable solely for this reason, or solely because such director or officer is present at or participates in the meeting of the Board or committee thereof that authorizes the contract or transaction, or solely because his or her vote is counted for such purpose, if (i) the material facts as to his or her relationship or interest and as to the contract or transaction are disclosed or are known to the Board or the committee, and the Board or committee directors be less than a quorum, (ii) the material facts as to his or her relationship or interest and as to the contract or transaction is specifically approved in good faith by vote of the stockholders, or (iii) the contract or transaction as of the time it is authorized, approved or ratified by the Board, a committee thereof or the stockholders.

(2) Common or interested directors may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Board or of a committee which authorizes the contract or transaction.

## ARTICLE VII

#### **Stockholder Action**

(1) The annual meeting of stockholders of the Corporation for the election of directors of the Corporation, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before such meeting, shall be held at such place, date and time as shall be fixed by the Board in its sole and absolute discretion.

(2) Except as otherwise required by law, or as otherwise provided for or fixed pursuant to the provisions of Article IV with regard to the rights of holders of shares of one or more series of Preferred Stock, special meetings of stockholders of the Corporation may only be called by (i) the Board or (ii) the Chairman of the Board of the Corporation or the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation.

(3) Any previously scheduled meeting of the stockholders may be postponed to another date, time or place by resolution of the Board.

(4) Except as otherwise provided for or fixed pursuant to the provisions of Article IV with regard to the rights of holders of shares of one or more series of Preferred Stock, no action that is required or permitted to be taken by the stockholders of the Corporation at any annual or special meeting of stockholders may be effected by written consent of stockholders in lieu of a meeting; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the taking of any action that is required or permitted to be taken by the stockholders may be effected by written consent of stockholders in lieu of a meeting of stockholders may be effected by written consent of stockholders in lieu of a meeting of stockholders may be effected by written consent of stockholders in lieu of a meeting if such action and the taking of such action by written consent of stockholders in lieu of a meeting have each been expressly approved in advance by the Board.

## ARTICLE VIII

#### **Officers' Liability**

To the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law as it now exists and as it may hereafter be amended, no officer of the Corporation shall be personally liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as an officer. For the avoidance of all doubt, notwithstanding any other provision in this Certificate of Incorporation, no amendment to, modification of or repeal of this Article VIII shall apply to or have any effect on the liability or alleged liability of any officer of the Corporation for or with respect to any acts or omissions of such officer occurring prior to such amendment or repeal. Solely for purposes of this Article VIII, "officer" shall have the meaning provided in Section 102(b)(7) of the General Corporation Law as it now exists and as it may hereafter be amended.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### Indemnification and Insurance

(1) Each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is involved (including, without limitation, as a witness) in any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (hereinafter, a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director or officer of the Corporation or, while serving as a director or officer of the Corporation, is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, whether the basis of such proceeding is an alleged action in an official capacity as a director or officer or in another capacity for or at the request of the Corporation, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Corporation to the fullest extent authorized by the General Corporation Law, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment, only to the extent that such amendment permits the Corporation to provide broader indemnification rights than said law permitted the Corporation to provide prior to such amendment), against all expense, liability and loss (including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, excise taxes or penalties, including under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and amounts paid or to be paid in settlement) reasonably incurred or suffered by such person in connection therewith, and such indemnification shall continue as to a person who has ceased to serve in the capacity that initially entitled such person to indemnity hereunder and shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and administrators; provided, however, that, except as provided in paragraph (2) of this Article IX with respect to proceedings seeking to enforce rights to indemnification hereunder, the Corporation shall indemnify any such person seeking indemnification in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such person only if such proceeding (or part thereof) was specifically authorized by the Board. The right to indemnification conferred in this Article IX shall be a contract right that vests upon a person becoming a director or officer of the Corporation or upon a person serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, and shall include the right to be paid by the Corporation the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition; provided, however, that, if the General Corporation Law requires, the payment of such expenses incurred by a director or officer of the Corporation in his or her capacity as a director or officer of the Corporation (and not in any other capacity in which service was or is rendered by such person while a director or officer, including, without limitation, service to an employee benefit plan) in advance of the final disposition of a proceeding, shall be made only upon delivery to the Corporation of an undertaking, by or on behalf of such director or officer, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined that such director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified under this Article IX or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, subsequent to an indictment of, or the filing of a civil complaint by a U.S. federal or state governmental enforcement agency against, a director or officer of the Corporation (in any capacity, including as an employee or agent of another enterprise and service to an employee benefit plan) entitled to or receiving advancement of expenses, the Corporation may, subject to applicable law (including to the extent indemnification is required under Section 145(c) of the General Corporation Law), terminate, reduce or place conditions upon any future advancement of expenses (including with respect to costs, charges, attorneys' fees, experts' fees and other fees) incurred by such director or officer relating to his or her defense thereof if (i) such director or officer does not prevail at trial, enters into a plea arrangement, agrees to the entry of a final administrative or judicial order imposing sanctions on such director or officer or otherwise admits, in a legal proceeding, to the alleged violation resulting in the relevant indictment or complaint, or (ii) if the Corporation initiates an internal investigation and a determination is made (x) by the disinterested directors, even though less than a quorum, or (y) if there are no disinterested directors or the disinterested directors so direct, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion, that the facts known to the decision-maker at the time such determination is made demonstrate that such director or officer acted in a manner that is not indemnifiable by the Corporation. Any future indemnification or similar agreement entered into by the Corporation with any director or officer of the Corporation and that addresses the advancement of expenses shall contain restrictions substantially similar to the immediately preceding sentence.

(2) If a claim under paragraph (1) of this Article IX is not paid in full by the Corporation within ninety (90) days after a written claim has been received by the Corporation, the claimant may, at any time thereafter, bring suit against the Corporation to recover the unpaid amount of the claim and, if successful in whole or in part, the claimant shall also be entitled to be paid the expense of prosecuting such claim. It shall be a defense to any such action that the claimant has not met the standards of conduct that make it permissible under the General Corporation Law for the Corporation to indemnify the claimant for the amount claimed or, in the case of a claim regarding advancement of expenses, the Corporation has terminated, reduced or placed conditions upon advancement of expenses in accordance with paragraph (1) of this Article IX, but in each case, the burden of proving such defense shall be on the Corporation. Neither the failure of the Corporation (including the Board, a committee thereof, independent legal counsel or its stockholders) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of such action that indemnification of the claimant is proper in the circumstances because he or she has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the General Corporation Law, nor an actual determination by the Corporation (including the Board, a committee thereof, independent legal counsel or its stockholders) that the claimant has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that the claimant has not met the applicable standard of conduct, shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that the claimant has not met the applicable standard of conduct, shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that the claimant has not met the applicable standard of conduct.

(3) The right to indemnification and the advancement and payment of expenses conferred in this Article IX shall not be exclusive of any other right that any person may have or hereafter acquire under any law (common or statutory), provision of the Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation, other bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

(4) If this Article IX or any portion hereof shall be invalidated on any ground by any court of competent jurisdiction, then the Corporation shall nevertheless indemnify and hold harmless each director or officer of the Corporation as to costs, charges and expenses (including attorneys' fees, experts' fees and other fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement with respect to any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, to the full extent permitted by any applicable portion of this Article IX that shall not have been invalidated and to the full extent permitted by applicable law.

(5) For the avoidance of all doubt, notwithstanding any other provision in this Certificate of Incorporation, no amendment to, modification of or repeal of any provision of this Article IX shall apply to or have any effect on the liability or alleged liability, or any right to indemnification or to advancement of expenses, of any director or officer of the Corporation for or with respect to any acts or omissions of such director or officer occurring prior to such amendment, except as otherwise consented to in writing by such director or officer.

(6) The Board may, or may authorize one or more officers to, provide for the indemnification or advancement of expenses by the Corporation to any current or former employee or agent of the Corporation or any of the Corporation's subsidiaries who would not otherwise have a right to indemnification or advancement of expenses pursuant to this Article IX and was or is made a party to or is threatened to be made a party to or is otherwise involved or threatened to be involved (including, without limitation, as a witness) in any proceeding, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was such an employee or agent or, while serving as an employee or agent, he or she is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or a partnership, joint venture, trust, nonprofit entity or other enterprise, including service with respect to an employee benefit plan, of such scope and effect and subject to such terms as determined by the Board or such officer or officers, in each case, as and to the extent permitted by applicable law.

(7) The Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of itself and any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity, or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability under Section 145 of the General Corporation Law.

## ARTICLE X

#### **Bylaws**

In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by the General Corporation Law, the Board shall expressly have the power to adopt, amend or repeal the Bylaws of the Corporation. Any adoption, amendment or repeal of the Bylaws of the Corporation by the Board shall require the approval of a majority of the entire Board. The stockholders shall also have the power to adopt, amend or repeal the Bylaws of the Corporation, <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, in addition to any vote of the holders of any class or series of stock of the Corporation required by law or by this Certificate of Incorporation, the affirmative vote of at least sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the voting power of the then-outstanding voting stock of the Corporation, voting together as a single class, shall be required for the stockholders of the Corporation to amend, repeal or adopt any provision of the Bylaws of the Corporation.

## ARTICLE XI

#### Amendment

(1) The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provisions contained in this Certificate of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by law, and all the provisions of this Certificate of Incorporation and, except as expressly provided otherwise in this Certificate of Incorporation, all rights conferred on stockholders, directors, officers, employees or agents of the Corporation in this Certificate of Incorporation are subject to this reserved power.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Certificate of Incorporation to the contrary, and in addition to any affirmative vote of the holders of any particular class of stock of the Corporation required by applicable law or this Certificate of Incorporation, the affirmative vote of at least sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the voting power of the then-outstanding voting stock of the Corporation, voting together as a single class, shall be required for the stockholders of the Corporation to amend, repeal or adopt any provisions of this Certificate of Incorporation inconsistent with Article V, paragraphs (2) and (4) of Article VII or this Article XI of this Certificate of Incorporation.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused this Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to be executed by its Chief Executive Officer this 12th day of January, 2023.

By: /s/ Jason DiBona

Name: Jason DiBona Title: Chief Executive Officer

#### CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF MOLEKULE, INC.

MOLEKULE, INC., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "*DGCL*"), does hereby certify:

ONE: The name of the corporation is Molekule, Inc. (the "Corporation").

**TWO**: The Corporation's original Certificate of Incorporation was filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on November 23, 2021, and its Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation was filed with the Delaware Secretary of State on January 12, 2023 (as amended and currently in effect, the "*Existing Certificate*").

**THREE**: The Corporation's Board of Directors, acting in accordance with the provisions of Section 242 of the DGCL and Article XI Section 1 of the Existing Certificate, adopted resolutions approving the following amendment to the Company's Existing Certificate:

Article I of the Corporation's Existing Certificate is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

"The name of the corporation is Molekule Group, Inc. (the "Corporation")."

FOUR: All other provisions of the Existing Certificate will remain in full force and effect.

FIVE: This Certificate of Amendment has been duly adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 242 of the DGCL.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Certificate of Amendment to Certificate of Incorporation has been executed by a duly authorized officer of the Corporation on January 12, 2023.

#### MOLEKULE, INC.

By: /s/ Ryan Tyler

Name: Ryan Tyler Title: Chief Financial Officer AMENDED & RESTATED BYLAWS OF MOLEKULE GROUP, INC. **Table of Contents** 

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#### AMENDED & RESTATED BYLAWS OF MOLEKULE GROUP, INC.

## ARTICLE I OFFICES

Section 1.01. <u>Offices</u>. In addition to its registered office in the State of Delaware, Molekule Group, Inc. (the "<u>Corporation</u>") may also have an office or offices at any other place or places within or without the State of Delaware as the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the "<u>Board</u>") may from time to time determine or the business of the Corporation may from time to time require.

## ARTICLE II MEETINGS OF STOCKHOLDERS

Section 2.01. <u>Annual Meetings</u>. The annual meeting of stockholders of the Corporation for the election of directors of the Corporation, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before such meeting, shall be held at such place, date and time as shall be fixed by the Board pursuant to the Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation (the "<u>Certificate of Incorporation</u>") and designated in the notice or waiver of notice of such annual meeting.

Section 2.02. <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of stockholders for any purpose or purposes may be called by the Board or the Chairman of the Board of the Corporation (the "<u>Chairman</u>") or the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation (the "<u>Chief Executive Officer</u>"), to be held at such place, date and time as shall be designated in the notice or waiver of notice thereof.

Section 2.03. <u>Notice of Meetings</u>. Except as otherwise provided by law, written notice of each annual or special meeting of stockholders stating the place, date and time of such meeting and, in the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which such meeting is to be held, shall be given personally, by internationally recognized overnight courier service, or by first-class mail (airmail in the case of international communications) to each recordholder of shares entitled to vote thereat, no less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of such meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be given when deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, directed to the stockholder at such stockholder's address as it appears in the records of the Corporation. If sent by internationally recognized courier service, such notice shall be deemed to be given when deposited with such courier service, carriage and delivery prepaid, directed to the stockholder at such stockholder's address as it appears in the records of the time of mailing, the Secretary shall have received from any stockholder a written request that notices intended for such stockholder are to be mailed to some address other than the address that appears in the records of the Corporation, notices intended for such stockholder shall be mailed to the address designated in such request.

Section 2.04. <u>Waiver of Notice</u>. Notice of any annual or special meeting of stockholders need not be given to any stockholder who files a written waiver of notice with the Secretary, signed by the person entitled to notice, whether before or after such meeting. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any meeting of stockholders need be specified in any written waiver of notice thereof. Attendance of a stockholder at a meeting, in person or by proxy, shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except when such stockholder attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business on the grounds that the notice of such meeting was inadequate or improperly given.

Section 2.05. <u>Postponements and Adjournments</u>. Whenever an annual or special meeting of stockholders is postponed to another date, time or place by the Board, notice need not be given of the postponed meeting if a public announcement of such postponement is made prior to the original date of the meeting. Whenever an annual or special meeting of stockholders is adjourned to another date, time or place, notice need not be given of the adjourned meeting at which the adjournment is taken. If the postponement or adjournment is for more than thirty (30) days, or if after the postponement or adjournment a new record date is fixed for the postponed or adjourned meeting, a notice of the postponed or adjourned meeting shall be given to each stockholder entitled to vote thereat. At any postponed or adjourned meeting, any business may be transacted that might have been transacted at the original meeting.



Section 2.06. <u>Quorum</u>. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws, the recordholders of a majority of the shares entitled to vote thereat, present in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of stockholders, whether annual or special. If, however, such quorum shall not be present in person or by proxy at any meeting of stockholders, the chairman of the meeting or the stockholders present and entitled to vote thereat may, by the vote of the recordholders of a majority of the shares held by such present stockholders, adjourn the meeting from time to time in accordance with Section 2.05 hereof until a quorum shall be present in person or by proxy.

Section 2.07. <u>Voting</u>. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws, each stockholder entitled to vote at any meeting of stockholders shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock held by such stockholder that has voting power upon the matter in question, and any question brought before any such meeting shall be determined by the affirmative vote of the recordholders of a majority in voting power of the shares present in person or by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote on such question.

Section 2.08. <u>Proxies</u>. Each stockholder entitled to vote at a meeting of stockholders may authorize another person or persons to act for such stockholder by proxy. Such proxy shall be filed with the Secretary before such meeting of stockholders, at such time as the Board may require. No proxy shall be voted or acted upon more than three (3) years from its date, unless the proxy provides for a longer period.

Section 2.09. <u>Nominations and Proposals</u>. (a) At any annual meeting of the stockholders, only such nominations of persons for election to the Board and such other business shall be conducted as shall have been properly brought before the meeting.

(b) Only such business shall be conducted at a special meeting of stockholders as shall have been brought before the meeting pursuant to the Corporation's notice of meeting.

(c) To be properly brought before an annual meeting of stockholders, nominations or such other business must be: (i) specified in the notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto) given by or at the direction of the Board or any committee thereof, (ii) otherwise properly brought before the meeting by or at the direction of the Board or any committee thereof, or (iii) otherwise properly brought before the meeting by a stockholder who is a stockholder of record of the Corporation at the time notice of such meeting is given, who is entitled to vote at the meeting and who complies with the notice procedures set forth in this Section 2.09. In addition, any proposal of business (other than the nomination of persons for election to the Board) must be a proper matter for stockholder action.

(d) For business (including, but not limited to, director nominations) to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a stockholder, the stockholder or stockholders of record intending to propose the business (the "<u>Proposing Stockholder</u>") must have given timely and proper notice thereof, in full compliance with this Section 2.09, in writing to the Secretary.

(e) To be timely, a Proposing Stockholder's notice of nominations or other business to be brought before an annual meeting must be delivered to or mailed and received by the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation:

(i) With regard to notice of nominations or other business proposed to be brought before an annual meeting of stockholders to be held on a day that is not more than thirty (30) days in advance of the anniversary of the previous year's annual meeting nor later than seventy (70) days after the anniversary of the previous year's annual meeting, not later than the close of business on the ninetieth (90th) day, nor earlier than the close of business on the one hundred and twentieth (120th) day, in advance of the anniversary of the previous year's annual meeting;

(ii) With regard to notice of nominations or other business proposed to be brought before any other annual meeting of stockholders, by the close of business on the tenth (10th) day following the public announcement of the date of such meeting.

In no event shall the public announcement of an adjournment or postponement of a meeting of stockholders commence a new notice time period (or extend any notice time period).

(f) To be proper, a Proposing Stockholder's notice must include:

(i) as to each person whom the stockholder proposes to nominate for election as a director (A) all information relating to such person that is required to be disclosed in solicitations of proxies for election of directors in an election contest, or is otherwise required, in each case pursuant to and in accordance with Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "<u>Exchange Act</u>"), and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, (B) such person's written consent to being named in the proxy statement as a nominee and to serve as a director if elected and (C) the information, written representation and agreement required to be delivered pursuant to Section 2.10;

(ii) as to any other business that the stockholder proposes to bring before the meeting, a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the meeting, the text of the proposal or business (including the text of any resolutions proposed for consideration and, in the event that such business includes a proposal to amend these Bylaws, the language of the proposed amendment), the reasons for conducting such business at the meeting and any material interest in such business of such stockholder and the beneficial owner, if any, on whose behalf the proposal is made; and

(iii) as to the stockholder giving the notice and the beneficial owner, if any, on whose behalf the nomination or proposal is made:

(A) the name and address of such stockholder, as they appear on the Corporation's books, and of (1) such beneficial owner (if any) and (2) each Associated Person (as defined below) of each such stockholder and such beneficial owner;

(B) the class or series and number of shares of capital stock of the Corporation that are, directly or indirectly, owned beneficially and of record by such stockholder and/or such beneficial owner, or by any Associated Person thereof;

(C) a description of any agreement, arrangement or understanding with respect to the nomination or proposal between or among such stockholder and/or such beneficial owner, any of their respective affiliates or associates, and any others acting in concert with any of the foregoing;

(D) a description of any option, warrant, convertible security, stock appreciation right or similar right with an exercise or conversion privilege or a settlement payment or mechanism at a price related to any class or series of shares of the Corporation or with a value derived in whole or in part from the value of any class or series of shares of the Corporation, whether or not such instrument or right shall be subject to settlement in the underlying class or series of capital stock of the Corporation or otherwise, and any other direct or indirect opportunity to profit or share in any profit derived from any increase or decrease in the value of shares of the Corporation (each of the foregoing, a "Derivative Instrument"), directly or indirectly owned or held beneficially by such stockholder, such beneficial owner and/or any Associated Person thereof;

(E) a description of any proxy, contract, arrangement, understanding or relationship pursuant to which such stockholder and/or such beneficial owner, and any Associated Person thereof, has a right to vote any shares of any security of the Corporation;

(F) a description of any short interest in any security of the Corporation held by such stockholder and/or such beneficial owner and any Associated Person thereof (for purposes of this Section 2.09(f), a person shall be deemed to have a short interest in a security if such person directly or indirectly, through any contract, arrangement, understanding, relationship or otherwise, has the opportunity to profit or share in any profit derived from any decrease in the value of the subject security);

(G) a description of any rights to dividends on the shares of the Corporation owned beneficially by such stockholder and/or such beneficial owner, and any Associated Person thereof, that are separated or separable from the underlying shares of the Corporation;

(H) a description of any proportionate interest in shares of the Corporation or Derivative Instruments held, directly or indirectly, by a general or limited partnership or limited liability company in which such stockholder and/or such beneficial owner, and any Associated Person thereof, is a general partner or manager or, directly or indirectly, beneficially owns an interest in such general partner or manager;

(I) a description of any performance-related fees (other than an asset-based fee) that such stockholder and/or such beneficial owner, and any Associated Person thereof, is entitled to based on any increase or decrease in the value of shares of the Corporation or Derivative Instruments, if any, as of the date of such notice;

(J) a representation that the stockholder is a holder of record of stock of the Corporation entitled to vote at such meeting and intends to appear in person or by proxy at the meeting to propose such business or nomination;

(K) a representation as to whether the stockholder or the beneficial owner, if any, is or will be part of a group that intends (1) to deliver a proxy statement and/or form of proxy to holders of at least the percentage of the Corporation's outstanding capital stock required to approve or adopt the proposal or elect the nominee and/or (2) otherwise to solicit proxies from stockholders in support of such proposal or nomination; and

(L) any other information relating to such stockholder and beneficial owner, if any, required to be disclosed in a proxy statement or other filings required to be made in connection with solicitations of proxies for, as applicable, the proposal and/or for the election of directors in an election contest pursuant to and in accordance with Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

With regard to the information required by items (B)-(I) of this Section 2.09(f)(iii), such information shall include, without limitation, any such information with regard to any members of such stockholder's immediate family sharing the same household. The information required by this Section 2.09(f) shall be supplemented by such stockholder and beneficial owner, if any, not later than ten (10) days after the record date for the meeting to disclose such information as of the record date.

For the purposes of this Section 2.09(f), an "<u>Associated Person</u>" of any stockholder or beneficial owner means (1) any affiliate or person acting in concert with such stockholder or beneficial owner in relation to the nomination or proposal and (2) each director, officer, employee, general partner or manager of such stockholder or beneficial owner or any such affiliate or person with which such stockholder or beneficial owner is acting in concert in relation to the nomination or proposal.

(g) The foregoing notice requirements of Section 2.09(f) shall be deemed satisfied by a stockholder with respect to business other than a nomination if the stockholder has notified the Corporation of his, her or its intention to present a proposal at an annual meeting in compliance with the applicable rules and regulations promulgated under Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act and such stockholder's proposal has been included in a proxy statement that has been prepared by the Corporation to solicit proxies for such annual meeting.

(h) In addition to the information required by the provisions of this Section 2.09 and the information, written representation and agreement required to be delivered pursuant to Section 2.10, the Corporation may require any proposed nominee to furnish such other information as it may reasonably require to determine the eligibility of such proposed nominee to serve as a director of the Corporation.

(i) Notwithstanding anything in these Bylaws to the contrary: (i) no nominations shall be made and no business shall be conducted at any meeting of stockholders except in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 2.09; and (ii) unless otherwise required by law, if the Proposing Stockholder does not provide the information required under this Section 2.09 to the Corporation (or any such information provided should be found to be materially inaccurate) or the Proposing Stockholder (or a qualified representative of the Proposing Stockholder) does not appear at the meeting to present the proposed business or nominations, such business or nominations shall not be considered, notwithstanding that proxies in respect of such business or nominations may have been received by the Corporation. For purposes of this Section 2.09, to be considered a qualified representative of the stockholder, a person must be a duly authorized officer, manager or partner of such stockholder or must be authorized by a writing executed by such stockholder or an electronic transmission delivered by such stockholder to act for such stockholder as proxy at the meeting of stockholders.

(j) Except as otherwise provided by law, the chairman of any meeting of stockholders shall have the power and duty (i) to determine whether a nomination or any business proposed to be brought before the meeting was made or proposed, as the case may be, in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Section 2.09 and (ii) if any proposed nomination or business was not made or proposed in compliance with this Section 2.09, to declare that such nomination shall be disregarded or that such proposed business shall not be transacted.

(k) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 2.09, a stockholder shall also comply with all applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder with respect to the matters set forth in this Section 2.09; provided, however, that any references in these Bylaws to the Exchange Act or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder are not intended to and shall not limit any requirements applicable to nominations or proposals as to any other business to be considered pursuant to this Section 2.09, and compliance with the provisions of this Section 2.09 shall be the exclusive means for a stockholder to make nominations or submit other business (other than matters brought properly under and in compliance with Rule 14a-8 of the Exchange Act, as may be amended from time to time). Nothing in this Section 2.09 shall be deemed to affect any rights (i) of stockholders to request inclusion of proposals in the Corporation's proxy statement pursuant to applicable rules and regulations promulgated under the Exchange Act or (ii) of the holders of any series of preferred stock to elect directors as provided for or fixed pursuant to any applicable provision of the Certificate of Incorporation.

Section 2.10. <u>Submission of Questionnaire, Representation and Agreement</u>. To be eligible to be a nominee for election or reelection as a director of the Corporation, a person must deliver (in accordance with the time periods prescribed for delivery of notice under the applicable sections of Section 2.09 above) to the Secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation a written and signed questionnaire (in the form customarily used by the Corporation for its directors) with respect to the background and qualification of such person and the background of any other person or entity on whose behalf the nomination is being made (which questionnaire shall be provided by the Secretary upon written request) and a written representation and agreement (in the form provided by the Secretary upon written request) that such person:

(a) is not and will not become a party to (i) any agreement, arrangement or understanding with, and has not given any commitment or assurance to, any person or entity as to how such person, if elected as a director of the Corporation, will act or vote on any issue or question (a "Voting <u>Commitment</u>"), except as has been disclosed to the Board, or (ii) any Voting Commitment that could limit or interfere with such persons' ability to comply, if elected as a director of the Corporation, with such persons' ability to comply, if elected as a director of the Corporation, with such person's fiduciary duties under applicable law;

(b) is not and will not become a party to any agreement, arrangement or understanding with any person or entity other than the Corporation with respect to any direct or indirect compensation, reimbursement or indemnification in connection with service or action as a director of the Corporation, except as has been disclosed to the Board;

(c) is not and will not become a party to any agreement, arrangement or understanding with any person or entity with respect to any direct or indirect compensation, reimbursement or indemnification in connection with service or action as a director of any public company (other than the Corporation), except as has been disclosed to the Board;

(d) in such person's individual capacity and on behalf of any person or entity on whose behalf the nomination is being made, would be in compliance, if elected as a director of the Corporation, and will comply with all applicable corporate governance, conflict of interest, confidentiality and stock ownership and trading policies and guidelines of the Corporation;

(e) is not and will not serve as a director on the boards of more than two (2) other public companies, unless the Board has determined in advance that such simultaneous service will not impair his or her ability to effectively serve on the Board; and

(f) will promptly tender his or her resignation to the Board in the event that, at any time he or she is serving as a director of the Corporation, (i) any of the above representations are found by the Board to have been false at the time such representation was made or (ii) any of the above representations are found by the Board to have become false thereafter.

#### ARTICLE III BOARD

Section 3.01. <u>General</u>. The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by the Board, which may exercise all such powers of the Corporation and do all such lawful acts and things as are not by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws directed or required to be exercised or done by stockholders. Directors need not be stockholders of the Corporation.

Section 3.02. <u>Number</u>. The total number of directors shall be not less than three (3) nor more than nine (9), as such shall be fixed within these limits from time to time by the Board.

Section 3.03. <u>Resignation</u>. Any director may resign at any time by delivering his written resignation to the Board, the Chairman or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified in such notice or, if the time be not specified, upon receipt thereof by the Board, the Chairman or the Secretary, as the case may be.

Section 3.04. <u>Meetings</u>. (a) <u>Annual Meetings</u>. As soon as practicable after each annual election of directors by the stockholders, the Board shall meet for the purpose of organization and the transaction of other business, unless it shall have transacted all such business by written consent pursuant to Section 3.06 hereof.

(b) <u>Other Meetings</u>. Other meetings of the Board shall be held at such times as the Chairman, the Secretary or a majority of the Board shall from time to time determine.

(c) <u>Notice of Meetings</u>. The Secretary shall give written notice to each director of each meeting of the Board, which notice shall state the place, date, time and purpose of such meeting. Notice of each such meeting shall be given to each director, if by mail, addressed to him or her at his or her residence or usual place of business, at least three (3) days before the day on which such meeting is to be held, or shall be sent to him or her at such place by telecopy, facsimile, electronic mail or other form of recorded communication, or be delivered personally or by an internationally recognized courier service or by telephone, not later than the day before the day on which such meeting is to be held. A written waiver of notice, signed by the director entitled to notice, whether before or after the time of the meeting referred to in such waiver, shall be deemed equivalent to notice. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any meeting of the Board need be specified in any written waiver of notice thereof. Attendance of a director at a meeting of the Board shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except as provided by law.

(d) <u>Place of Meetings</u>. The Board may hold its meetings at such place or places within or without the State of Delaware as the Board or the Chairman may from time to time determine, or as shall be designated in the respective notices or waivers of notice of such meetings.

(e) <u>Quorum and Manner of Acting</u>. A majority of the total number of directors then in office shall be present in person at any meeting of the Board in order to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at such meeting, and the vote of a majority of those directors present at any such meeting at which a quorum is present shall be necessary for the passage of any resolution or act of the Board, except as otherwise expressly required by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws. In the absence of a quorum for any such meeting, a majority of the directors present thereat may adjourn such meeting from time to time until a quorum shall be present.

(f) <u>Organization</u>. At each meeting of the Board, one of the following shall act as chairman of the meeting and preside, in the following order of precedence:

(1) the Chairman;

(2) the Chief Executive Officer;

(3) any director chosen by a majority of the directors present.

The Secretary or, in the case of the Secretary's absence, any person (who shall be an Assistant Secretary (as defined below), if an Assistant Secretary is present) whom the chairman of the meeting shall appoint shall act as secretary of such meeting and keep the minutes thereof.

Section 3.05. Committees of the Board may, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole Board, designate one or more committees, each committee to consist of one or more directors. The Board may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any committee, who may replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of such committee. In the absence or disqualification of a member of a committee, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not such member or members constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another director to act at the meeting in the place of any such absent or disqualified member; provided, however, that any director so appointed must be found by such committee to meet the qualifications, if any, for service on such committee, including any requirement of independence. Any committee of the Board, to the extent provided in the resolution of the Board designating such committee, shall have and may exercise all the powers and authority of the Board in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation and may authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers that may require it; provided, however, that no such committee shall have such power or authority in reference to amending the Certificate of Incorporation (except that such a committee may, to the extent authorized in the resolution or resolutions providing for the issuance of shares of stock adopted by the Board, as provided in Section 151(a) of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "General Corporation Law"), fix the designations and any of the preferences or rights of such shares relating to dividends, redemption, dissolution, any distribution of assets of the Corporation or the conversion into, or the exchange of such shares for, shares of any other class or classes of stock of the Corporation or fix the number of shares of any series of stock or authorize the increase or decrease of the shares of any series), adopting an agreement of merger or consolidation under Sections 251, 252, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 263 or 264 of the General Corporation Law, recommending to the stockholders the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all the Corporation's property and assets, recommending to the stockholders a dissolution of the Corporation or the revocation of a dissolution or amending these Bylaws; provided further, however, that, unless expressly so provided in the resolution of the Board designating such committee, no such committee shall have the power or authority to declare a dividend, to authorize the issuance of stock or to adopt a certificate of ownership and merger pursuant to Section 253 of the General Corporation Law. Each committee of the Board shall keep regular minutes of its proceedings and report the same to the Board when so requested by the Board.



Section 3.06. <u>Directors' Consent in Lieu of Meeting</u>. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board or of any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, if a consent in writing or by electronic transmission, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all the members of the Board or such committee and such consent or electronic transmission is filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board or such committee. Such filing shall be in paper form if the minutes are maintained in paper form and shall be in electronic form if the minutes are maintained in electronic form.

Section 3.07. <u>Action by Means of Telephone or Similar Communications Equipment</u>. Any one or more members of the Board, or of any committee thereof, may participate in a meeting of the Board or such committee by means of conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and participation in a meeting by such means shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

Section 3.08. <u>Compensation</u>. Unless otherwise restricted by the Certificate of Incorporation, the Board may determine the compensation of directors. In addition, as determined by the Board, directors may be reimbursed by the Corporation for their expenses, if any, in the performance of their duties as directors. No such compensation or reimbursement shall preclude any director from serving the Corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefor.

## ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 4.01. <u>Officers</u>. The officers of the Corporation shall be chosen by the Board and may include the Chief Executive Officer, a president (the "President"), a chief financial officer (the "Chief Financial Officer"), a secretary (the "Secretary") and a treasurer (the "Treasurer"). Officers of the Corporation may include one or more Vice Presidents, one or more Assistant Secretaries, one or more Assistant Treasurers (each as defined below) and such other officers as the Board may establish. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person.

Section 4.02. <u>Authority and Duties</u>. All officers shall have such authority and perform such duties in the management of the Corporation as may be provided in these Bylaws or, to the extent not so provided, by resolution of the Board.

Section 4.03. <u>Term of Office, Resignation and Removal</u>. (a) Each officer shall be appointed by the Board and shall hold office for such term as may be determined by the Board. Each officer shall hold office until such officer's successor has been appointed and qualified or such officer's earlier death or resignation or removal in the manner hereinafter provided. The Board may require any officer to give security for the faithful performance of such officer's duties.

(b) Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board, the Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified in such notice or, if the time be not specified, upon receipt thereof by the Board, the Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer or the Secretary, as the case may be.

(c) All officers and agents appointed by the Board shall be subject to removal, with or without cause, at any time by the Board.

Section 4.04. <u>Vacancies</u>. Any vacancy occurring in any office of the Corporation, for any reason, shall be filled by action of the Board. Unless earlier removed pursuant to Section 4.03 hereof, any officer appointed by the Board to fill any such vacancy shall serve only until such time as the unexpired term of such officer's predecessor expires unless reappointed by the Board.

Section 4.05. <u>The Chairman</u>. The Chairman shall have the power to call special meetings of stockholders, to call special meetings of the Board and, if present, to preside at all meetings of stockholders and all meetings of the Board. The Chairman shall perform all duties incident to the office of Chairman of the Board and all such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to the Chairman by the Board or these Bylaws.

Section 4.06. <u>The Chief Executive Officer</u>. The Chief Executive Officer shall have general and active management and control of the business and affairs of the Corporation, subject to the control of the Board, and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board are carried into effect. The Chief Executive Officer shall perform all duties incident to the office of the Chief Executive Officer and all such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to the Chief Executive Officer by the Board or these Bylaws.

Section 4.07. <u>The President</u>. The President, subject to the authority of the Chief Executive Officer, shall have primary responsibility for, and authority with respect to, the management of the day-to-day business affairs of the Corporation, to the extent prescribed by the Chief Executive Officer. The President shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and all such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to the President by the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or these Bylaws.

Section 4.08. <u>Vice Presidents</u>. Vice Presidents of the Corporation ("<u>Vice Presidents</u>"), if any, in order of their seniority or in any other order determined by the Board, shall generally assist the President and perform such other duties as the Board, the Chief Executive Officer or the President shall prescribe and, in the absence or disability of the President, shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President.

Section 4.09. The Secretary. The Secretary of the Corporation shall, to the extent practicable, attend all meetings of the Board and all meetings of stockholders and shall record all votes and the minutes of all proceedings in a book to be kept for that purpose and shall perform the same duties for any committee of the Board when so requested by such committee. The Secretary shall give or cause to be given notice of all meetings of stockholders and of the Board, shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board, the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer and shall act under the supervision of the Chairman. The Secretary shall keep in safe custody the seal of the Corporation and affix the same to any instrument that requires that the seal be affixed to it and which shall have been duly authorized for signature in the name of the Corporation, and when so affixed, the seal shall be attested by the Secretary shall keep in safe custody the corporation or an Assistant Secretary or Assistant Treasurer of the Corporation. The Secretary shall keep in safe custody the certificate books and stockholder records and such other books and records of the Corporation as the Board, the Chairman or the Chief Executive Officer may direct and shall perform all other duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to the Secretary by the Board, the Chairman or the Chief Executive Officer.

Section 4.10. <u>Assistant Secretaries</u>. Assistant Secretaries of the Corporation ("<u>Assistant Secretaries</u>"), if any, in order of their seniority or in any other order determined by the Board, shall generally assist the Secretary and perform such other duties as the Board or the Secretary shall prescribe and, in the absence or disability of the Secretary, shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Secretary.

Section 4.11. <u>Chief Financial Officer</u>. The Chief Financial Officer shall be the principal financial officer of the Corporation and shall have such powers and perform such duties as may be assigned by the Board, the Chairman or the Chief Executive Officer.

Section 4.12. <u>The Treasurer</u>. The Treasurer shall have the care and custody of all the funds of the Corporation and shall deposit such funds in such banks or other depositories as the Board, or any officer or officers, or any officer and agent jointly, duly authorized by the Board, shall, from time to time, direct or approve. The Treasurer shall disburse the funds of the Corporation under the direction of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer. The Treasurer shall keep a full and accurate account of all moneys received and paid on account of the Corporation and shall render a statement of the Treasurer's accounts whenever the Board, the Chairman or the Chief Executive Officer shall so request. The Treasurer shall perform all other necessary actions and duties in connection with the administration of the financial affairs of the Corporation and shall generally perform all the duties usually appertaining to the office of treasurer of a corporation. When required by the Board, the Treasurer shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of the Treasurer's duties in such sums and with such sureties as the Board shall approve.

Section 4.12. <u>Assistant Treasurers</u>. Assistant Treasurers of the Corporation ("<u>Assistant Treasurers</u>"), if any, in order of their seniority or in any other order determined by the Board, shall generally assist the Treasurer and perform such other duties as the Board or the Treasurer shall prescribe and, in the absence or disability of the Treasurer, shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Treasurer.



## ARTICLE V CHECKS, DRAFTS, NOTES AND PROXIES

Section 5.01. <u>Checks, Drafts and Notes</u>. All checks, drafts and other orders for the payment of money, notes and other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the Corporation and in such manner as shall be determined, from time to time, by resolution of the Board.

Section 5.02. <u>Execution of Proxies</u>. The Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer, the President or any Vice President may authorize, from time to time, the execution and issuance of proxies to vote shares of stock or other securities of other corporations held of record by the Corporation and the execution of consents to action taken or to be taken by any such corporation. All such proxies and consents, unless otherwise authorized by the Board, shall be signed in the name of the Corporation by the Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer, the President or any Vice President.

## ARTICLE VI SHARES AND TRANSFERS OF SHARES

Section 6.01. <u>Certificates Evidencing Shares</u>. Shares may be evidenced by certificates in such form or forms as shall be approved by the Board. Certificates shall be issued in consecutive order and shall be numbered in the order of their issue and shall be signed by the Chairman, the President or any Vice President and by the Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer or any Assistant Treasurer. If such a certificate is manually signed by one such officer, any other signature on the certificate may be a facsimile. In the event any such officer who has signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed upon a certificate shall have ceased to hold such office or to be employed by the Corporation before such certificate is issued, such certificate may be issued by the Corporation with the same effect as if such officer had held such office on the date of issue.

Section 6.02. <u>Stock Ledger</u>. A stock ledger in one or more counterparts shall be kept by the Secretary, in which shall be recorded the name and address of each person, corporation or other entity owning the shares evidenced by each certificate evidencing shares issued by the Corporation, the number of shares evidenced by each such certificate, the date of issuance thereof and, in the case of cancellation, the date of cancellation. Except as otherwise expressly required by law, the person in whose name shares stand on the stock ledger of the Corporation shall be deemed the owner and recordholder of such shares for all purposes.

Section 6.03. <u>Transfers of Shares</u>. Registration of transfers of shares shall be made only in the stock ledger of the Corporation upon request of the registered holder of such shares, or of his attorney thereunto authorized by power of attorney duly executed and filed with the Secretary, and upon the surrender of the certificate or certificates evidencing such shares properly endorsed or accompanied by a stock power duly executed, together with such proof of the authenticity of signatures as the Corporation may reasonably require.

Section 6.04. <u>Addresses of Stockholders</u>. Each stockholder shall designate to the Secretary an address at which notices of meetings and all other corporate notices may be served or mailed to such stockholder, and, if any stockholder shall fail to so designate such an address, corporate notices may be served upon such stockholder by mail directed to the mailing address, if any, as the same appears in the stock ledger of the Corporation or at the last known mailing address of such stockholder.



Section 6.05. Lost, Destroyed and Mutilated Certificates. Each recordholder of shares shall promptly notify the Corporation of any loss, destruction or mutilation of any certificate or certificates evidencing any share or shares of which such recordholder is the recordholder. The Board may, in its discretion, cause the Corporation to issue a new certificate in place of any certificate theretofore issued by it and alleged to have been mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed, upon the surrender of the mutilated certificate or, in the case of loss, theft or destruction of the certificate, upon satisfactory proof of such loss, theft or destruction, and the Board may, in its discretion, require the recordholder of the shares evidenced by the lost, stolen or destroyed certificate or such recordholder's legal representative to give the Corporation a bond sufficient to indemnify the Corporation against any claim made against it on account of the alleged loss, theft or destruction of any such certificate or the issuance of such new certificate.

Section 6.06. <u>Regulations</u>. The Board may make such other rules and regulations as it may deem expedient, not inconsistent with these Bylaws, concerning the issue, transfer and registration of certificates evidencing shares.

Section 6.07. <u>Fixing Date for Determination of Stockholders of Record</u>. In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof, or to express consent to, or to dissent from, corporate action in writing without a meeting, or entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights, or entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock, or for the purpose of any other lawful action, the Board may fix, in advance, a record date, which shall not be more than sixty (60) nor less than ten (10) days before the date of such meeting, nor more than sixty (60) days prior to any other such action. A determination of the stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall apply to any postponement or adjournment of such meeting; provided, however, that the Board may fix a new record date for the postponed or adjourned meeting.

Section 6.08. <u>Lock-Up</u> (a) The holders (together with any Permitted Transferees (as defined below), the "Lock-Up Holders") of: (i) shares of common stock of the Corporation issued as consideration pursuant to the Merger (as defined in the Merger Agreement) other than such shares issued to holders of Company Warrants (as defined in the Merger Agreement); (ii) any Parent RSU Awards (as described in the Merger Agreement); or (iii) shares of common stock of the Corporation underlying the Parent RSU Awards (all such securities described in clauses (i) through (iii), the "Lock-Up Shares"), in each case of (i), (ii) and (iii) below, will not:

(i) offer, sell, contract to sell, pledge, grant any option to purchase or otherwise dispose of (collectively, a "Disposition") any of the Lock-Up Shares during the Lock-Up Period (as defined below) without the prior written consent of the Board,

(ii) exercise or seek to exercise or effectuate in any manner any rights of any nature that any Lock-Up Holder has or may have hereafter to require the Corporation to register under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act") any Lock-Up Holder's sale, transfer or other disposition of any of the Lock-Up Shares or other securities of the Corporation held by any Lock-Up Holder, or to otherwise participate as a selling securityholder in any manner in any registration or qualification effected by the Corporation under the Act or

(iii) engage in any hedging, collar (whether or not for any consideration) or other transaction (including any short sale or any purchase, sale or grant of any right (including any put or call option or reversal or cancellation thereof) with respect to any Lock-Up Shares or with respect to any security (other than a broad-based market basket or index) that includes, relates to or derives any significant part of its value from Lock-Up Shares) that is designed to or reasonably expected to lead or result in a Disposition of Lock-Up Shares during the Lock-Up Period, even if such Lock-Up Shares would be disposed of by someone other than a Lock-Up Holder

during the Lock-Up Period, without the prior written consent of the Board (which written consent may be granted by the Board in its sole discretion at any time) (the restrictions set forth in this Section 6.08, the "Lock-Up"). The Lock-Up Securities shall carry appropriate legends indicating the restrictions on Transfer imposed by this Section 6.08, including as required by Section 151(f) of the Delaware General Corporation Law in respect to uncertificated stock.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions set forth in Section 6.08(a), a Lock-Up Holder may make a Disposition during the Lock-Up Period in the following circumstances: (i) transfers of shares of capital stock of the Corporation which the Lock-Up Holder purchased in the public market; (ii) any exercise of stock options granted pursuant to the Corporation's equity incentive plans (but not the sale of the shares so acquired); (iii) any exercise, exchange or conversion of any warrant to acquire shares of capital stock of the Corporation or any other security convertible into or exchangeable for shares of capital stock of the Corporation (but not the sale of any shares so acquired); (iv) transfers of shares of capital stock of the Corporation as a bona fide gift or gifts; (v) transfers or dispositions of shares of capital stock of the Corporation or any securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for such capital stock to any trust for the direct or indirect benefit of the Lock-Up Holder or the immediate family of the Lock-Up Holder in transactions not involving a disposition for value; (vi) transfers or dispositions of shares of capital stock of the Corporation or any securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for such capital stock to any corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity all of the beneficial ownership interests of which are held by the Lock-Up Holder or the immediate family of the Lock-Up Holder ro a transaction not involving a disposition for value; (vii) transfers or capital stock of the Corporation or any securities convertible into, or exercisable for such capital stock to the Corporation or any securities convertible into, or exercisable or exchangeable for such capital stock to any corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity all of the beneficial ownership interests of which are held by the Lock-Up Holder or the immediate family of the Lock-Up Holder; or exercisable or exchangeable for such capital stock of the Corporatio

(c) The Corporation may, from time to time, establish such policies and procedures relating to the general administration of the Lock-Up as it may deem necessary or advisable in its sole discretion. The Corporation may, from time to time, request from Lock-Up Holders such certifications, affidavits or other proof to the Corporation as it deems necessary to determine whether a proposed Disposition of Lock-Up Shares is permitted under Section 6.08(b) hereunder. Any such determination by the Corporation shall be conclusive and binding and the Corporation shall have no liability to any Lock-Up Holder in connection with the administration of the Lock-Up.

(d) Notwithstanding the other provisions set forth in this Section 6.08, the Board may, in its sole discretion, determine to waive, amend, or repeal the lock-up obligations set forth herein.

(e) For purposes of this Section 6.08:

"Closing Date" shall have the meaning assigned thereto in the Merger Agreement.

"Lock-Up Period" means the period beginning on the Closing Date and ending at 11:59 pm Eastern Time on the date that is six months after the Closing Date.

"Merger Agreement" means that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of October 3, 2022 (as it may be amended or otherwise modified from time to time), by and among AeroClean Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation, Air King Merger Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and Molekule, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"Permitted Transferees" means, prior to the expiration of the Lock-Up Period, any person or entity to whom such Lock-Up Holder is permitted to make a Disposition of Lock-Up Shares pursuant to Section 6.08(b).

#### ARTICLE VII SEAL

Section 7.01. <u>Seal</u>. The Board may approve and adopt a corporate seal, which shall be in the form of a circle and shall bear the full name of the Corporation, the year of its incorporation and the words "Corporate Seal Delaware".

## ARTICLE VIII FISCAL YEAR

Section 8.01. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Corporation shall end on the thirty-first day of December of each year unless changed by resolution of the Board.

## ARTICLE IX FORUM AND VENUE

Section 9.01. Forum and Venue. Unless the Corporation consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or, if the Court of Chancery does not have jurisdiction, the federal district court for the District of Delaware) shall be the sole and exclusive forum for: (i) any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of the Corporation; (ii) any action asserting a claim for breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation to the Corporation or the Corporation or the bylaws of the Corporation; or (iv) any action asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine; in each case subject to said court having personal jurisdiction over the indispensable parties named as defendants therein. If any action the subject matter of which is within the scope of this Section 9.01 is filed in a court other than a court located within the State of Delaware (a "<u>Foreign Action</u>") in the name of any stockholder, such stockholder shall be deemed to have consented to: (x) the personal jurisdiction of the state and federal courts located within the State of Delaware in connection with any action brought in any such court to enforce this Section 9.01 (an "<u>Enforcement Action</u>"); and (y) having service of process made upon such stockholder in any such Enforcement Action by service upon such stockholder's coursel in the Foreign Action as agent for such stockholder. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in shares of capital stock of the Corporation shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to the provisions of this Section 9.01.

### ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

Section 10.01. <u>Amendments</u>. No Bylaw (including these Bylaws) may be altered, amended or repealed except by the requisite vote of the Board or the stockholders pursuant to the Certificate of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE XI CERTAIN DEFINITIONS

Section 11.01. Certain Definitions. As used in these Bylaws, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated in this Section 11.01:

(a) "<u>Public announcement</u>" shall mean an announcement: (i) made by a press release posted on the Corporation's website or reported by the Dow Jones News Service, Associated Press or other national news service, or (ii) in a document publicly filed by the Corporation with the Securities and Exchange Commission;

(b) "Business day" shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which banking institutions in New York, New York are generally authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.

(c) "<u>Close of business</u>" on any given date shall mean 5:00 p.m., New York City time on such date, or, if such date is not a business day, 5:00 p.m. New York City time on the next succeeding business day.

#### STOCKHOLDERS AGREEMENT

This STOCKHOLDERS AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of January 12, 2023 by and among AeroClean Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Parent"), and the stockholders named in <u>Schedule I</u> hereto and any additional person that becomes a party to this Agreement in accordance with the terms hereof (collectively, the "Stockholders").

#### **RECITALS**

WHEREAS, on October 3, 2022, the Parent, Air King Merger Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Merger Sub") and Molekule, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), entered into an agreement and plan of merger (the "Merger Agreement"), pursuant to which the Parent and the Company intend to effect a merger of Merger Sub with and into the Company, with the Company surviving as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Parent, in accordance with the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "Merger");

**WHEREAS**, in order to induce the Parent and the Company to enter into the Merger Agreement and consummate the Merger, a condition to closing under the Merger Agreement is the execution of this Agreement by the Parent and the Stockholders, pursuant to which the parties hereto wish to establish certain board nomination and corporate governance rights in respect of the Parent;

WHEREAS, as of the date hereof, the Stockholders are the record and "beneficial owners" (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (together with the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, the "Exchange Act")) of the number of shares of the Parent's common stock (the "Common Stock") set forth on Exhibit A hereto ((the "Owned Shares"); the Owned Shares and any additional shares of Common Stock (or any securities convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for Common Stock) in which such Stockholder acquires record and/or beneficial ownership after the date hereof, including by purchase, as a result of a stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization, combination, reclassification, exchange or change of such shares, or upon exercise or conversion of any securities, the "Covered Shares"); and

WHEREAS, the Owned Shares represent a majority of the outstanding shares of Common Stock.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the representations, covenants and agreements contained herein, and certain other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree as follows:

#### 1. Right to Nominate Directors.

(a) After the date hereof and until the Termination Date (as defined in Section 3 herein), the Parent and the Stockholders shall take all necessary and desirable actions within their control to cause the nominating and corporate governance committee of the Board (the "**Nominating Committee**") to nominate and recommend to the Board, including self-nominations, the following individuals for election to the Board as directors (each, a "**Director**"): Brad Feld, Heather Floyd, David Helfet, M.D., Amin J. Khoury, PhD (Hon) (as Non-Executive Chairman of the Board), Thomas P. McCaffrey, Timothy Scannell, Michael Senft and Stephen M. Ward, Jr.

(b) The Parent agrees to take all necessary action to (i) call, or cause the Board to call, a meeting of stockholders of the Parent as may be necessary to cause the election as directors of those individuals nominated in accordance with this Agreement and to (ii) include, in the slate of nominees recommended by the Board for election at any meeting of stockholders called for the purpose of electing directors between the date hereof and the Termination Date (or in any election by written consent), the persons nominated pursuant to this Section 1 and to nominate and recommend each such individual to be elected as a director as provided herein, and to solicit proxies or consents in favor thereof and to cause the applicable proxies to vote in accordance with the foregoing. The Parent shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to support the election of the Directors and, in any event, shall use not less than the efforts used by the Parent to obtain the election of any other nominee nominated by it to serve on the Board. The Parent and the Stockholders shall take all necessary and desirable actions within their control to enable the Nominating Committee and/or the Board to nominate the Directors.

(c) The chairman of the Board shall be a non-executive chairman, shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall exercise such powers and perform such other duties as shall be determined from time to time by the Board or otherwise enumerated in an agreement between the Parent and the chairman. The Non-Executive Chairman shall initially be Amin J. Khoury.

(d) Directors may be removed from office only in accordance with the provisions contained in the Parent's bylaws and certificate of incorporation, as amended from time to time (the "**Organizational Documents**"), and Delaware law. In the event that a vacancy is created on the Board at any time by the death, disability, retirement, resignation or removal of any of the above-referenced Director, the Parent and each Stockholder, severally and not jointly, shall take all necessary action as will result in the election or appointment of such individual as may be selected by the Board or the Nominating Committee of the Board to fill such vacancy.

(e) The Board shall maintain committees in accordance with the Organizational Documents as well as the applicable requirements of Nasdaq. The Parent and each of the Stockholders agrees that, following the consummation of the Merger, the members of the audit, compensation, and nominating committees of the Board shall be as set forth on <u>Exhibit B</u> hereto or as otherwise determined by the Board. Upon the death, disability, retirement, resignation or removal of any Director, such Director shall also be removed from the committees on which such Director serves and the Board may in its discretion appoint alternative Directors or any newly-appointed director to any committee.

2. <u>No Inconsistent Agreements</u>. Each Stockholder hereby covenants and agrees that such Stockholder shall not, at any time prior to the Termination Date, (i) enter into any voting agreement or voting trust with respect to any of such Stockholder's Covered Shares that is inconsistent with such Stockholder's obligations pursuant to this Agreement, (ii) grant a proxy or power of attorney with respect to any of such Stockholder's Covered Shares that is otherwise inconsistent with, or would interfere with, or prohibit or prevent it from satisfying, such Stockholder's obligations pursuant to this Agreement.

3. <u>Termination</u>. This Agreement shall terminate on the day immediately following the Parent's 2024 annual meeting of stockholders (the "Termination Date"); *provided*, that the provisions set forth in Sections 6 and 7 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

4. **<u>Representations and Warranties of each Stockholder.</u> Each Stockholder hereby represents and warrants as to itself as follows:** 

(a) Such Stockholder is the record and beneficial owner (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act) of, and has good, valid and marketable title to, the Covered Shares, free and clear of liens.

(b) Such Stockholder (i) has full voting power, full power of disposition and full power to issue instructions with respect to the matters set forth herein, in each case, with respect to such Stockholder's Covered Shares, (ii) has not entered into any voting agreement or voting trust with respect to any of such Stockholder's Covered Shares that is inconsistent with such Stockholder's obligations pursuant to this Agreement, (iii) has not granted a proxy or power of attorney with respect to any of such Stockholder's Covered Shares that is inconsistent with such Stockholder's obligations pursuant to this Agreement and (iv) has not entered into any agreement or undertaking that is otherwise inconsistent with, or would interfere with, or prohibit or prevent such Stockholder from satisfying, its, his or her obligations pursuant to this Agreement.

(c) This Agreement has been duly authorized (with respect to any Stockholder that is not an individual), executed and delivered by such Stockholder and constitutes a valid and binding agreement of such Stockholder enforceable against such Stockholder in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium and similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and subject, as to enforceability, to general principles of equity.

(d) No filings, notices, reports, consents, registrations, approvals, permits, waivers, expirations of waiting periods or authorizations are required to be obtained by such Stockholder from, or to be given by such Stockholder to, or be made by such Stockholder with, any governmental authority in connection with the execution, delivery and performance by such Stockholder of this Agreement, other than any filings, notices and reports pursuant to, in compliance with or required to be made under the Exchange Act.

(e) The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement by such Stockholder do not constitute or result in (i) a breach or violation of, or a default under, the governing documents of such Stockholder (if such Stockholder is not an individual), (ii) a breach or violation of any applicable law, or (iii) a breach or violation of, or a default under, any contract binding upon such Stockholder except, in the case of clause (ii) or (iii) directly above, for any such breach, violation, or default that would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to prevent or materially delay or impair such Stockholder's ability to perform its, his or her obligations hereunder.

5. Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of the parties hereto in respect of the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior understandings, agreements, or representations by or among the parties hereto, written or oral, to the extent they relate in any way to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be changed, amended, modified or waived (other than to correct a typographical error) as to any particular provision, except by a written instrument executed by the parties hereto. The Stockholders are not and shall not be deemed to be a "group" (within the meaning of the Exchange Act) or to be "acting in concert" (within the meaning of Rule 144 under the Securities Act) by virtue of the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the performance of their obligations hereunder.

6. <u>Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial.</u> This Agreement, and all claims or causes of action based upon, arising out of, or related to this Agreement, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware, without giving effect to principles or rules of conflict of laws to the extent such principles or rules would require or permit the application of laws of another jurisdiction. Any action based upon, arising out of or related to this Agreement or the actions contemplated hereby may be brought in the United States District Court for the District of Delaware or, if such court does not have jurisdiction, the Delaware state courts located in Wilmington, Delaware, and each of the parties irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of each such court in any such action, waives any objection it may now or hereafter have to personal jurisdiction, venue or convenience of forum, agrees that all claims in respect of the action shall be heard and determined only in any such court, and agrees not to bring any action arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the actions contemplated hereby in any other court. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to affect the right of any party to serve process in any manner permitted by applicable law or to commence legal proceedings or otherwise proceed against any other party in any other jurisdiction, in each case, to enforce judgments obtained in any action brought pursuant to this paragraph.

EACH OF THE PARTIES HERETO HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION BASED UPON, ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THIS SPONSOR AGREEMENT OR THE ACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY.

7. **Notices.** Any notice, designation, request, request for consent or consent provided for in this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be either personally delivered, mailed first class mail (postage prepaid) or sent by reputable overnight courier service (charges prepaid) or sent via electronic mail to (i) the Parent at the address set forth below and (ii) the applicable Stockholder at the address set forth below such Stockholder's name in <u>Schedule I</u> hereto and to any other recipient at the address indicated on Parent's records, or at such address or to the attention of such other Person as the recipient party has specified by prior written notice to the sending party. Notices will be deemed to have been given hereunder when sent by electronic mail or delivered personally, five (5) days after deposit in the U.S. mail and one (1) day after deposit with a reputable overnight courier service.

The Parent's address is:

AeroClean Technologies, Inc. 10455 Riverside Drive Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410 Attn: Jason DiBona E-mail: jdibona@aeroclean.com

with a copy (not constituting notice) to:

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer US LLP 601 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10022 Attn: Valerie Ford Jacob E-mail: valerie.jacob@freshfields.com

8. **Specific Performance.** The Parent and each of the Stockholders acknowledges that the rights of each party to this Agreement to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby are unique and recognize and affirm that in the event any of the provisions hereof are not performed in accordance with their specific terms or otherwise are breached, money damages would be inadequate (and therefore the non-breaching party would have no adequate remedy at law) and the non-breaching party would be irreparably damaged. Accordingly, each party hereto agrees that each other party shall be entitled to specific performance, an injunction or other equitable relief (without posting of bond or other security or needing to prove irreparable harm) to prevent breaches of the provisions hereof and to enforce specifically this Agreement to the extent expressly contemplated herein or therein and the terms and provisions hereof in any legal proceeding, in addition to any other remedy to which such person may be entitled. Each party hereto agrees that it will not oppose the granting of specific performance and other equitable relief on the basis that the other parties hereto have an adequate remedy at law or that an award of specific performance is not an appropriate remedy for any reason at law or equity. The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that any party seeking an injunction to prevent breaches of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions hereof in accordance with this Section 8 shall not be required to provide any bond or other security in connection with any such injunction.

9. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of original, electronic or facsimile counterparts and each of such counterparts shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original, and all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument. This Agreement may be executed by facsimile or .pdf signature, or by Docusign or other customary mode of electronic signature, which shall constitute an original for all purposes.

10. <u>Severability</u>. This Agreement shall be deemed severable, and the invalidity or unenforceability of any term or provision hereof shall not affect the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or of any other term or provision hereof. Furthermore, in lieu of any such invalid or unenforceable term or provision, the parties hereto intend that there shall be added as a part of this Agreement a provision as similar in terms to such invalid or unenforceable provision as may be possible and be valid and enforceable.

11. **Further Assurances**. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, each party hereto shall do and perform or cause to be done and performed all such further acts and things and shall execute and deliver all such other agreements, certificates, instruments and other documents as any other party hereto reasonably may request in order to carry out the provisions of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.

12. <u>Waiver</u>. No course of dealing between or among the Parent, any of the parties hereto or any delay in exercising any rights hereunder will operate as a waiver of any rights of any party. The failure of any party hereto to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement will in no way be construed as a waiver of such provisions and will not affect the right of such party thereafter to enforce each and every provision of this Agreement in accordance with its terms.

13. <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. The terms and conditions of this Agreement inure to the benefit of and are binding upon the respective successors and assignees of the parties. Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to confer upon any party other than the parties hereto or their respective successors and assigns any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities under or by reason of this Agreement, except as expressly provided herein.

14. <u>No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, none of the provisions in this Agreement shall be for the benefit of or enforceable by any person other than the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns. The covenants and agreements contained herein shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns of the respective parties hereto.

(signature pages follow)

## AEROCLEAN TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

By:	/s/ Jason DiBona Jason DiBona Chief Executive Officer
	AMIN J. KHOURY
By:	/s/ Amin J. Khoury Amin J. Khoury
	LEWIS PELL
By:	/s/ Lewis Pell Lewis Pell
	DAVID HELFET, M.D.
By:	/s/ David Helfet, M.D. David Helfet, M.D.
	DATELINE TV HOLDINGS, INC.
By:	/s/ Timothy Helfet Timothy Helfet Chief Executive Officer

## FOUNDRY GROUP NEXT, L.P.

By its General Partner FG Next GP, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Brad Feld

Brad Feld Managing Director

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## **CROSSLINK CROSSOVER FUND VII, L.P.** By its General Partner

Crossover Fund VII Management, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Maureen Offer Maureen Offer Authorized Signatory

> **CROSSLINK CROSSOVER FUND VIII, L.P.** By its General Partner Crossover Fund VIII Management, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Maureen Offer Maureen Offer Authorized Signatory

> **CROSSLINK CROSSOVER FUND VIII-B, L.P.** By its General Partner Crossover Fund VIII Management, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Maureen Offer Maureen Offer Authorized Signatory

> **CROSSLINK ENDEAVOUR FUND I, L.P.** By its General Partner Endeavour I Holdings, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Maureen Offer Maureen Offer Authorized Signatory

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## **CROSSLINK VENTURES VII, L.P.** By its General Partner

Crossover Ventures VII Holdings, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Maureen Offer Maureen Offer Authorized Signatory

> **CROSSLINK VENTURES VII-B, L.P.** By its General Partner Crossover Ventures VII Holdings, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Maureen Offer Maureen Offer Authorized Signatory

### **CROSSLINK BAYVIEW VII, L.L.C.**

By: /s/ Maureen Offer Maureen Offer Authorized Signatory

### **BETA BAYVIEW, LLC**

By: /s/ Maureen Offer Maureen Offer Authorized Signatory

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### SCHEDULE I

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# EXHIBIT A

Stockholder	Owned Shares
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### EXHIBIT B

### **Board Committee Composition**

### AMENDED & RESTATED REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT

### by and among

AeroClean Technologies, Inc.,

Amin J. Khoury,

Crosslink Capital, Inc.,

Foundry Group Next, L.P.

and

the Holders

Dated as of January 12, 2023

AMENDED AND RESTATED REGISTRATION RIGHTS AGREEMENT, dated as of January 12, 2023 (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), by and among (i) AeroClean Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), (ii) Amin J. Khoury, Crosslink Capital, Inc. and Foundry Group Next, L.P. (each, together with their respective permitted transferees, a "<u>Major Holder</u>" and, collectively, the "<u>Major Holders</u>") and (iii) the other Holders party hereto from time to time, amending and restating in its entirety that certain registration rights agreement, dated as of November 29, 2021, by and among the Company, Amin J. Khoury and the other Holders party thereto.

In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties to this Agreement, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows, effective as of the date hereof:

Section 1. <u>Certain Definitions</u>. As used herein, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

"Additional Piggyback Rights" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.2(b).

"Additional Piggyback Shares" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.3(a)(iii).

"<u>Affiliate</u>" as applied to any Person, means any other Person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under common control with that Person. For the purposes of this definition, "control" (including, with correlative meanings, the terms "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with"), as applied to any Person, means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of that Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities (the ownership of more than 50% of the voting securities of an entity shall for purposes of this definition be deemed to be "control"), by contract or otherwise. For the avoidance of doubt, neither the Company nor any Person controlled by the Company shall be deemed to be an Affiliate of any Holder.

"Agreement" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the Preamble.

"<u>Assumption Agreement</u>" means an agreement in the form set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto whereby a permitted transferee of Registrable Securities who acquires such Registrable Securities becomes a party to, and agrees to be bound, to the same extent as its transferor, by the terms of this Agreement.

"automatic shelf registration statement" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.4.

"Block Trade Notice" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(e).

"Board" means the board of directors of the Company.

"Business Day" means a day, other than Saturday, Sunday, federal or New York State holiday or other day on which commercial banks in the City of New York are authorized or required by law or other governmental action to close.

"Claims" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.9(a).

"<u>Company</u>" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the Preamble and, for purposes of this Agreement, such term shall include any Subsidiary or parent company of the Company and any successor to the Company or any Subsidiary or parent company of the Company who becomes the issuer of Shares.

"Company Block Trade Notice" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(e).

"Company Shelf Notice" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.2(a).

"Company Shelf Underwriting" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.2(a).

"Demand Exercise Notice" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(a)(i).

"Demand Party" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(a)(i).

"Demand Registration" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(a)(i).

"Demand Registration Request" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(a)(i).

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the SEC issued under such Act, as they may from time to time be in effect.

"Expenses" means any and all fees and expenses incident to the Company's performance of or compliance with Section 2 of this Agreement, including, without limitation: (i) SEC, stock exchange or FINRA registration and filing fees and all listing fees and fees with respect to the inclusion of securities on the New York Stock Exchange, Nasdaq or on any other U.S. or non-U.S. securities market on which the Shares are or may be listed or quoted; (ii) fees and expenses of compliance with state securities or "blue sky" laws of any state or jurisdiction of the United States or compliance with the securities laws of foreign jurisdictions and in connection with the preparation of a "blue sky" survey, including, without limitation, reasonable fees and expenses of outside "blue sky" counsel and securities counsel in foreign jurisdictions (but no more than one such counsel in any one jurisdiction); (iii) word processing, printing and copying expenses (including, without limitation, expenses of printing certificates for the Registrable Securities in a form eligible for deposit with The Depository Trust Company and of printing any prospectus or free writing prospectus); (iv) messenger and delivery expenses; (v) expenses incurred in connection with any road show; (vi) fees and disbursements of counsel for the Company; (vii) with respect to each registration or underwritten offering, the reasonable and documented fees and disbursements of counsel for each Major Holder (each a "Selling Shareholders Counsel"), together in each case with any local counsel, in an aggregate amount per Major Holder not to exceed \$35,000 per registration or underwritten offering; (viii) fees and disbursements of all independent public accountants (including the expenses of any audit/review and/or "cold comfort" letter and updates thereof) and fees and expenses of other Persons; (ix) fees and expenses payable to a Qualified Independent Underwriter; (x) fees and expenses of any transfer agent or custodian; (xi) any other fees and disbursements of underwriters, if any, customarily paid by issuers of securities and reasonable and documented fees and expenses of counsel for the underwriters in connection with any filing with or review by FINRA; and (xii) expenses for securities law liability insurance and, if any, rating agency fees.

"FINRA" means the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.

"<u>Holder</u>" or "<u>Holders</u>" means (1) any Person (other than the Company) who is a party to this Agreement and (2) any transferee of Registrable Securities to whom any Person (other than the Company) who is a party to this Agreement shall assign or transfer any rights hereunder in accordance with this Agreement; <u>provided</u>, that such transferee has agreed in writing to be bound by the terms of this Agreement in respect of such Registrable Securities pursuant to an Assumption Agreement.

"Initiating Holders" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(a)(i).

"Major Holder" has the meaning ascribed to such term in the preamble hereinabove.

"<u>Majority Participating Holders</u>" means Participating Holders holding more than 50% of the Registrable Securities proposed to be included in any offering of Registrable Securities by such Participating Holders pursuant to Section 2.1 or Section 2.2.

"Manager" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(c).

"Opt-Out Request" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 4.15.

"<u>Participating Holders</u>" means all Holders of Registrable Securities that are proposed to be included in any offering of Registrable Securities pursuant to Section 2.1 or Section 2.2.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, company, limited liability company, partnership, trust, joint stock company, business trust, unincorporated association, joint venture, governmental authority or other legal entity of any kind or nature whatsoever.

"Piggyback Notice" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.2(a).

"Postponement Period" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(b).

"Qualified Independent Underwriter" means a "qualified independent underwriter" within the meaning of FINRA Rule 5121.

"Registrable Securities" means (a) any Shares held by the Holders at any time (including those held as a result of, or issuable upon, the conversion or exercise of Share Equivalents), whether now owned or acquired by the Holders at a later time, (b) any Shares issued or issuable, directly or indirectly, in exchange for or with respect to the Shares referenced in clause (a) above by way of stock dividend, stock split or combination of shares or in connection with a reclassification, recapitalization, merger, share exchange, consolidation or other reorganization and (c) any securities issued in replacement of or exchange for any securities described in clause (a) or (b) above. As to any particular Registrable Securities, such securities shall cease to be Registrable Securities when (A) a registration statement covering the sale of such Registrable Securities has been declared effective under the Securities have been disposed of in accordance with such effective registration statement, (B) such Registrable Securities have been disposed of in accordance with such effective registration statement, (B) such Registrable Securities have been distributed pursuant to Rule 144 or Rule 145 of the Securities Act (or any successor rule) and new certificates for them not bearing a legend restricting transfer shall have been delivered by the Company or (C) such Registrable Securities shall have been otherwise transferred and new certificates for them not bearing a legend restricting transfer shall have been delivered by the Company and such securities may be publicly resold without registration under the Securities Act.

"Rule 144" and "Rule 144A" each have the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 4.2.

"SEC" means the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or such other federal agency that at such time administers the Securities Act.

"Section 2.3(a) Sale Number" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.3(a).

"Section 2.3(a)(x) Sale Number" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.3(a).

"Section 2.3(b) Block Trade Sale Number" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.3(b).

"Section 2.3(b)(x) Sale Number" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.3(b).

"Section 2.3(c) Sale Number" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.3(c).

"Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the SEC issued under such Act, as they may from time to time be in effect.

"<u>Share Equivalents</u>" means, with respect to the Company, all options, warrants and other securities convertible into, or exchangeable or exercisable for (at any time or upon the occurrence of any event or contingency and without regard to any vesting or other conditions to which such securities may be subject), or depositary receipts or depositary shares representing or evidencing, Shares or other equity securities of the Company (including, without limitation, any note or debt security convertible into or exchangeable for Shares or other equity securities of the Company).

"Shares" means the shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company and any and all securities of any kind whatsoever that may be issued after the date hereof in respect of, or in exchange for, such shares of common stock pursuant to a merger, consolidation, stock split, stock dividend or recapitalization of the Company or otherwise.

"Shelf Registrable Securities" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(e).

"Shelf Registration Statement" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(e).

"Shelf Underwriting" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(e).

"Shelf Underwriting Notice" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(e).

"Shelf Underwriting Request" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(e).

"Subsidiary" means any direct or indirect subsidiary of the Company.

"Valid Business Reason" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(b).

"<u>WKSI</u>" has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section 2.1(a)(i).

Section 2. <u>Registration Rights</u>.

2.1. Demand Registrations.

(a) (i) Subject to Sections 2.1(b) and 2.3, at any time and from time to time following the date hereof, each of the Major Holders (each a "<u>Demand Party</u>") shall have the right to require the Company to file one or more registration statements under the Securities Act covering all or any part of its and its Affiliates' Registrable Securities by delivering a written request therefor to the Company specifying the number of Registrable Securities to be included in such registration and the intended method of distribution thereof. Any such request by any Demand Party pursuant to this Section 2.1(a)(i) is referred to herein as a "<u>Demand Registration Request</u>" and the registration so requested is referred to herein as a "<u>Demand Registration</u>" (with respect to any Demand Registration, the Major Holder(s) making such demand for registration being referred to as the "<u>Initiating Holder(s)</u>"). Any Demand Registration Request may request that the Company register Registrable Securities on an appropriate form, including a shelf registration statement, and, if the Company is a well-known seasoned issuer (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act, a "<u>WKSI</u>"), an automatic shelf registration statement. The Company shall give written notice (the "<u>Demand Exercise Notice</u>") of such Demand Registration Request to each of the Holders of record of Registrable Securities, if any, other than the Initiating Holder(s), at least five (5) Business Days prior to the filing of any registration statement under the Securities Act.

(ii) The Company, subject to Sections 2.3 and 2.6, shall include in a Demand Registration (x) the Registrable Securities of the Initiating Holders and (y) the Registrable Securities of any other Holder of Registrable Securities that shall have made a written request to the Company for inclusion in such registration pursuant to Section 2.2 (which request shall specify the maximum number of Registrable Securities intended to be disposed of by such Participating Holder) within five (5) days following the receipt of any such Demand Exercise Notice.

(iii) The Company shall, as expeditiously as reasonably possible, but subject to Section 2.1(b), use its commercially reasonable efforts to (x) file with the SEC (no later than forty-five (45) days from the Company's receipt of the applicable Demand Registration Request) and cause to be declared effective such registration under the Securities Act as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter (including, without limitation, by means of a shelf registration pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act if so requested and if the Company is then eligible to use such a registration) with respect to the Registrable Securities that the Company has been so requested to register for distribution in accordance with the intended method of distribution and (y) if requested by the Initiating Holders, obtain acceleration of the effective date of the registration statement relating to such registration.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 2.1(a), the Demand Registration rights granted in Section 2.1(a) are subject to the (b)following limitations: (i) the Company shall not be required to effect more than (x) five (5) Demand Registrations on Form S-1 or any similar long-form registration at the request of any Major Holder; provided, however, that the Major Holders shall be entitled to request an unlimited number of Demand Registrations on Form S-3 or any similar short-form registration (including pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act) or take-downs or other offerings off an existing Form S-3; and (ii) if the Board, in its good faith judgment, determines that any registration of Registrable Securities should not be made or continued because it would materially and adversely interfere with any existing or potential material financing, acquisition, corporate reorganization, merger, share exchange or other transaction or event involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries or because the Company does not yet have appropriate financial statements of any acquired or to be acquired entities available for filing (in each case, a "Valid Business Reason"), then (x) the Company may postpone filing a registration statement relating to a Demand Registration Request until five (5) Business Days after such Valid Business Reason no longer exists, but in no event for more than forty-five (45) days after the date the Board determines a Valid Business Reason exists, and (y) in case a registration statement has been filed relating to a Demand Registration Request, if the Valid Business Reason has not resulted in whole or part from actions taken or omitted to be taken by the Company, the Company may, to the extent determined in the good faith judgment of the Board to be reasonably necessary to avoid interference with any of the transactions described above, suspend use of or, if required by the SEC, cause such registration statement to be withdrawn and its effectiveness terminated or may postpone amending or supplementing such registration statement until five (5) Business Days after such Valid Business Reason no longer exists, but in no event for more than forty-five (45) days after the date the Board determines a Valid Business Reason exists (such period of postponement or withdrawal under this clause (v), the "Postponement Period"). The Company shall give written notice to the Initiating Holders and any other Holders that have requested registration pursuant to Section 2.1 or Section 2.2 of its determination to postpone or suspend use of or withdraw a registration statement and of the fact that the Valid Business Reason for such postponement or suspension or withdrawal no longer exists, in each case, promptly after the occurrence thereof; provided, however, the Company shall not be permitted to postpone or suspend use of or withdraw a registration statement after the expiration of any Postponement Period until twelve (12) months after the expiration of such Postponement Period.

If the Company shall give any notice of postponement or suspension or withdrawal of any registration statement pursuant to clause (ii) above, the Company shall not, during the Postponement Period, register any Shares, other than pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-4 or S-8 (or an equivalent registration form then in effect). Each Holder of Registrable Securities agrees that, upon receipt of any notice from the Company that the Company has determined to suspend use of, withdraw, terminate or postpone amending or supplementing any registration statement pursuant to clause (ii) above, such Holder will discontinue its disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to such registration statement. If the Company shall have suspended use of, withdrawn or terminated a registration statement filed under Section 2.1(a)(i) (whether pursuant to clause (ii) above or as a result of any stop order, injunction or other order or requirement of the SEC or any other governmental agency or court), the Company shall not be considered to have effected a Demand Registration for the purposes of this Agreement until the Company shall have permitted use of such suspended registration statement or filed a new registration statement covering the Registrable Securities covered by the withdrawn or terminated registration statement and such registration statement shall have been declared effective and shall not have been withdrawn. If the Company shall give any notice of suspension, withdrawal or postponement of a registration statement, the Company shall, not later than five (5) Business Days after the Valid Business Reason that caused such suspension, withdrawal or postponement no longer exists (but in no event later than forty-five (45) days after the date of the suspension, postponement or withdrawal), as applicable, permit use of such suspended registration statement or use its reasonable best efforts to effect the registration under the Securities Act of the Registrable Securities covered by the withdrawn or postponed registration statement in accordance with this Section 2.1 (unless the Initiating Holders shall have withdrawn such request, in which case the Company shall not be considered to have effected a Demand Registration for the purposes of this Agreement and such request shall not count as a Demand Registration Request under this Agreement), and following such permission or such effectiveness, such registration shall no longer be deemed to be suspended, withdrawn or postponed pursuant to clause (ii) of Section 2.1(b) above.

(c) In connection with any Demand Registration (including any Shelf Underwriting or Underwritten Block Trade (as defined below)), the Holders of a majority of the Registrable Securities included in such Demand Registration shall have the right to designate the lead managing underwriter (any lead managing underwriter for the purposes of this Agreement, the "<u>Manager</u>") in connection with any underwritten offering pursuant to such registration and each other managing underwriter for any such underwritten offering and counsel for the Participating Holders; <u>provided</u> that, in each case, each such underwriter is reasonably satisfactory to the Company, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed; <u>provided further</u> that each Major Holder that is a Participating Holder shall have the right to designate a Selling Shareholders Counsel to act on such Major Holder's behalf.

(d) No Demand Registration shall be deemed to have occurred for purposes of Section 2.1(a) (i) if the registration statement relating thereto (x) does not become effective, (y) is not maintained effective for a period of at least one hundred eighty (180) days after the effective date thereof or such shorter period during which all Registrable Securities included in such registration statement have actually been sold (<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such period shall be extended for a period of time equal to the period the Holder of Registrable Securities refrains from selling any securities included in such registration statement at the request of the Company or an underwriter of the Company) or (z) is subject to a stop order, injunction or similar order or requirement of the SEC during such period, (ii) if any of the Registrable Securities requested by such Initiating Holder to be included in such Demand Registration are not so included pursuant to Section 2.3 (even where some or most of such Holder's Registrable Securities are included in such Demand Registration), (iii) if the method of disposition is a firm commitment underwritten public offering and any of the applicable Registrable Securities identified in the preliminary prospectus supplement, as applicable, for such offering as being sold by the Participating Holders have not been sold pursuant thereto or (iv) if the conditions to closing specified in any underwriting agreement, purchase agreement or similar agreement entered into in connection with the registration relating to such request are not satisfied (other than as a result of a default or breach thereunder by such Initiating Holder(s).

In the event that the Company files a shelf registration statement under Rule 415 of the Securities Act pursuant to a Demand (e) Registration Request and such registration becomes effective (such registration statement, a "Shelf Registration Statement"), the Initiating Holders with respect to such Demand Registration Request and the other Demand Parties with Registrable Securities registered on such Shelf Registration Statement (or, in the case of an automatic shelf registration statement, the Demand Parties) shall have the right at any time or from time to time to elect to sell pursuant to an underwritten offering Registrable Securities available for sale pursuant to such registration statement. Any such Initiating Holder or Demand Party shall make such election by delivering to the Company a written request (a "Shelf Underwriting Request") for such underwritten offering specifying the number of Registrable Securities that such Initiating Holder or Demand Party, as applicable, desires to sell pursuant to such underwritten offering (the "Shelf Underwriting"). As promptly as practicable, but no later than two (2) Business Days after receipt of a Shelf Underwriting Request, the Company shall give written notice (the "Shelf Underwriting Notice") of such Shelf Underwriting Request to the Holders of record (if any) of other Registrable Securities registered on such Shelf Registration Statement (or, in the case of an automatic shelf registration statement, the Holders of record (if any) of Registrable Securities) ("Shelf Registrable Securities"). The Company, subject to Sections 2.3 and 2.6, shall include in such Shelf Underwriting (x) the Registrable Securities of the Initiating Holders and (y) the Shelf Registrable Securities of any other Holder of Shelf Registrable Securities (if any) that shall have made a written request to the Company for inclusion in such Shelf Underwriting (which request shall specify the maximum number of Shelf Registrable Securities intended to be disposed of by such Holder) within five (5) days after the receipt of the Shelf Underwriting Notice. The Company shall, as expeditiously as possible (and in any event within twenty (20) days after the receipt of a Shelf Underwriting Request), but subject to Section 2.1(b), use its commercially reasonable efforts to facilitate such Shelf Underwriting. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a Demand Party wishes to engage in an underwritten block trade or similar transaction or other transaction with a 2-day or less marketing period (collectively, "Underwritten Block Trade") pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement (either through filing an automatic shelf registration statement or through a take-down from an already effective Shelf Registration Statement), then notwithstanding the foregoing time periods, such Demand Party only needs to notify the Company of the Underwritten Block Trade two (2) Business Days prior to the day such Underwritten Block Trade is to commence, and the Company shall notify the other Holders (the "Company Block Trade Notice") on the same day, and such other Holders (if any) must elect whether or not to participate by the next Business Day (i.e., one (1) Business Day prior to the date such offering is to commence). The Company shall as expeditiously as possible, but subject to Section 2.1(b), use its commercially reasonable efforts to facilitate such Underwritten Block Trade (which may close as early as two (2) Business Days after the date it commences); provided, however, that the Demand Party requesting such Underwritten Block Trade shall use commercially reasonable efforts to work with the Company and the underwriters prior to making such request in order to facilitate preparation of the registration statement (including filing an automatic shelf registration statement), prospectus and other offering documentation related to the Underwritten Block Trade. In the event a Demand Party requests such an Underwritten Block Trade, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 2.1 or in Section 2.2, any holder of Shares who is not a Holder shall have no right to notice of or to participate in such Underwritten Block Trade at any time. The Company shall, at the request of any Initiating Holder, file any prospectus supplement or, if the applicable Shelf Registration Statement is an automatic shelf registration statement, any post-effective amendments and otherwise take any action necessary to include therein all disclosure and language deemed necessary or advisable by the Initiating Holders or any other Holder of Shelf Registrable Securities to effect such Shelf Underwriting. Once a Shelf Registration Statement has been declared effective, the Demand Parties may request, and the Company shall be required to facilitate, subject to Section 2.1(b), an unlimited number of Shelf Underwritings with respect to such Shelf Registration Statement.

(f) Any Initiating Holder may revoke a Demand Registration Request delivered by such Initiating Holder at any time prior to the effectiveness of such Demand Registration and such Demand Registration shall have no further force or effect and such request shall not count as a Demand Registration Request under this Agreement.

(g) In the event that any Holder fails to take all steps necessary to commence an Underwritten Block Trade within two (2) Business Days of the date on which a Company Block Trade Notice is sent to such Holder, then, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Sections 2.1 and 2.2, the Demand Party requesting the Underwritten Block Trade shall have the right to exclude such Holder from participating in such Underwritten Block Trade.

#### 2.2. <u>Piggyback Registrations</u>.

If the Company proposes or is required (pursuant to Section 2.1 or otherwise) to register any of its equity securities for its own account (a) or for the account of any other shareholder under the Securities Act (other than pursuant to registrations on Form S-4 or Form S-8 or any similar successor forms thereto), the Company shall give written notice (the "Piggyback Notice") of its intention to do so to each of the Holders of record of Registrable Securities at least five (5) Business Days prior to the filing of any registration statement under the Securities Act. Upon the written request of any such Holder, made within five (5) days following the receipt of any such Piggyback Notice (which request shall specify the maximum number of Registrable Securities intended to be disposed of by such Holder and the intended method of distribution thereof), the Company shall, subject to Sections 2.2(c), 2.2(f), 2.3 and 2.6 hereof, use its reasonable best efforts to cause all such Registrable Securities, the Holders of which have so requested the registration thereof, to be registered under the Securities Act with the securities that the Company at the time proposes to register to permit the sale or other disposition by the Holders (in accordance with the intended method of distribution thereof) of the Registrable Securities to be so registered, including, if necessary, by filing with the SEC a post-effective amendment or a supplement to the registration statement filed by the Company or the prospectus related thereto. There is no limitation on the number of such piggyback registrations pursuant to the preceding sentence that the Company is obligated to effect. No registration of Registrable Securities effected under this Section 2.2(a) shall relieve the Company of its obligations to effect Demand Registrations under Section 2.1 hereof. If the Company proposes or is required (pursuant to Section 2.1 or otherwise) to sell pursuant to an underwritten offering Registrable Securities available for sale pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement (a "Company Shelf Underwriting"), the Company shall, as promptly as practicable, give written notice of such Company Shelf Underwriting (a "Company Shelf Notice") to each Holder of Shelf Registrable Securities. In addition to any equity securities that the Company proposes to sell for its own account in such Company Shelf Underwriting, the Company shall, subject to Sections 2.3 and 2.6, include in such Company Shelf Underwriting the Registrable Securities of any Holder that shall have made a written request to the Company for inclusion in such Company Shelf Underwriting (which request shall specify the maximum number of Registrable Securities intended to be disposed of by such Holder) within five (5) Business Days after the receipt of the Company Shelf Notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (x) if the Company wishes to engage in an Underwritten Block Trade pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement (a "Company Underwritten Block Trade"), then, notwithstanding the foregoing time periods, the Company only needs to notify the Holders of the Company Underwritten Block Trade two (2) Business Days prior to the day such Company Underwritten Block Trade is to commence and the Company shall notify the Holders and such Holders must elect whether or not to participate by the next Business Day (i.e., one (1) Business Day prior to the date such Underwritten Block Trade is to commence), and the Company shall as expeditiously as possible use its commercially reasonable efforts to facilitate such Company Underwritten Block Trade (which may close as early as two (2) Business Days after the date it commences) and (y) if a Demand Party wishes to engage in an Underwritten Block Trade pursuant to a Shelf Registration Statement, then the provisions set forth in Section 2.1(e) shall apply to such Underwritten Block Trade. In the event the Company or a Demand Party requests a Company Underwritten Block Trade or an Underwritten Block Trade, as applicable, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Section 2.1 or in this Section 2.2, any holder of Shares who does not constitute a Holder shall have no right to notice of or to participate in such Company Underwritten Block Trade or Underwritten Block Trade, as applicable.

(b) The Company, subject to Sections 2.3 and 2.6 and the final sentence of Section 2.2(a), may elect to include in any registration statement and offering pursuant to demand registration rights by any Person or otherwise, (i) authorized but unissued Shares or Shares held by the Company as treasury shares and (ii) any other Shares that are requested to be included in such registration pursuant to the exercise of piggyback registration rights granted by the Company on or after the date hereof and that are not inconsistent with the rights granted in, or otherwise conflict with the terms of, this Agreement ("<u>Additional Piggyback Rights</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, with respect to any underwritten offering, including a block trade, such inclusion shall be permitted only to the extent that it is pursuant to, and subject to, the terms of the underwriting agreement or arrangements, if any, entered into by the Initiating Holders or the Majority Participating Holders in such underwritten offering.

(c) If, at any time after giving a Piggyback Notice and prior to the effective date of the registration statement filed in connection with such registration, (i) any Initiating Holder determines for any reason not to proceed with the proposed registration, the Company may at its election give written notice of such determination to each Holder of record of Registrable Securities and thereupon will be relieved of its obligation to register any Registrable Securities in connection with such registration and (ii) other than in connection with a Demand Registration, the Company shall determine for any reason not to register or to delay registration of such equity securities, the Company may, at its election, give written notice of such determination to all Holders of record of Registrable Securities and (x) in the case of a determination not to register, shall be relieved of its obligation to register any Registrable Securities in connection with such abandoned registration, without prejudice, however, to the rights of Holders under Section 2.1, and (y) in the case of a determination to delay such registration of its equity securities, shall be permitted to delay the registration of such Registrable Securities for the same period as the delay in registering such other equity securities.

(d) Any Holder shall have the right to withdraw its request for inclusion of its Registrable Securities in any registration statement pursuant to this Section 2.2 by giving written notice to the Company of its request to withdraw; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such request must be made in writing prior to the earlier of the execution of the underwriting agreement or the execution of the custody agreement with respect to such registration or as otherwise required by the underwriters.

#### 2.3. <u>Allocation of Securities Included in Registration Statement.</u>

(a) If any requested registration made pursuant to Section 2.1 (including a Shelf Underwriting) involves (x) an underwritten offering and the Manager of such offering shall advise the Company and any Holder of Registrable Securities included in such underwritten offering that, in its view, the number of securities requested to be included in such underwritten offering by the Holders of Registrable Securities, the Company or any other Persons exercising Additional Piggyback Rights exceeds the largest number (the "Section 2.3(a)(x) Sale Number") that can be sold in an orderly manner in such underwritten offering within a price range acceptable to the Initiating Holders and the Majority Participating Holders or (y) an Underwritten Block Trade and the number of securities requested to be included in such Underwritten Block Trade by the Holders of Registrable Securities or any other Persons exceeds the number of Shares that are sold in any such Underwritten Block Trade (the "Section 2.3(a) Block Trade Sale Number" and, together with the Section 2.3(a)(x) Sale Number, the "Section 2.3(a) Sale Number"), the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to include in such underwritten offering:

(i) first, all Registrable Securities requested to be included in such underwritten offering by the Holders thereof (including pursuant to the exercise of piggyback rights pursuant to Section 2.2(a)); provided, however, that if the number of such Registrable Securities exceeds the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number, the number of such Registrable Securities (not to exceed the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number) to be included in such underwritten offering shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Holders requesting that Registrable Securities be included in such underwritten offering (including pursuant to the exercise of piggyback rights pursuant to Section 2.2(a)), based on the number of Registrable Securities then owned by each such Holder requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of Registrable Securities owned by all Holders requesting inclusion;

(ii) second, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clause (i) of this Section 2.3(a) is less than the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number, any securities that the Company proposes to register or sell, up to the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number; and

(iii) third, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 2.3(a) is less than the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number, the remaining securities to be included in such underwritten offering shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Persons requesting that securities be included in such underwritten offering pursuant to the exercise of Additional Piggyback Rights ("Additional Piggyback Shares"), based on the number of Additional Piggyback Shares then owned by each Person requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of Additional Piggyback Shares owned by all Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(a) Sale Number.

(b) If any registration or offering made pursuant to Section 2.2 involves (x) an underwritten primary offering on behalf of the Company after the date hereof and the Manager shall advise the Company that, in its view, the number of securities requested to be included in such underwritten offering by the Holders of Registrable Securities, the Company or any other Persons exercising Additional Piggyback Rights exceeds the largest number (the "Section 2.3(b)(x) Sale Number") that can be sold in an orderly manner in such underwritten offering within a price range acceptable to the Company or (y) a Company Underwritten Block Trade and the number of securities requested to be included in such Company Underwritten Block Trade by the Company, the Holders of Registrable Securities or any other Persons exceeds the number of Shares that are sold in any such Company Underwritten Block Trade (the "Section 2.3(b) Block Trade Sale Number" and, together with the Section 2.3(b)(x) Sale Number, the "Section 2.3(b) Sale Number"), the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to include in such underwritten offering:

(i) first, all equity securities that the Company proposes to register or sell for its own account;

(ii) second, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clause (i) of this Section 2.3(b) is less than the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number, the remaining Registrable Securities to be included in such underwritten offering shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Holders requesting that Registrable Securities be included in such underwritten offering pursuant to the exercise of piggyback rights pursuant to Section 2.2(a), based on the number of Registrable Securities then owned by each such Holder requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of Registrable Securities owned by all Holders requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number; and

(iii) third, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities to be included pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 2.3(b) is less than the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number, the remaining securities to be included in such underwritten offering shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Persons requesting that securities be included in such underwritten offering pursuant to the exercise of Additional Piggyback Rights, based on the number of Additional Piggyback Shares then owned by each Person requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of Additional Piggyback Shares owned by all Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(b) Sale Number.

(c) If any registration pursuant to Section 2.2 involves an underwritten offering that was initially requested by any Person(s) (other than a Holder) to whom the Company has granted registration rights that are not inconsistent with the rights granted in, and do not otherwise conflict with the terms of, this Agreement and the Manager shall advise the Company that, in its view, the number of securities requested to be included in such underwritten offering exceeds the number (the "Section 2.3(c) Sale Number") that can be sold in an orderly manner in such underwritten offering within a price range acceptable to the Company, the Company shall include in such underwritten offering:

(i) first, the shares requested to be included in such underwritten offering shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among such Person(s) requesting the registration and all Holders requesting that Registrable Securities be included in such underwritten offering pursuant to the exercise of piggyback rights pursuant to Section 2.2(a), based on the aggregate number of securities or Registrable Securities, as applicable, then owned by each of the foregoing requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of securities or Registrable Securities, as applicable, owned by all such Holders and Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number;

(ii) second, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities and securities to be included pursuant to clause (i) of this Section 2.3(c) is less than the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number, the remaining securities to be included in such underwritten offering shall be allocated on a pro rata basis among all Persons requesting that securities be included in such underwritten offering pursuant to the exercise of Additional Piggyback Rights, based on the number of Additional Piggyback Shares then owned by each Person requesting inclusion in relation to the aggregate number of Additional Piggyback Shares owned by all Persons requesting inclusion, up to the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number; and

(iii) third, to the extent that the number of Registrable Securities and securities to be included pursuant to clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 2.3(c) is less than the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number, the remaining securities to be included in such underwritten offering shall be allocated to shares the Company proposes to register or sell for its own account, up to the Section 2.3(c) Sale Number.

(d) If, as a result of the proration provisions set forth in clauses (a), (b) or (c) of this Section 2.3, any Holder shall not be entitled to include all Registrable Securities in an underwritten offering that such Holder has requested be included, such Holder may elect to withdraw such Holder's request to include Registrable Securities in the registration to which such underwritten offering relates or may reduce the number requested to be included; provided, however, that (x) such request must be made in writing prior to the earlier of the execution of the underwriting agreement or the execution of the custody agreement with respect to such registration and (y) such withdrawal or reduction shall be irrevocable, and after making such withdrawal or reduction, such Holder shall no longer have any right to include Registrable Securities in the registration as to which such withdrawal or reduction was made to the extent of the Registrable Securities so withdrawn or reduced.

2.4. <u>Registration Procedures</u>. If and whenever the Company is required by the provisions of this Agreement to effect or cause the registration of and/or participate in any offering or sale of any Registrable Securities under the Securities Act as provided in this Agreement (or use reasonable best efforts to accomplish the same), the Company shall, as expeditiously as reasonably possible:

prepare and file all filings with the SEC and FINRA required for the consummation of the offering, including preparing and filing with (a) the SEC a registration statement on an appropriate registration form of the SEC for the disposition of such Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended method of disposition thereof, which registration form (i) shall be selected by the Company (except as provided for in a Demand Registration Request) and (ii) shall, in the case of a shelf registration, be available for the sale of the Registrable Securities by the selling Holders thereof, and such registration statement shall comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the applicable registration form and include all financial statements required by the SEC to be filed therewith, and the Company shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause such registration statement to become effective and remain continuously effective for such period as any Participating Holder pursuant to such registration statement shall request (provided, however, that as far in advance as reasonably practicable before filing a registration statement or prospectus or any amendments or supplements thereto, or comparable statements under securities or state "blue sky" laws of any jurisdiction, or any free writing prospectus related thereto, the Company will furnish to the Demand Parties, each counsel for the Participating Holders and counsel for the Manager, if any, copies of reasonably complete drafts of all such documents proposed to be filed (including all exhibits thereto and each document incorporated by reference therein to the extent then required by the rules and regulations of the SEC), which documents will be subject to the reasonable review and reasonable comment of such counsel (including any objections to any information pertaining to any Participating Holder and its plan of distribution and otherwise to the extent necessary, if at all, to complete the filing or maintain the effectiveness thereof), and the Company shall make the changes reasonably requested by such counsel and shall not file any registration statement or amendment thereto, any prospectus or supplement thereto or any free writing prospectus related thereto to which any Selling Shareholders Counsel or counsel for the Majority Participating Holders or the underwriters, if any, shall reasonably object); provided, however, that, notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall the Company be required to file any document with the SEC that in the view of the Company or its counsel contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make any statement therein not misleading; provided, further, that any Participating Holder shall be entitled to review and provide reasonable comment on disclosure regarding itself included or proposed to be included in any such filing;

(b) (i) prepare and file with the SEC such amendments and supplements to such registration statement and the prospectus used in connection therewith and such free writing prospectuses and Exchange Act reports as may be necessary to keep such registration statement continuously effective for such period as any Participating Holder pursuant to such registration statement shall request and to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act with respect to the sale or other disposition of all Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement, and any prospectus so supplemented to be filed pursuant to Rule 424 under the Securities Act, in accordance with the intended methods of disposition by the seller or sellers thereof set forth in such registration statement, and (ii) provide notice to such sellers of Registrable Securities and the Manager, if any, of the Company's reasonable determination that a post-effective amendment to a registration statement would be appropriate;

(c) furnish, without charge, to each Participating Holder and each underwriter, if any, of the securities covered by such registration statement such number of copies of such registration statement, each amendment and supplement thereto (in each case including all exhibits), the prospectus included in such registration statement (including each preliminary prospectus and any summary prospectus) and any other prospectus filed under Rule 424 under the Securities Act, each free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith, in each case, in all material respects in conformity with the requirements of the Securities Act, and other documents, as such seller and underwriter may reasonably request in order to facilitate the public sale or other disposition of the Registrable Securities owned by such seller (the Company hereby consenting to the use in accordance with all applicable laws of each such registration statement (or amendment or post-effective amendment thereto) and each such prospectus (or preliminary prospectus or supplement thereto) or free writing prospectus by each such Participating Holder and the underwriters, if any, in connection with the offering and sale of the Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement or prospectus);

(d) use its reasonable best efforts to register or qualify the Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement under such other securities or state "blue sky" laws of such jurisdictions as any sellers of Registrable Securities or any managing underwriter, if any, shall reasonably request in writing, and do any and all other acts and things that may be reasonably necessary or advisable to enable such sellers or underwriter, if any, to consummate the disposition of the Registrable Securities in such jurisdictions in accordance with the intended methods of disposition (including keeping such registration or qualification in effect for so long as such registration statement remains in effect), except that in no event shall the Company be required to qualify to do business as a foreign corporation in any jurisdiction where it would not, but for the requirements of this paragraph (d), be required to be so qualified, to subject itself to taxation in any such jurisdiction or to consent to general service of process in any such jurisdiction;

promptly notify each Participating Holder and each managing underwriter, if any: (i) when the registration statement, any pre-effective amendment, the prospectus or any prospectus supplement related thereto, any post-effective amendment to the registration statement or any free writing prospectus has been filed with the SEC and, with respect to the registration statement or any post-effective amendment, when the same has become effective; (ii) of any request by the SEC or state securities authority for amendments or supplements to the registration statement or the prospectus related thereto or for additional information; (iii) of the issuance by the SEC of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the registration statement or the initiation of any proceedings for that purpose; (iv) of the receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of any Registrable Securities for sale under the securities or state "blue sky" laws of any jurisdiction or the initiation of any proceeding for such purpose; (v) of the existence of any fact of which the Company becomes aware that results in the registration statement or any amendment thereto, the prospectus related thereto or any supplement thereto, any document incorporated therein by reference, any free writing prospectus or the information conveyed to any purchaser at the time of sale to such purchaser containing an untrue statement of a material fact or omitting to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make any statement therein not misleading (which notice shall notify the Participating Holders only of the occurrence of such an event and shall provide no additional information regarding such event to the extent such information would constitute material non-public information); and (vi) if at any time the representations and warranties contemplated by any underwriting agreement, securities sale agreement or other similar agreement relating to the offering shall cease to be true and correct; and, if the notification relates to an event described in clause (v), unless the Company has declared that a Postponement Period exists, the Company shall promptly prepare and furnish to each such seller and each underwriter, if any, a reasonable number of copies of a prospectus supplemented or amended so that, as thereafter delivered to the purchasers of such Registrable Securities, such prospectus shall not include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein in the light of the circumstances under which they were made not misleading;

(f) comply (and continue to comply) with all applicable rules and regulations of the SEC (including, without limitation, maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f)) in accordance with the Exchange Act), and make generally available to its security holders, as soon as reasonably practicable after the effective date of the registration statement (and in any event within forty-five (45) days, or ninety (90) days if it is a fiscal year, after the end of such twelve month period described hereafter), an earnings statement (which need not be audited) covering the period of at least twelve (12) consecutive months beginning with the first day of the Company's first calendar quarter after the effective date of the registration statement, which earnings statement shall satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Securities Act and Rule 158 thereunder;

(g) (i) cause all such Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement to be listed on the principal securities exchange on which similar securities issued by the Company are then listed (if any), if the listing of such Registrable Securities is then permitted under the rules of such exchange, and (ii) comply (and continue to comply) with the requirements of any self-regulatory organization applicable to the Company, including without limitation all corporate governance requirements;

(h) cause its senior management, officers, employees and independent public accountants (in the case of the independent public accountants, subject to any applicable accounting guidance regarding their participation in the offering or the due diligence process) and other experts to participate in, make themselves available, supply such information as may reasonably be requested and to otherwise facilitate and cooperate with the preparation of the registration statement and prospectus and any amendments or supplements thereto (including participating in meetings, drafting sessions, due diligence sessions and rating agency presentations) taking into account the Company's reasonable business needs;

(i) provide and cause to be maintained a transfer agent and registrar for all such Registrable Securities covered by such registration statement not later than the effective date of such registration statement and, in the case of any secondary equity offering, provide and enter into any reasonable agreements with a custodian for the Registrable Securities;

(j) enter into such customary agreements (including, if applicable, an underwriting agreement) and take such other actions as the Initiating Holder or the Majority Participating Holders or the underwriters shall reasonably request in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities;

(k) use its reasonable best efforts (i) to obtain opinions from the Company's counsel, including local counsel, and a "cold comfort" letter, updates thereof and consents from the independent public accountants who have certified the financial statements of the Company (and/or any other financial statements) included or incorporated by reference in such registration statement, in each case, in customary form and covering such matters as are customarily covered by such opinions and "cold comfort" letters (including, in the case of such "cold comfort" letter, events subsequent to the date of such financial statements) delivered to underwriters in underwritten public offerings, which opinions and letters shall be dated the dates such opinions and "cold comfort" letters are customarily dated and otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the underwriters, if any, and to the Majority Participating Holders and to furnish to each Participating Holder upon its request and to each underwriter, if any, a copy of such opinions and letters addressed to such underwriter and each Participating Holder to the extent permitted by the Company's independent public accountants;

(1) deliver promptly to each Demand Party, to each counsel for the Participating Holders and to each managing underwriter, if any, copies of all correspondence between the SEC and the Company, its counsel or auditors and all memoranda relating to discussions with the SEC or its staff with respect to the registration statement, and, upon receipt of such confidentiality agreements as the Company may reasonably request, make reasonably available for inspection by each counsel for the Participating Holders, by counsel for any underwriter participating in any disposition to be effected pursuant to such registration statement and by any attorney, accountant or other agent retained by the Participating Holders or any such underwriter, all pertinent financial and other records, pertinent corporate documents and properties of the Company, and cause all of the Company's officers, directors and employees to supply all information reasonably requested by any such counsel for the Participating Holders, counsel for an underwriter, attorney, accountant or agent in connection with such registration statement;

(m) use its reasonable best efforts to prevent the issuance or obtain the withdrawal of any order suspending the effectiveness of the registration statement, or the lifting of any suspension of the qualification of any of the Registrable Securities for sale in any jurisdiction, in each case, as promptly as reasonably practicable;

(n) provide a CUSIP number for all Registrable Securities, not later than the effective date of the registration statement and, if applicable, provide the applicable transfer agent with printed certificates for the Registrable Securities that are in a form eligible for deposit with The Depository Trust Company;

(o) use its commercially reasonable efforts to make available its senior management and employees for participation in "road shows" and other marketing efforts and otherwise provide reasonable assistance to the underwriters (taking into account the Company's reasonable business needs and the requirements of the marketing process) in the marketing of Registrable Securities in any underwritten offering;

(p) promptly prior to the filing of any document that is to be incorporated by reference into the registration statement or the prospectus (after the initial filing of such registration statement), and prior to the filing or use of any free writing prospectus, provide copies of such document to each counsel for the Participating Holders and to each managing underwriter, if any, and make the Company's representatives reasonably available for discussion of such document and make such changes in such document concerning the Participating Holders prior to the filing thereof as such counsel for the Participating Holders or underwriters may reasonably request (provided, however, that, notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall the Company be (i) required to file any document with the SEC that in the view of the Company or its counsel contains an untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make any statement therein not misleading or (ii) prohibited from filing any document with the SEC that the Company or its counsel reasonably believes to be required by law to be so filed);

(q) furnish to each counsel for the Participating Holders upon its request, to each Demand Party upon its request and to each managing underwriter, without charge, upon request, at least one conformed copy of the registration statement and any post-effective amendments or supplements thereto, including financial statements and schedules, all documents incorporated therein by reference, the prospectus contained in such registration statement (including each preliminary prospectus and any summary prospectus), any other prospectus and prospectus supplement filed under Rule 424 under the Securities Act and all exhibits (including those incorporated by reference) and any free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith;

(r) cooperate with the Participating Holders and the managing underwriter, if any, to facilitate the timely preparation and delivery of certificates not bearing any restrictive legends representing the Registrable Securities to be sold, and cause such Registrable Securities to be issued in such denominations and registered in such names in accordance with the underwriting agreement at least one (1) Business Day prior to any sale of Registrable Securities to the underwriters or, if not an underwritten offering, in accordance with the instructions of the Participating Holders at least one (1) Business Day prior to any sale of Registrable Securities and instruct any transfer agent and registrar of Registrable Securities to release any stop transfer orders in respect thereof (and, in the case of Registrable Securities not bearing any restrictive legends and deliver or cause to be delivered an opinion or instructions to the transfer agent in order to allow such Registrable Securities to be sold from time to time);

(s) use its commercially reasonable efforts to prepare for inclusion and include in any prospectus or prospectus supplement if requested by any managing underwriter updated financial or business information for the Company's most recent period or current quarterly period (including estimated results or ranges of results) if required for purposes of marketing the offering in the view of the managing underwriter;

(t) take no direct or indirect action prohibited by Regulation M under the Exchange Act; provided, however, that to the extent that any prohibition is applicable to the Company, the Company will use its reasonable best efforts to make any such prohibition inapplicable;

(u) use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Registrable Securities covered by the applicable registration statement to be registered with or approved by such other governmental agencies or authorities as may be necessary to enable the Participating Holders or the underwriters, if any, to consummate the disposition of such Registrable Securities in accordance with the intended methods thereof;

(v) take all such other commercially reasonable actions as are necessary or advisable in order to expedite or facilitate the disposition of such Registrable Securities;

(w) take all reasonable action to ensure that any free writing prospectus utilized in connection with any registration covered by Section 2.1 or 2.2 complies in all material respects with the Securities Act, is filed in accordance with the Securities Act to the extent required thereby, is retained in accordance with the Securities Act to the extent required thereby, will not conflict with a related prospectus, prospectus supplement and related documents and, when taken together with the related prospectus, prospectus supplement and related documents, will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading;

(x) in connection with any underwritten offering, if at any time the information conveyed to a purchaser at the time of sale includes any untrue statement of a material fact or omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, promptly file with the SEC such amendments or supplements to such information as may be necessary so that the statements as so amended or supplemented will not, in the light of the circumstances, be misleading;

(y) to the extent required by the rules and regulations of FINRA, retain a Qualified Independent Underwriter acceptable to the managing underwriter; and

(z) use its commercially reasonable efforts to cooperate with the managing underwriters, their counsel, the Participating Holders and each counsel for the Participating Holders in connection with the preparation and filing of any applications, notices, registrations and responses to requests for additional information with FINRA, the New York Stock Exchange, Nasdaq, or any other national securities exchange on which the Registrable Securities are or are to be listed.

To the extent the Company is a WKSI at the time any Demand Registration Request is submitted to the Company, and such Demand Registration Request requests that the Company file an automatic shelf registration statement (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) (an "<u>automatic shelf registration statement</u>") on Form S-3, the Company shall file an automatic shelf registration statement that covers those Registrable Securities that are requested to be registered. To the extent the Company has filed an automatic shelf registration statement, the Company shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to remain a WKSI (and not become an ineligible issuer (as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act)) during the period during which such automatic shelf registration statement, the Company shall pay the applicable filing fee related to such Registrable Securities at the time of filing of the automatic shelf registration statement. If the automatic shelf registration statement has been outstanding for at least three (3) years, at or prior to the end of the third year, the Company shall, upon request, refile a new automatic shelf registration statement covering the Registrable Securities that remain outstanding. If at any time when the Company is required to re-evaluate its WKSI status the Company determines that it is not a WKSI, the Company shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to refile the shelf registration statement on Form S-3 and, if such form is not available, Form S-1 and keep such registration statement effective.

If the Company files any shelf registration statement for the benefit of the holders of any of its securities other than the Holders, and the Holders do not request that their Registrable Securities be included in such Shelf Registration Statement, the Company agrees that it shall include in such registration statement such disclosures as may be required by Rule 430B under the Securities Act (referring to the unnamed selling security holders in a generic manner by identifying the initial offering of the securities to the Holders) in order to ensure that the Holders may be added to such shelf registration statement at a later time through the filing of a prospectus supplement rather than a post-effective amendment.

The Company may require as a condition to the Company's obligations under this Section 2.4 that each Participating Holder as to which any registration is being effected (i) furnish the Company such information regarding such seller and the distribution of such securities as the Company may from time to time reasonably request; provided that such information is necessary for the Company to consummate such registration and shall be used only in connection with such registration, and (ii) provide any underwriters participating in the distribution of such securities such information as the underwriters may request and execute and deliver any agreements, certificates or other documents as the underwriters may request.

Each Holder of Registrable Securities agrees that, upon receipt of any notice from the Company of the happening of any event of the kind described in clause (v) of paragraph (e) of this Section 2.4, such Holder will discontinue such Holder's disposition of Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement covering such Registrable Securities until such Holder's receipt of the copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus contemplated by paragraph (e) of this Section 2.4 and, if so directed by the Company, will deliver to the Company (at the Company's expense) all copies, other than permanent file copies, then in such Holder's possession of the prospectus covering such Registrable Securities that was in effect at the time of receipt of such notice. In the event the Company shall give any such notice, the applicable period mentioned in paragraph (d) of Section 2.1 shall be extended by the number of days during such period from and including the date of the giving of such notice to and including the date when each Participating Holder covered by such registration statement shall have received the copies of the supplemented or amended prospectus contemplated by paragraph (e) of this Section 2.4. The period(s) during which the Holders are required to discontinue disposition of securities pursuant to this paragraph shall not exceed forty-five (45) days with respect to any one such period within any 365 day period (either alone or in combination with a Postponement Period pursuant to Section 2.1(b) hereof).

The Company agrees not to include in any registration statement or any amendment to any registration statement with respect to any Registrable Securities, or in any prospectus, or any amendment of or supplement to the prospectus, or any free writing prospectus, any disclosure that refers to any Holder covered thereby by name, or otherwise identifies such Holder, without the consent of such Holder, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld or delayed, unless such disclosure is required by law, in which case the Company shall provide written notice to such Holder no less than five (5) Business Days prior to the filing. If any such registration statement or comparable statement under state "blue sky" laws refers to any Holder by name or otherwise as the Holder of any securities of the Company, then such Holder shall have the right to require the insertion therein of language, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to such Holder and the Company, to the effect that the holding by such Holder of such securities is not to be construed as a recommendation by such Holder of the investment quality of the Company's securities covered thereby and that such holding does not imply that such Holder will assist in meeting any future financial requirements of the Company.

To the extent that any Holder is or may be deemed to be an "underwriter" of Registrable Securities pursuant to any SEC comments or policies, the Company agrees that (1) the indemnification and contribution provisions contained in Section 2.9 shall be applicable to the benefit of such Holder in its role as an underwriter or deemed underwriter in addition to its capacity as a Holder and (2) such Holder shall be entitled to conduct the due diligence that an underwriter would normally conduct in connection with an offering of securities registered under the Securities Act, including without limitation receipt of customary opinions and comfort letters addressed to such Holder.

#### 2.5. <u>Registration Expenses</u>.

(a) The Company shall pay all Expenses with respect to any registration or offering of Registrable Securities pursuant to Section 2, whether or not a registration statement becomes effective or the offering is consummated.

(b) Notwithstanding the foregoing, (x) the provisions of this Section 2.5 shall be deemed amended to the extent necessary to cause these expense provisions to comply with state "blue sky" laws of each state in which the offering is made and (y) in connection with any underwritten offering hereunder, each Participating Holder shall pay all underwriting discounts and commissions and any transfer taxes, if any, attributable to the sale of such Registrable Securities, pro rata with respect to payments of discounts and commissions in accordance with the number of shares sold in the offering by such Holder. In addition, each Participating Holder shall pay the expenses of its own counsel and advisors, except to the extent provided in the definition of "Expenses."

2.6. <u>Certain Limitations on Registration Rights</u>. In the case of any registration under Section 2.1 involving an underwritten offering or, in the case of a registration under Section 2.2, if the Company has determined to enter into an underwriting agreement in connection therewith, all securities to be included in such underwritten offering shall be subject to such underwriting agreement and no Person may participate in such underwritten offering unless such Person (i) agrees to sell such Person's securities on the basis provided therein and completes and executes all reasonable questionnaires and other documents (including custody agreements and powers of attorney, if any) that must be executed in connection therewith; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that all such documents shall be consistent with the provisions hereof and (ii) provides such other information to the Company or the underwriter as may be necessary to register such Person's securities.

#### 2.7. Limitations on Sale or Distribution of Other Securities.

Each Holder agrees, (i) to the extent requested by a managing underwriter, if any, of any underwritten public offering in which one or (a) more Holders is selling Shares pursuant to a registration or offering effected pursuant to Section 2.1 (including any Shelf Underwriting pursuant to Section 2.1(e)), not to sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of, including any sale pursuant to Rule 144, any Shares or Share Equivalents (other than as part of such underwritten public offering) during the time period reasonably requested by the managing underwriter, not to exceed ninety (90) days from the pricing date of such offering or such shorter period as the managing underwriter, the Company or any executive officer or director of the Company shall agree to (and the Company hereby also so agrees (except that the Company may effect any sale or distribution of any such securities pursuant to a registration on Form S-4 or Form S-8, or any successor or similar form that (x) is then in effect or (y) shall become effective upon the conversion, exchange or exercise of any then outstanding Share Equivalents), to use its reasonable best efforts to cause each holder of any equity security or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any equity security of the Company purchased from the Company at any time other than in a public offering, and all directors and executive officers of the Company, to so agree), and (ii) to the extent requested by a managing underwriter of any underwritten public offering in which one or more Holders is selling Shares pursuant to the exercise of piggyback rights under Section 2.2 hereof, not to sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of, including any sale pursuant to Rule 144, any Shares or Share Equivalents (other than as part of such underwritten public offering) during the time period reasonably requested by the managing underwriter, which period shall not exceed ninety (90) days from the pricing date of such offering or such shorter period as the managing underwriter, the Company or any executive officer or director of the Company shall agree to. In the circumstances specified in this Section 2.7(a), each Holder agrees to execute and deliver customary lock-up agreements for the benefit of the underwriters with such form and substance as the managing underwriter shall reasonably determine.

(b) The Company hereby agrees that, in connection with an offering pursuant to Section 2.1 (including any Shelf Underwriting pursuant to Section 2.1(e)) or Section 2.2, the Company shall not sell, transfer, or otherwise dispose of, any Shares or Share Equivalents (other than as part of such underwritten public offering, a registration on Form S-4 or Form S-8 or any successor or similar form that is (x) then in effect or (y) shall become effective upon the conversion, exchange or exercise of any then outstanding Share Equivalents), until a period of ninety (90) days (or such shorter period to which the Majority Participating Holders shall agree) shall have elapsed from the pricing date of such offering, except to the extent otherwise agreed to by the underwriters as provided in any lock-up agreement required in connection with such offering; and the Company shall (i) so provide in any registration rights agreements hereafter entered into with respect to any of its securities and (ii) use its reasonable best efforts to cause each holder of any equity security or any security convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for any equity security of the Company purchased from the Company at any time other than in a public offering and all directors and executive officers of the Company to so agree.

2.8. <u>No Required Sale</u>. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to create an independent obligation on the part of any Holder to sell any Registrable Securities pursuant to any effective registration statement. A Holder is not required to include any of its Registrable Securities in any registration statement, is not required to sell any of its Registrable Securities that are included in any effective registration statement, may sell any of its Registrable Securities in any manner in compliance with applicable law (including pursuant to Rule 144) even if such shares are already included on an effective registration statement, and may request that Registrable Securities be registered or sold pursuant to a registration statement even if such Shares are eligible to be sold pursuant to Rule 144.

#### 2.9. Indemnification.

In the event of any registration or offer and sale of any securities of the Company under the Securities Act pursuant to this Section 2, the (a) Company will (without limitation as to time), and hereby agrees to, and hereby does, indemnify and hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by law, each Participating Holder, its directors, officers, fiduciaries, employees, stockholders, members, general and limited partners, Affiliates, successors and assigns (and the directors, officers, fiduciaries, employees, stockholders, members, general and limited partners, Affiliates, successors and assigns thereof), each other Person who participates as a seller (and its directors, officers, fiduciaries, employees, stockholders, members, general and limited partners, Affiliates, successors and assigns), underwriter or Qualified Independent Underwriter, if any, in the offering or sale of such securities, each officer, director, employee, stockholder, fiduciary, managing director, agent, Affiliate, consultant, representative, successor, assign or partner of such underwriter or Qualified Independent Underwriter, and each other Person, if any, who controls (within the meaning of Section 15 of the Securities Act or Section 20 of the Exchange Act) any such Participating Holder, seller or any such underwriter or Qualified Independent Underwriter and each director, officer, employee, stockholder, fiduciary, managing director, Affiliate, successor, assign or partner of such controlling Person (and all controlling Persons of any such Persons or other controlling Persons), from and against any and all losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, actions or proceedings (whether commenced or threatened) and expenses (including reasonable fees of counsel and any amounts paid in any settlement effected with the Company's consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed) to which each such indemnified party may become subject under the Securities Act or otherwise in respect thereof (collectively, "Claims"), insofar as such Claims arise out of, are based upon, relate to or are in connection with (i) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any registration statement under which such securities were registered under the Securities Act or the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, (ii) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any preliminary, final or summary prospectus or any amendment or supplement thereto, together with the documents incorporated by reference therein, or any free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith, or the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, (iii) any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact in the information conveyed by the Company or any underwriter to any purchaser at the time of the sale to such purchaser, or the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein, or (iv) any violation by the Company of any federal, state or common law rule or regulation applicable to the Company and relating to any action required of or inaction by the Company in connection with any such offering of Registrable Securities, and the Company will reimburse any such indemnified party for any documented legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the Company shall not be liable to any such indemnified party in any such case to the extent such Claim arises out of or is based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission of a material fact made in such registration statement or amendment thereof or supplement thereto or in any such prospectus or any preliminary, final or summary prospectus or free writing prospectus in reliance upon and in strict conformity with written information furnished to the Company by or on behalf of such indemnified party specifically for use therein. Such indemnity and reimbursement of expenses shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of such indemnified party and shall survive the transfer of such securities by such seller.

Each Participating Holder (and, if the Company requires as a condition to including any Registrable Securities in any registration (b)statement filed in accordance with Section 2.1 or 2.2, any underwriter and Oualified Independent Underwriter, if any) shall, severally and not jointly. indemnify and hold harmless (in the same manner and to the same extent as set forth in paragraph (a) of this Section 2.9) to the extent permitted by law the Company, its officers who signed the applicable registration statement and its directors, each Person controlling the Company within the meaning of the Securities Act and all other prospective sellers and their directors, officers, stockholders, fiduciaries, managing directors, Affiliates, successors, assigns or general and limited partners and respective controlling Persons with respect to any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of any material fact in, or omission or alleged omission of any material fact from, such registration statement, any preliminary, final or summary prospectus contained therein, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith, if such statement or alleged statement or omission or alleged omission was made in reliance upon and in strict conformity with written information furnished to the Company or its representatives by or on behalf of such Participating Holder, such underwriter or such Qualified Independent Underwriter, if any, as applicable, specifically for use therein, and each such Participating Holder, such underwriter or such Qualified Independent Underwriter, if any, as applicable, shall reimburse such indemnified party for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the aggregate amount that any such Participating Holder shall be required to pay pursuant to this Section 2.9 (including pursuant to indemnity, contribution or otherwise) shall in no case be greater than the amount of the net proceeds actually received by such Participating Holder upon the sale of the Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement giving rise to such Claim; provided, further, that such Participating Holder shall not be liable in any such case to the extent that prior to the filing of any such registration statement or prospectus or amendment thereof or supplement thereto, or any free writing prospectus utilized in connection therewith, such Participating Holder has furnished in writing to the Company information expressly for use in such registration statement or prospectus or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto or free writing prospectus that corrected or made not misleading information previously furnished to the Company. The Company and each Participating Holder hereby acknowledge and agree that, unless otherwise expressly agreed to in writing by such Participating Holders to the contrary, for all purposes of this Agreement, the only information furnished or to be furnished to the Company for use in any such registration statement, preliminary, final or summary prospectus or amendment or supplement thereto, or any free writing prospectus, are statements specifically relating to (i) the beneficial ownership of Shares by such Participating Holder and its Affiliates as disclosed in the section of such document entitled "Selling Shareholders" or "Principal and Selling Shareholders" or other variations thereof and (ii) the name and address of such Participating Holder. If any additional information about such Holder or the plan of distribution (other than for an underwritten offering) is required by law to be disclosed in any such document, then such Holder shall not unreasonably withhold its agreement referred to in the immediately preceding sentence. Such indemnity and reimbursement of expenses shall remain in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of such indemnified party and shall survive the transfer of such securities by such Holder.

(c) Indemnification similar to that specified in the preceding paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section 2.9 (with appropriate modifications) shall be given by the Company and each Participating Holder with respect to any required registration or other qualification of securities under any applicable securities and state "blue sky" laws.

Any Person entitled to indemnification under this Agreement shall notify promptly the indemnifying party in writing of the (d) commencement of any action or proceeding with respect to which a claim for indemnification may be made pursuant to this Section 2.9, but the failure of any indemnified party to provide such notice shall not relieve the indemnifying party of its obligations under the preceding paragraphs of this Section 2.9, except to the extent the indemnifying party is materially and actually prejudiced thereby and shall not relieve the indemnifying party from any liability that it may have to any indemnified party otherwise than under this Section 2. In case any action or proceeding is brought against an indemnified party and such indemnified party shall have notified the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof (as required above), the indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate therein and, unless in the reasonable opinion of outside counsel to the indemnified party a conflict of interest between such indemnified and indemnifying parties may exist in respect of such Claim, to assume the defense thereof jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to the extent that it chooses, with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party, and after notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party that it so chooses, the indemnifying party shall not be liable to such indemnified party for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation; provided, however, that (i) if the indemnifying party fails to take reasonable steps necessary to defend diligently the action or proceeding within twenty (20) days after receiving notice from such indemnified party that the indemnified party believes it has failed to do so or (ii) if such indemnified party who is a defendant in any action or proceeding that is also brought against the indemnifying party reasonably shall have concluded that there may be one or more legal or equitable defenses available to such indemnified party that are not available to the indemnifying party or that may conflict with or are different from those available to another indemnified party with respect to such Claim or (iii) if representation of both parties by the same counsel is otherwise inappropriate under applicable standards of professional conduct, then, in any such case, the indemnified party shall have the right to assume or continue its own defense and the indemnifying party shall be liable for any expenses therefor. No indemnifying party shall, without the written consent of the indemnified party, effect the settlement or compromise of, or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, any pending or threatened action or claim in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder (whether or not the indemnified party is an actual or potential party to such action or claim) unless such settlement, compromise or judgment (A) includes an unconditional release of the indemnified party from all liability arising out of such action or claim and (B) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act, by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

If for any reason the foregoing indemnity is unavailable, unenforceable or is insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under (e) Sections 2.9(a), (b) or (c), then each applicable indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable to such indemnified party as a result of any Claim in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of the indemnifying party, on the one hand, and the indemnified party, on the other hand, with respect to such Claim. The relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the indemnifying party or the indemnified party and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such untrue statement or omission. If, however, the allocation provided in the second preceding sentence is not permitted by applicable law, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only such relative faults but also the relative benefits of the indemnifying party and the indemnified party as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The parties hereto agree that it would not be just and equitable if any contribution pursuant to this Section 2.9(e) were to be determined by pro rata allocation or by any other method of allocation that does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in the preceding sentences of this Section 2.9(e). The amount paid or payable in respect of any Claim shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such Claim. No Person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any Person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. Notwithstanding anything in this Section 2.9(e) to the contrary, no indemnifying party (other than the Company) shall be required pursuant to this Section 2.9(e) to contribute any amount greater than the amount of the net proceeds received by such indemnifying party from the sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to the registration statement giving rise to such Claim, less the amount of any indemnification payment made by such indemnifying party pursuant to Sections 2.9(b) and (c). In addition, no Holder of Registrable Securities or any Affiliate thereof shall be required to pay any amount under this Section 2.9(e) unless such Person or entity would have been required to pay an amount pursuant to Section 2.9(b) if it had been applicable in accordance with its terms.

(f) The indemnity and contribution agreements contained herein shall be in addition to any other rights to indemnification or contribution that any indemnified party may have pursuant to law or contract and shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made or omitted by or on behalf of any indemnified party and shall survive the transfer of the Registrable Securities by any such party.

(g) The indemnification and contribution required by this Section 2.9 shall be made by periodic payments of the amount thereof during the course of the investigation or defense, as and when bills are received or expense, loss, damage or liability is incurred; provided, however, that the recipient thereof hereby undertakes to repay such payments if and to the extent it shall be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction that such recipient is not entitled to such payment hereunder.

2.10. <u>Limitations on Registration of Other Securities; Representation</u>. From and after the date of this Agreement, the Company shall not, without the prior written consent of the Major Holders, enter into any agreement with any holder or prospective holder of any securities of the Company giving such holder or prospective holder any registration rights the terms of which are (i) more favorable taken as a whole than the registration rights granted to the Holders hereunder unless the Company shall also give such rights to the Holders or (ii) on parity with the registration rights granted to the Holders hereunder.

2.11. <u>No Inconsistent Agreements</u>. The Company shall not hereafter enter into any agreement with respect to its securities that is inconsistent in any material respects with the rights granted to the Holders in this Agreement.

#### Section 3. <u>Underwritten Offerings</u>.

3.1. Requested Underwritten Offerings. If requested by the underwriters for any underwritten offering pursuant to a registration requested under Section 2.1, the Company shall enter into a customary underwriting agreement with the underwriting agreement shall (i) be satisfactory in form and substance to the Majority Participating Holders, (ii) contain terms not inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement to the extent the underwriters of such offering agree to such terms and (iii) contain such representations and warranties by, and such other agreements on the part of, the Company and such other terms as are generally prevailing in agreements of that type, including, without limitation, indemnities and contribution agreements on substantially the same terms as those contained herein or as otherwise customary for the lead underwriter for such offering and agreed to by the Majority Participating Holders. Any Participating Holder shall be a party to such underwriting agreement and may, at its option, require that any or all of the representations and warranties by, and the other agreements on the part of, the Company to and for the benefit of such underwriters shall also be made to and for the benefit of such Participating Holder and that any or all of the conditions precedent to the obligations of such underwriters under such underwriting agreement be conditions precedent to the obligations of such Participating Holder; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to make any representations or warranties with respect to written information specifically provided by a Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement. Unless otherwise agreed by the Majority Participating Holders and the underwriters, each such Participating Holder shall not be required to make any representations or warranties to or agreements with the Company or the underwriters other than representations, warranties or agreements regarding such Participating Holder, its ownership of and title to the Registrable Securities, any written information specifically provided by such Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement and its intended method of distribution; and any liability of such Participating Holder to any underwriter or other Person under such underwriting agreement for indemnity, contribution or otherwise shall in no case be greater than the amount of the net proceeds received by such Participating Holder upon the sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to such underwriting agreement and in no event shall relate to anything other than information about such Holder specifically provided by such Holder for use in the registration statement and prospectus (in each case unless otherwise agreed by the underwriters and the Majority Participating Holders).

3.2. Piggyback Underwritten Offerings. In the case of a registration pursuant to Section 2.2, if the Company shall have determined to enter into an underwriting agreement in connection therewith, all of the Participating Holders' Registrable Securities to be included in such registration shall be subject to such underwriting agreement. Any Participating Holder shall be a party to such underwriting agreement and may, at its option, require that any or all of the representations and warranties by, and the other agreements on the part of, the Company to and for the benefit of such underwriters shall also be made to and for the benefit of such Participating Holder and that any or all of the conditions precedent to the obligations of such underwriters under such underwriting agreement be conditions precedent to the obligations of such Participating Holder; provided, however, that the Company shall not be required to make any representations or warranties with respect to written information specifically provided by a Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement. Unless otherwise agreed by the Majority Participating Holders and the underwriters, each such Participating Holder shall not be required to make any representations or warranties to or agreements with the Company or the underwriters other than representations, warranties or agreements regarding such Participating Holder, its ownership of and title to the Registrable Securities, any written information specifically provided by such Participating Holder for inclusion in the registration statement and its intended method of distribution; and any liability of such Participating Holder to any underwriter or other Person under such underwriting agreement shall in no case be greater than the amount of the net proceeds received by such Participating Holder upon the sale of Registrable Securities pursuant to such underwriting agreement and in no event shall relate to anything other than information about such Holder specifically provided by such Holder for use in the registration statement and prospectus (in each case unless otherwise agreed by the underwriters and Majority Participating Holders).

#### Section 4. General.

4.1. Adjustments Affecting Registrable Securities. The Company agrees that it shall not effect or permit to occur any combination or subdivision of Shares that would adversely affect the ability of any Holder of any Registrable Securities to include such Registrable Securities in any registration contemplated by this Agreement or the marketability of such Registrable Securities in any such registration. Subject to the foregoing, the Company agrees that it will take all reasonable steps necessary to effect a subdivision of Shares if in the reasonable judgment of (a) the Majority Participating Holders or (b) the managing underwriter for the offering in respect of a Demand Registration Request, such subdivision would enhance the marketability of the Registrable Securities. Each Holder agrees to vote all of its shares of capital stock in a manner, and to take all other actions reasonably necessary, to permit the Company to carry out the intent of the preceding sentence, including, without limitation, voting in favor of an amendment to the Company's organizational documents in order to increase the number of authorized shares of capital stock of the Company. In any event, the provisions of this Agreement shall apply, to the full extent set forth herein with respect to the Registrable Securities, to any and all shares of capital stock of the Company, any successor or assign of the Company (whether by merger, share exchange, consolidation, sale of assets or otherwise) or any Subsidiary or parent company of the Company that may be issued in respect of, in exchange for or in substitution of, Registrable Securities and shall be appropriately adjusted for any stock dividends, splits, reverse splits, combinations, recapitalizations and the like occurring after the date hereof.

4.2. <u>Rule 144 and Rule 144A</u>. The Company covenants that (i) so long as it remains subject to the reporting provisions of the Exchange Act, it will timely file the reports required to be filed by it under the Securities Act or the Exchange Act (including, but not limited to, the reports under Sections 13 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act referred to in subparagraph (c)(1)(i) of Rule 144 under the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended ("<u>Rule 144</u>")) or, if the Company is not required to file such reports, it will, upon the request of any Holder, make publicly available other information so long as necessary to permit sales by such Holder under Rule 144, Rule 144A under the Securities Act, as such Rule may be amended ("<u>Rule 144A</u>"), or any similar rules or regulations hereafter adopted by the SEC, and (ii) it will take such further action as any Holder may reasonably request, all to the extent required from time to time to enable such Holder to sell Registrable Securities without registration under the Securities Act within the limitation of the exemptions provided by (A) Rule 144, (B) Rule 144A or (C) any similar rule or regulation hereafter adopted by the SEC. Upon the request of any Holder desires to sell Registrable Securities pursuant to Rule 144, the Company agrees to provide customary instructions to the transfer agent to remove any restrictive legends from such Shares and to provide or cause any customary opinions of counsel to be delivered to the transfer agent in connection with any such sale. In addition, the Company agrees to remove any restrictive legend from the Registrable Securities upon the reasonable request of any Holder as soon as reasonably permitted by applicable law and customary practice (including customary transfer agent practices).

4.3. <u>Nominees for Beneficial Owners</u>. If Registrable Securities are held by a nominee for the beneficial owner thereof, the beneficial owner thereof may, at its option, be treated as the Holder of such Registrable Securities for purposes of any request or other action by any Holder or Holders of Registrable Securities pursuant to this Agreement (or any determination of any number or percentage of shares constituting Registrable Securities held by any Holder or Holders of Registrable Securities contemplated by this Agreement); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the Company shall have received assurances reasonably satisfactory to it of such beneficial ownership.

4.4. <u>Amendments and Waivers</u>. Except as otherwise provided herein, no modification, amendment or waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall be effective against the Company or any Holder unless such modification, amendment or waiver is approved in writing by the Company and the Major Holders. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed to or shall constitute a waiver of any other provision hereof (whether or not similar). No failure or delay on the part of any party in exercising any right, power or privilege hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof or of any other or future exercise of any such right, power or privilege.

4.5. <u>Notices</u>. All notices, requests, consents, claims, demands, waivers and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given (a) when delivered by hand (with written confirmation of receipt); (b) when received by the addressee if sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier (receipt requested); (c) on the date sent by facsimile or email of a PDF document (with confirmation of transmission) if sent during normal business hours of the recipient, and on the next Business Day if sent after normal business hours of the recipient or (d) on the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) day after the date mailed, by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid. Such communications must be sent to the respective parties at the following addresses (or at such other address for a party as shall be specified in a notice given in accordance with this Section 4.5):

if to the Company:

AeroClean Technologies, Inc. 10455 Riverside Drive Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410 Attention: Jason DiBona Email: jdibona@aeroclean.com

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer US LLP 601 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10022 Attention: Valerie Ford Jacob E-mail: valerie.jacob@freshfields.com

if to Amin J. Khoury:

Amin J. Khoury c/o AeroClean Technologies, Inc. 10455 Riverside Drive Palm Beach Gardens, Florida 33410 Attention: Amin J. Khoury Email: ajk@kadlp.com with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer US LLP 601 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10022 Attention: Valerie Ford Jacob E-mail: valerie.jacob@freshfields.com

if to Crosslink Capital, Inc.

Crosslink Capital, Inc. 2 Embarcadero Center, St. 2200 San Francisco, CA 094110 Attn: Eric Chin and Phil Boyer

if to the Foundry Group Next, L.P.:

Foundry Group Next, L.P. 645 Walnut Street Boulder, CO 80306 Attention: Brad Feld Email: brad@foundrygroup.com

with a copy to (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Fenwick & West LLP Silicon Valley Center 801 California Street Mountain View, CA 94041 Email: Cynthia Hess, chess@fenwick.com and Thomas Kang, tkang@fenwick.com

If to any other Holder, at such Holder's address as set forth on such Holder's signature page hereto or to an Assumption Agreement.

4.6. <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the parties hereto and the respective successors, permitted assigns, heirs and personal representatives of the parties hereto, whether so expressed or not. This Agreement may not be assigned by the Company without the prior written consent of the Major Holders. No Holder shall have the right to assign all or part of its rights and obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other parties hereto; provided, that any Holder may assign this Agreement to one or more of its Affiliates without the prior written consent of the other parties hereto, and any Holder may assign this Agreement to one or more third parties who acquire Shares from such Holder other than in a public underwritten offering or sales generally into the open market pursuant to Rule 144; provided, further, that such Holder's Affiliate (or Affiliates) or other permitted transferee executes and delivers to the Company an Assumption Agreement. Upon any such assignment, such assignee shall have and be able to exercise and enforce all rights of the assigning Holder that are assigned to it and, to the extent such rights are assigned, any reference to the assigning Holder shall be treated as a reference to the assignee. If any Holder shall acquire additional Registrable Securities, such Registrable Securities shall be subject to all of the terms, and entitled to all the benefits, of this Agreement.

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4.7. Entire Agreement. This Agreement and the other documents referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto that form part hereof constitute the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, relating to the subject matter hereof.

4.8. <u>Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State of New York without giving effect to any choice or conflict of law provision or rule (whether of the State of New York or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than those of the State of New York.

Any legal suit, action or proceeding arising out of or based upon this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be brought in the federal or state courts located in the State of New York, and each party irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts (and the appropriate appellate courts therefrom) in any such suit, action or proceeding. The parties irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the laying of venue of any suit, action or any proceeding in any such court and irrevocably waive and agree not to plead or claim in any such court that any such suit, action or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum. Service of process, summons, notice or other document by certified or registered mail to such party's address set forth herein shall be effective service of process for any suit, action or other proceeding brought in any such court.

EACH PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY THAT MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES AND, THEREFORE, EACH PARTY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LEGAL ACTION ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY. EACH PARTY CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (A) NO REPRESENTATIVE OR AGENT OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER IN THE EVENT OF A LEGAL ACTION, (B) SUCH PARTY UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF THIS WAIVER, (C) SUCH PARTY MAKES THIS WAIVER VOLUNTARILY, AND (D) SUCH PARTY HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 4.8.

## 4.9. <u>Interpretation; Construction</u>.

(a) The table of contents and headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only, do not constitute part of this Agreement and shall not be deemed to limit or otherwise affect any of the provisions hereof. Where a reference in this Agreement is made to a Section, such reference shall be to a Section of this Agreement unless otherwise indicated. Whenever the words "include," "includes" or "including" are used in this Agreement, they shall be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation."

(b) The parties have participated jointly in negotiating and drafting this Agreement. In the event that an ambiguity or a question of intent or interpretation arises, this Agreement shall be construed as if drafted jointly by the parties, and no presumption or burden of proof shall arise favoring or disfavoring any party by virtue of the authorship of any provision of this Agreement.

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4.10. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed and delivered in any number of separate counterparts (including by facsimile or electronic mail), each of which shall be an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

4.11. <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed severable and the invalidity or unenforceability of any provision shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the other provisions hereof. If any provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any person or any circumstance, is invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefor in order to carry out, so far as may be valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such invalid or unenforceable provision and (b) the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected by such invalidity or unenforceability, nor shall such invalidity or unenforceability affect the validity or enforceability of such provision, or the application thereof, in any other jurisdiction.

4.12. <u>Remedies</u>. The parties hereto agree that irreparable damage would occur in the event that any of the provisions of this Agreement were not performed in accordance with their specific terms or were otherwise breached. It is accordingly agreed that each party hereto shall be entitled to an injunction or injunctions to prevent breaches of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of this Agreement, without the posting of any bond, and, if any action should be brought in equity to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement, none of the parties hereto shall raise the defense that there is an adequate remedy at law. All remedies, either under this Agreement, by law, or otherwise afforded to any party, shall be cumulative and not alternative.

4.13. <u>Further Assurances</u>. Each party hereto shall do and perform or cause to be done and performed all such further acts and things and shall execute and deliver all such other agreements, certificates, instruments and documents as any other party hereto reasonably may request in order to carry out the intent and accomplish the purposes of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.

4.14. <u>Restructuring</u>. To the extent that the Board of the Company elects to effect a restructuring or recapitalization of the Company or substantially all of the business of the Company through a subsidiary or parent company of the Company or otherwise, the provisions of this Agreement shall be appropriately adjusted, and the Holders and the Company shall enter into such further agreements and arrangements as shall be reasonably necessary or appropriate to provide such Holders with substantially the same registration rights as they would have under this Agreement, giving due consideration to the nature of the new public entity, the nature of the securities to be offered and tax and other relevant considerations.

4.15. <u>Opt-Out Rights</u>. Each Holder shall have the right, at any time and from time to time (including after receiving information regarding any potential public offering), to elect to not receive any notice that the Company or any other Holders otherwise are required to deliver pursuant to this Agreement by delivering to the Company a written statement signed by such Holder that it does not want to receive any notices hereunder (an "<u>Opt-Out Request</u>"); in which case and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Company and other Holders shall not be required to, and shall not, deliver any notice or other information required to be provided to Holders hereunder to the extent that the Company or such other Holders reasonably expect would result in a Holder acquiring material non-public information within the meaning of Regulation FD promulgated under the Exchange Act. An Opt-Out Request may state a date on which it expires or, if no such date is specified, shall remain in effect indefinitely. A Holder who previously has given the Company an Opt-Out Request may revoke such request at any time, and there shall be no limit on the ability of a Holder to issue and revoke subsequent Opt-Out Requests; provided, that each Holder shall use commercially reasonable efforts to minimize the administrative burden on the Company arising in connection with any such Opt-Out Requests.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have duly executed this Agreement as of the date first above written.

# AEROCLEAN TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

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	Jason DiBona
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By:	/s/ Amin J. Khoury
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-	Brad Feld
	Managing Director
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By:	/s/ Maureen Offer
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#### **ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT**

This Assumption Agreement (this "<u>Assumption Agreement</u>") is made as of [\_\_\_], by and among [\_\_\_] (the "<u>Transferring Holder</u>") and [\_\_\_] (the "<u>New Holder</u>"), in accordance with that certain Amended and Restated Registration Rights Agreement, dated as of January 12, 2023 (as amended from time to time, the "<u>Agreement</u>"), by and among (i) AeroClean Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), (ii) Amin J. Khoury, (iii) Crosslink Capital, Inc., (iv) Foundry Group Next, L.P. and (v) the other Holders named therein.

WHEREAS, the Agreement requires the New Holder, as a condition to the assignment of Transferring Holder's rights under the Agreement, to become a party to the Agreement by executing this Assumption Agreement, and upon the New Holder signing this Assumption Agreement, the Agreement will be deemed to be amended to include the New Holder thereunder;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the foregoing, and of the representations, warranties, covenants and agreements contained herein, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Section 1 <u>Party to the Agreement</u>. By execution of this Assumption Agreement, as of the date hereof, the New Holder is hereby made a party to the Agreement with all rights and obligations of [a Major Holder][a Holder]. The New Holder hereby agrees to become a party to the Agreement and to be bound by, and subject to, all of the representations, covenants, terms and conditions of the Agreement that are applicable to, and assignable under the Agreement by, the Transferring Holder, in the same manner as if the New Holder were an original signatory to the Agreement. Execution and delivery of this Assumption Agreement by the New Holder shall also constitute execution and delivery by the New Holder of the Agreement, without further action of any party.

Section 2 <u>Defined Terms</u>. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Agreement unless otherwise noted.

#### Section 3 Representations and Warranties of the New Holder.

3.1 <u>Authorization</u>. The New Holder has all requisite [corporate] power and authority and has taken all action necessary in order to duly and validly approve the New Holder's execution and delivery of, and performance of its obligations under, this Assumption Agreement. This Assumption Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the New Holder and constitutes a legal, valid and binding agreement of the New Holder, enforceable against the New Holder in accordance with its terms.

3.2 <u>No Conflict</u>. The New Holder is not under any obligation or restriction, whether or otherwise, nor shall it assume any such obligation or restriction, that does or would materially interfere or conflict with the performance of its obligations under this Assumption Agreement.

Section 4 <u>Further Assurances</u>. Each party hereto shall do and perform or cause to be done and performed all such further acts and things and shall execute and deliver all such other agreements, certificates, instruments and documents as any other party hereto reasonably may request in order to carry out the intent and accomplish the purposes of this Assumption Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.

Section 5 <u>Governing Law; Submission to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the State of New York without giving effect to any choice or conflict of law provision or rule (whether of the State of New York or any other jurisdiction) that would cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than those of the State of New York.

Any legal suit, action or proceeding arising out of or based upon this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be brought in the federal or state courts located in the State of New York, and each party irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts (and the appropriate appellate courts therefrom) in any such suit, action or proceeding. The parties irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the laying of venue of any suit, action or any proceeding in any such court and irrevocably waive and agree not to plead or claim in any such court that any such suit, action or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum. Service of process, summons, notice or other document by certified or registered mail to such party's address set forth herein shall be effective service of process for any suit, action or other proceeding brought in any such court.

EACH PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY CONTROVERSY THAT MAY ARISE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT ISSUES AND, THEREFORE, EACH PARTY IRREVOCABLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN RESPECT OF ANY LEGAL ACTION ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY. EACH PARTY CERTIFIES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT (A) NO REPRESENTATIVE OR AGENT OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER IN THE EVENT OF A LEGAL ACTION, (B) SUCH PARTY UNDERSTANDS AND HAS CONSIDERED THE IMPLICATIONS OF THIS WAIVER, (C) SUCH PARTY MAKES THIS WAIVER VOLUNTARILY, AND (D) SUCH PARTY HAS BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION 5.

Section 6 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Assumption Agreement may be executed and delivered in any number of separate counterparts (including by facsimile or electronic mail), each of which shall be an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.

Section 7 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Assumption Agreement, the Agreement and the other documents referred to herein or delivered pursuant hereto that form part hereof constitute the entire agreement and understanding between the parties hereto, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, relating to the subject matter hereof.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, intending to be legally bound hereby, the undersigned parties have executed this Assumption Agreement as of the date first above written.

TRANSFERRING HOLDER []
By: Name: Title:
NEW HOLDER [] By:
Name: Title:
Notice Address: [] [] Attention: [] Facsimile: [] Email: []

Accepted and Agreed to as of the date first written above:

# **CORPORATION**

AEROCLEAN TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

By:

Name: Title:

## AMENDMENT TO THE EXECUTIVE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

#### January 12, 2023

This Amendment to the Executive Employment Agreement (the "Amendment"), is made as of the Effective Date (as defined below), between Molekule Group, Inc. (f/k/a AeroClean Technologies, Inc.) ("Company") and Jonathan Harris ("Executive").

WHEREAS, Company and Executive entered into an employment agreement (the "Employment Agreement"), effective as of January 12, 2023 (the "Effective Date") providing for Executive's title as Chief Marketing & Product Development Officer and the parties hereto wish to amend the Employment Agreement to revise Executive's title;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto hereby amend the Employment Agreement as follows, effective as of the Effective Date:

The first sentence of Section 1 of the Employment Agreement is amended to read as follows:

Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Executive's position with Company will be Chief Commercial Officer, reporting to Company's Chief Executive Officer.

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

Jonathan Harris

/s/ Jonathan Harris Signature Address: MOLEKULE GROUP, INC.

By: /s/ Ryan Tyler

Name: Ryan Tyler Title: Chief Financial Officer

#### **CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS**

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-1 (No. 333-266086) and Form S-8 (Nos. 333-264889, 333-261396, and 333-261395) of AeroClean Technologies, Inc. of our report dated October 1, 2022, except for the effects of the reverse stock split discussed in Note 11, as to which the date is November 9, 2022, relating to the financial statements of Molekule, Inc., which appears in AeroClean Technologies, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-4 (No. 333-268872).

/s/ PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

San Francisco, California January 12, 2023

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### AeroClean Technologies and Molekule Announce the Close of All-Stock Merger

- Establishes an industry-leading provider of premium, FDA-cleared air purification products and solutions
- Positions the combined company to selectively pursue additional value-creating M&A opportunities within the broader indoor air quality ("IAQ") and cleantech industries
- Powerful brand value and large installed base of over 350,000 air purification units creates an opportunity to drive recurring revenues through consumables and the launch of a software solution to monitor and control air quality on an enterprise-wide basis
- Recent developments include the release of Molekule's PECO-HEPA Tri-Power Filter for Air Pro, Air Mini+ and Air Mini; AeroClean's Pūrgo™ air purifier receiving FDA clearance for the elimination of SARS-CoV-2
- AeroClean to change its name to Molekule Group, Inc. and begin trading under new ticker symbol (NASDAQ: MKUL)

January 12, 2023 – Palm Beach Gardens, FL – AeroClean Technologies ("AeroClean") (Nasdaq: AERC), an air hygiene technology company, and Molekule, Inc. ("Molekule"), a market leader for premium air purifiers, today have successfully completed the all-stock merger transaction that was announced on October 3, 2022 (the "Merger"). Under the terms of the Merger, AeroClean stockholders now own approximately 50.5%, and Molekule stockholders own approximately 49.5%, of the outstanding shares of common stock of the combined company. Effective at 9:00 a.m. eastern time on January 12, 2023, AeroClean changed its name and ticker symbol to Molekule Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: MKUL).

The combined company has the largest range of proprietary and patented, FDA-cleared air purification devices to address the estimated \$15 billion, rapidly growing global air purification market. The combined company on a pro forma basis would have generated approximately \$48 million of revenues in FY 2022, and approximately \$13 million of revenues in the fourth quarter. The combined company also offers a Software-as-a-service ("SaaS") software solution for B2B businesses, further enabling facility managers to monitor and control individual room air quality on an enterprise-wide basis.

"The completion of the Merger resulted from an extensive process by management and the board to combine with a leading brand in the IAQ sector and represents an important step in the indoor air purification sector for customers and businesses alike," stated Amin Khoury, Chairman of the Board of the combined company. "For the first time, we are now able to offer an extensive range of FDA-cleared air purifiers to address some of the largest threats to air quality. Our Merger combines two suites of propriety and patented technologies and paves the way for the innovation of further cutting-edge, IAQ technology and solutions to provide enterprise-wide clean indoor air to our clients. Furthermore, this transaction provides the combined company with the scale to pursue organic and inorganic opportunities for growth to enhance stockholder value."

"We are excited to further drive innovation and momentum in the indoor air purification space as a combined company by bringing together two unique skillsets and capabilities that position us to provide leading IAQ products and solutions to our clients," said Jason DiBona, Chief Executive Officer of the combined company. "We look forward to supporting this period of renaissance within the IAQ sector as regulatory bodies like the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) are working expeditiously to develop and codify standards with the White House, which through public funding initiatives such as the American Rescue Plan, is committing over \$500 billion to support their initiatives. We are excited to bring new products and solutions to our clients to help them meet their IAQ guidelines on an enterprise-wide basis, while also achieving their sustainability and ESG objectives. The combined company expects to assist its clients in meeting their objectives through its existing broad offering of patented, FDA-cleared devices, the introduction of its enterprise monitoring and control software, and the pursuit of strategic, accretive acquisition opportunities. Through these initiatives, we expect to not only accelerate growth and enhance our offering, but also create long-term stockholder value."



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#### **Recent Developments**

Molekule recently announced the launch of its new PECO-HEPA Tri-Power Filter for Air Pro, Air Mini+ and Air Mini. The new filter combines the true HEPA 99.97% particle-capture efficiency rate with Molekule's very own patented PECO technology, which destroys organic pollutants including viruses, bacteria, mold, allergens, volatile organic compounds, chemicals and more from the air. The powerful, triple-layered filter is finished with a final layer of carbon filtration to reduce odors and toxic gases, delivering clean, crisp air. This makes it one of the most advanced filters on the market with the ability to destroy a wide range of pollutants compared to conventional filters. Molekule also recently began collaboration with key customers across the US who have deployed thousands of Molekule premium air purifiers throughout portions of their office spaces and enterprises. The combined company expects to collaborate with several of these important customers to accelerate the development of its Safe Air as a Service, IAQ monitoring and internet-of-things ("IoT") device control solution that will help improve customer IAQ and measure sustainability and ESG metrics across their enterprises.

AeroClean was also recently granted FDA 510k clearance (K223328) to update its  $P\bar{u}rgo^{TM}$  air purifier's indications for use to include the elimination of SARS-CoV-2, the RNA virus that causes COVID-19. This joins Molekule's products, which also have FDA 510(k) clearance, and were proven to destroy SARs-CoV-2.

#### Leadership and Structure

Under the terms of the Merger, AeroClean's executive team, CEO Jason DiBona and CFO Ryan Tyler, will remain in their roles, while Molekule's CEO Jonathan Harris will transition to CCO (Chief Commercial Officer) of the combined company and Ronti Pal, who leads finance, administration, research and development at Molekule, will become the combined company's COO (Chief Operating Officer). The seven-member AeroClean Board of Directors will be expanded to eight members, with Brad Feld, Molekule board member and co-founder of venture capital firm Foundry, joining the combined company's Board. Amin Khoury will assume a more active role as Non-Executive Chairman at the combined company. The combined company will remain headquartered in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, with significant operations in Lakeland, Florida and offices in San Francisco, California.

### About AeroClean Technologies

AeroClean is a pathogen elimination technology company on a mission to keep work, play and life going by improving indoor air quality. Our air hygiene product,  $P\bar{u}rgo^{TM}$  (pure-go), is an FDA 510(k) cleared, Class II medical device that provides continuous air filtration, sanitization and supplemental ventilation solutions with technology that can be applied in any indoor space - including in hospitals, offices, even in elevators.  $P\bar{u}rgo^{TM}$  products feature SteriDuct<sup>TM</sup>, a proprietary germicidal technology developed by our best-in-class aerospace engineers, medical scientists and innovators that work to eradicate viral, fungal, and bacterial airborne microorganisms. Our purpose is simple: to never stop innovating solutions that keep people healthy and safe, so life never stops. Learn more at aeroclean.com.

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## **About Molekule**

Molekule is on a mission to provide clean indoor air to everyone, everywhere. Based on 25 years of research and development, the company's patented photo electrochemical oxidation (PECO) technology destroys a wide range of pollutants, including VOCs, mold, bacteria, viruses, and allergens, when compared to conventional filters. Molekule's range of air purification solutions have been reviewed and validated by third-party laboratories, as well as continual internal testing, and its medical-grade products have been granted medical device clearance by the FDA.

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#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are based upon current beliefs and expectations of our management and are subject to known and unknown risks and uncertainties. Words or expressions such as "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "estimates," "may," "will," "projects," "could," "should," "seek," "forecast," or other similar expressions help identify forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause actual events to differ include, but are not limited to:

- · our total addressable market;
- · general economic conditions in the markets where we operate;
- the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and related prophylactic measures;
- the expected timing of regulatory approvals and product launches;
- non-performance of third-party vendors and contractors;
- risks related to our ability to successfully sell our products and the market reception to and performance of our products;
- our compliance with, and changes to, applicable laws and regulations;
- our limited operating history;
- our ability to manage growth;
- our ability to obtain additional financing when and if needed;
- · our ability to expand product offerings;

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- our ability to compete with others in our industry;
- our ability to protect our intellectual property;
- the ability of certain existing stockholders to determine the outcome of matters which require stockholder approval;
- our ability to retain the listing of our common stock on Nasdaq;
- · our ability to defend against legal proceedings;
- · our success in retaining or recruiting, or changes required in, our officers, key employees or directors;
- the ability to successfully integrate the businesses after the completion of the Merger;
- our ability to achieve the expected benefits from the Merger within the expected time frames or at all;
- the incurrence of unexpected costs, liabilities or delays relating to the Merger;
- the risk that the public assigns a lower value to Molekule's business than the value used in negotiating the terms of the Merger;
- the risk that the Merger may not be accretive to our stockholders;
- the risk that the Merger may prevent us from acting on future opportunities to enhance stockholder value;
- the risk that any goodwill or identifiable intangible assets recorded due to the Merger could become impaired; and
- other economic, business, competitive, and regulatory factors affecting the businesses of the company generally, including but not limited to those set forth in the AeroClean's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including in the "Risk Factors" section of AeroClean's information statement/prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 21, 2022, and other SEC filings.

Forward looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks and uncertainties, and actual results may differ materially from those in the forward looking statements as a result of various factors. Although the combined company believes that the expectations reflected in the forward looking statements are reasonable based on information currently available, the combined company cannot assure you that the expectations will prove to have been correct. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on these forward looking statements. In any event, these statements speak only as of the date of this release. The Molekule Group, Inc. assumes no obligation to revise or update any of the forward looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this release or to reflect new information or the occurrence of unanticipated events.