IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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In re:	:	Chapter 15
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CATALYST PAPER CORP., et al.,	:	Case No. 12-10221 (PJW)
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Debtors. ¹	:	Jointly Administered
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TENTH DECLARATION OF BRIAN BAARDA

I, Brian Baarda, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am the Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer of Catalyst Paper Corporation ("CPC"), the authorized foreign representative of the above-captioned debtors (collectively, the "Debtors" and, together with the Debtors' non-Debtor affiliates, the "Company"). I have held these positions since November 2009. I joined the Company in 1989 and have worked in several locations and held a number of senior accounting and analysis positions until moving to the operations side of the Company in 2001 as the pulp mill manager at the former Elk Falls Division until 2003. From 2003 to 2005, I held the position of Vice President, Supply Chain. From 2005 to April 2008, I was the Vice President of the Powell River Division of CPC. From April 2008 to November 2009, I was the Vice President of Operations.

These jointly administered cases are those of the following Debtors: 0606890 B.C. Ltd., Catalyst Paper

Corporation, Catalyst Paper Energy Holdings Inc., Catalyst Paper General Partnership, Catalyst Pulp and Paper Sales Inc., Catalyst Pulp Operations Ltd., Catalyst Pulp Sales Inc., Elk Falls Pulp and Paper Ltd., and Pacifica Poplars Ltd. (collectively, the "Canadian Debtors") in addition to Catalyst Paper Holdings Inc., Pacifica Papers U.S. Inc., Pacifica Poplars Inc., Pacifica Papers Sales Inc., Catalyst Paper (USA) Inc., Catalyst Paper (Recycling) Inc., Catalyst Paper (Snowflake) Inc., and The Apache Railway Company (collectively, the "U.S. Debtors").

- 2. I am authorized by the Debtors to make this declaration (the "Tenth Declaration"). I submit this Tenth Declaration in further support of the Debtors' *Motion for Order (I)*Recognizing and Enforcing CCAA Sanction Order, (II) Approving Settlement Among the Debtors and 2014 Noteholders, and (III) Approving the Sale of Securities in Exchange for Claims

 Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 2002 and 9019 and 11 U.S.C. §§ 105(a), 363, 1507, 1525, and 1527 (the "U.S. Sanction Motion") [Docket No. 154].²
- been aware of and consistently informed of matters concerning the (i) the Second Amended and Restated Plan of Compromise and Arrangement of the Debtors (the "Second Amended Plan"), (ii) the order of the Canadian Court sanctioning, authorizing, and approving the Second Amended Plan entered on June 28, 2012 (as amended, the "CCAA Sanction Order"), (iii) the Settlement and Support Agreement dated June 22, 2012 (the "Settlement Agreement") by and among CPC and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates and certain holders or investment advisers or managers of discretionary accounts that hold 7.375% Senior Notes due March 1, 2014 (the "Supporting 2014 Noteholders") signatory thereto, and (iv) the proposed sale of securities to certain creditors in exchange for claims against CPC and in full satisfaction of such claims pursuant to the terms of the Second Amended Plan. True and correct copies of the CCAA Sanction Order, the Second Amended Plan, and the Settlement Agreement are attached hereto as Exhibit B, and Exhibit C respectively.
- 4. Except as otherwise indicated, all facts set forth in this Tenth Declaration in support of the U.S. Sanction Motion are based upon my personal knowledge, information

² Unless otherwise defined herein, capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the U.S. Sanction Motion.

supplied to me by other members of the Debtors' management and professionals, learned from my review of relevant documents, or upon my opinion based upon my experience and knowledge of the Debtors' industry, operations, and financial condition. I am an individual over the age of 18 and, if called upon to testify, I could and would testify competently to the facts set forth herein.

A. CCAA Plan Process

- 5. On March 11, 2012, the Company entered into an amended restructuring support agreement (as further amended, the "Amended RSA") with the representatives of certain 2014 Noteholders and certain 2016 Noteholders (collectively, the "Supporting Noteholders"). A true and correct copy of the Amended RSA is attached hereto as Exhibit D. Pursuant to the Amended RSA, the Supporting Noteholders and the Company began pursuing a restructuring of the debt obligations owed to the 2014 Noteholders and 2016 Noteholders under the auspices of a CCAA plan of compromise and arrangement. Also, pursuant to the Amended RSA, various milestones were put in place with respect to the Debtors' restructuring efforts, including the requirement the Debtors emerge from the CCAA Proceeding within forty-five (45) days³ of obtaining the CCAA Sanction Order (i.e., by August 13, 2012).
- 6. On March 22, 2012, the Company filed its first Plan of Compromise and Arrangement (the "Plan") with the Canadian Court. Further, on that date, the Canadian Court issued an order authorizing the Company to file the Plan and establishing a process by which Affected Creditors (as defined below) of the Debtors would vote on the Plan at the scheduled creditors' meeting to be held in Richmond, Canada (the "Creditors' Meeting"). Subsequently,

The requirement for emergence within forty-five (45) days of entry of the CCAA Sanction Order is contained within the Sixth Amendment to the Restructuring and Support Agreement dated May 15, 2012 (the "Sixth Amendment"). The Sixth Amendment is attached hereto with the Amended RSA as Exhibit D.

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the Company filed the Amended Plan of Compromise and Arrangement dated May 15, 2012 (the "Amended Plan"), which was the plan considered at the Creditors' Meeting held on May 23, 2012. Unfortunately, the Amended Plan was not approved at the Creditors' Meeting. While a sufficient number and amount of secured claims voted in favor of the Amended Plan, there was insufficient support among unsecured creditors which led to a failure of the Amended Plan (the "Plan Failure"). In fact, the majority of the 2014 Noteholders opposed the Amended Plan, which led to the Amended Plan's failure at the Creditors' Meeting. As a result of the Plan Failure, the Company commenced the process contemplated under the sale and investor solicitation procedures.

- 7. On June 14, 2012, in a renewed attempt to obtain a consensual arrangement and after significant negotiations with stakeholders, the Company filed the Second Amended and Restated Plan of Compromise and Arrangement (the "Second Amended Plan"), which requires an order from this Court enforcing the CCAA Sanction Order in order for its terms to be implemented. On June 18, 2012, the Canadian Court entered the Supplemental Meetings Order authorizing and directing the Company to convene another meeting of the creditors on June 25, 2012 (the "Supplemental Creditors' Meeting") to consider the Second Amended Plan.
- 8. At the Supplemental Creditors' Meeting, well over the statutory minimum of creditors voted in favor of the Second Amended Plan. In fact, over 99% of secured Affected Creditors (with allowed claims who voted), including the 2016 Noteholders, voted in favor of the Second Amended Plan, representing over 99% of the value of such affected, secured claims. Similarly, of the unsecured Affected Creditors on a combined basis, over 99% of the unsecured creditors (with allowed claims who voted) voted in favor of the Second Amended Plan, representing over 99% of the value of such affected, unsecured claims. Importantly, the vote of

the Supporting 2014 Noteholders in favor of the Second Amended Plan was vital to the Second Amended Plan winning approval.

9. The Canadian Court held a hearing with respect to the Second Amended Plan on June 28, 2012, at which time the Canadian Court sanctioned, authorized, and approved the Second Amended Plan. The CCAA Sanction Order was subsequently entered.

B. The Second Amended Plan

- 10. In general, the Second Amended Plan, which was drafted pursuant and subject to the Amended RSA, is intended to recapitalize the Company's secured debt and settle all unsecured, prepetition debt. In fact, under its terms the Debtors' secured debt would be reduced by approximately \$140 million upon emergence.
- 11. Prepared on a substantively consolidated basis, the Second Amended Plan treats claims against specific Debtors as claims against all Debtors, and treats the assets of each Debtor as assets of all entities. Further, under the Second Amended Plan, only holders of impaired claims (the "Affected Creditors") were entitled to vote; creditors holding unimpaired claims (the "Unaffected Creditors") were not impacted by the Second Amended Plan and were not entitled to vote at the Supplemental Creditors' Meeting.
- 12. Under the Second Amended Plan, the distribution to the 2014 Noteholders and the General Unsecured Proceeds Creditors will be either a *pro rata* share of (x) 50% of the net proceeds from the eventual sale of the Company's rights, title, and interests in Powell River Energy Inc., Powell River Energy Limited Partnership, and certain related indebtedness (the "PREI Proceeds Pool")⁴ or (y) up to 600,000 New Common Shares (i.e., 4% of the New

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The other 50% of proceeds from the eventual sale of the Company's rights, title, and interests in Powell River Energy Inc., Powell River Energy Limited Partnership, and certain related indebtedness will revert back to the Debtors' estates.

Common Shares). The Company has launched a process to sell the Company's rights, title, and interests in Powell River Energy Inc., Powell River Energy Limited Partnership, and certain related indebtedness (the "PREI Interests"). The sale is expected to complete after entry of the U.S. Sanction Order, however, the timing is dependant on market conditions and finding a suitable transaction. The Monitor has provided the Debtors and its creditors information that the estimated value of the PREI Interests will range from \$26.0 million to \$37.2 million, and indicated that this would leave approximately \$15.8 million in the PREI Proceeds Pool if a sale is accomplished in the midpoint. Further, in previous reports filed with the Canadian Court, the Monitor specifically noted that the PREI Interests would *eventually* be sold by the Debtors using "commercially reasonable" efforts and that such sale had not yet occurred, thereby alerting creditors to the uncertainty regarding the timing of this distribution.

13. Unsecured creditors electing the New Common Shares instead of a portion of the PREI Proceeds Pool (the "Equity Election Creditors") will receive the New Common Shares from one of the U.S. Debtors. Specifically, on the effective date of the Second Amended Plan, CPC will deliver the New Common Shares to Catalyst Paper (USA) Inc., which in turn will sell the securities to Equity Election Creditors in the United States (the "Sale"). As consideration for the Sale, the Equity Election Creditors will transfer their claims against CPC to Catalyst Paper (USA) Inc.

C. The Settlement Agreement

14. The Settlement Agreement includes the following key terms: (i) the Supporting 2014 Noteholders agreed to support the Second Amended Plan and vote their claims in favor of the Second Amended Plan at the Supplemental Creditors' Meeting, (ii) the Supporting 2014 Noteholders agreed not to pursue claims against directors and officers of the Debtors or against the Debtors, and (iii) the Debtors agreed to pay all documented legal fees and expenses of

counsel engaged by the Supporting 2014 Noteholders up to a maximum amount of US\$1.3 million. This last key term is similar to other settlements in which the Debtors have agreed to pay the documented legal fees and disbursements of settling creditor groups, including the retired salaried employees and the 2016 Noteholders.

- 15. On June 25, 2012, the Canadian Court entered an order approving the Settlement Agreement and authorizing the Debtors to take any actions necessary to effectuate such agreement. This settlement has made the CCAA restructuring a largely consensual process, thereby permitting the Debtors to avoid various applications and hearings typical in the Canadian Court in the context of a contested plan of compromise and arrangement.
- 16. Notably then, because both the Settlement Agreement and the Sale have already been the subject of applications filed and approved in Canada, all relevant parties in interest have already received ample notice of both the Settlement Agreement and the Sale.
- 17. In addition to the above, the relief requested in the U.S. Sanction Motion is necessary for the Debtors to obtain exit financing, which is a condition to implementation of the Second Amended Plan's procedures. In light of this need for financing and the Amended RSA requirement that the Debtors emerge by August 13, 2012, CPC has determined that it is in the best interests of their estates to clear all remaining obstacles to emergence (including entry of an order pursuant to the U.S. Sanction Motion) as soon as possible. Specifically, CPC has concluded that obtaining the relief sought by the U.S. Sanction Motion by the end of July is critical in order to maintain the plan process on track pursuant to the Amended RSA.
- 18. Based on the foregoing, I believe that the relief requested in the U.S. Sanction Motion is well-justified, necessary to a successful reorganization of the Debtors, and in the best interests of the Debtors and their creditors and should be granted in full.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America

that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Dated: Richmond, British Columbia, Canada July 6, 2012

> ∕s∕ Brian Baarda Brian Baarda

EXHIBIT A

CCAA Sanction Order



No. S120712 Vancouver Registry

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

SUPREME COURT R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

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AND

REGISTRY IN THE MATTER OF THE CANADA BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-44

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.B.C. 2002, c. 57

AND

IN THE MATTER OF CATALYST PAPER CORPORATION AND THE PETITIONERS LISTED IN SCHEDULE "A"

PETITIONERS

ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION

SANCTION ORDER

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE)	
MR. JUSTICE SEWELL)	3 /June/2012
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ON THE APPLICATION of the Petitioners and Catalyst Paper General Partnership (collectively, the "Petitioner Parties") coming on for hearing at Vancouver, British Columbia, on the 28 day of June, 2012; AND ON HEARING, Bill Kaplan, Q.C., Jeff Langlois, and Andrew Crabtree, counsel for the Petitioner Parties, John Grieve and Kibben Jackson, counsel for the Monitor PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc., and those other counsel listed in Schedule "B" hereto; AND UPON READING the material filed;

THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES THAT:

SERVICE

1. The time for service of the Notice of Application herein be and is hereby abridged and the Notice of Application is properly returnable today and service thereof upon any person other than those on the Service List be and is hereby dispensed with.

DEFINITIONS

2. Any capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Order (the "Sanction Order") shall have the meanings given to them in the Second Amended and Restated Plan of Compromise and Arrangement concerning, affecting and involving the Petitioner Parties dated June 14, 2012 (the "Plan"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule "C".

THE MEETINGS

- 3. There has been good and sufficient service and delivery to all Affected Creditors of the Orders granted by this Court on March 22, 2012 and on June 18, 2012 (the "Supplemental Meetings Order"), and all documents referred to in the Supplemental Meetings Order, including the Plan and the Information Package (as defined in the Supplemental Meetings Order).
- 4. The Unsecured Creditors Meeting was duly convened and held in conformity with the CCAA and all applicable Orders of the Court made in these proceedings, including the Supplemental Meetings Order.
- 5. The First Lien Noteholders Meeting was duly convened and held in conformity with the CCAA and all applicable Orders of the Court made in these proceedings, including the Supplemental Meetings Order.

SANCTION OF THE PLAN

6. The two relevant classes of Affected Creditors for the purpose of voting to approve the Plan are the First Lien Notes Claims Class and the Unsecured Claims Class.

- 7. The Plan has been agreed to and approved by the Required Majorities of each Class in conformity with the CCAA.
- 8. The Petitioner Parties have complied with the provisions of the CCAA and the Orders of the Court made in these proceedings.
- 9. The Petitioner Parties have not done or purported to do anything that is not authorized by the CCAA.
- 10. The Plan and transactions contemplated thereby are procedurally and substantively fair and reasonable, not oppressive and are in the best interests of the Petitioner Parties and the Persons affected by the Plan.
- 11. The Plan is hereby finally and absolutely sanctioned and approved pursuant to the provisions of the CCAA and, at the Effective Date, all terms, conditions, compromises and releases set forth in the Plan are binding and effective on all Persons or parties named or referred to in, affected by or subject to the Plan.

PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

12. The Petitioner Parties are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary or appropriate, in each case consistent with and in accordance with the terms of the Plan and this Sanction Order, to enter into, adopt, execute, deliver, implement and consummate the contracts, instruments, releases, and all other agreements or documents to be created or which are to come into effect in connection with the Plan, and all matters contemplated under the Plan involving any corporate action of the Petitioner Parties on behalf of the Petitioner Parties, and such actions are hereby approved and will occur and be effective in accordance with the Plan and this Sanction Order, in all respects and for all purposes without any requirement of further action by shareholders, directors or officers of the Petitioner Parties. Further, to the extent not previously given, all necessary approvals to take such action shall be and are hereby deemed to have been obtained from the directors or the shareholders of the Petitioner Parties, as applicable, including the deemed passing by any class of shareholders of any resolution or special resolution, and no shareholders' agreement or agreement between a shareholder and another Person limiting in any

way the right to vote shares held by such shareholder or shareholders with respect to any of the steps contemplated in the Plan shall be effective or have any force or effect.

- 13. The Petitioner Parties are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary or appropriate to comply with any and all orders issued by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "U.S. Court") in the pending Chapter 15 Proceedings. The Petitioner Parties are further authorized and directed to take all actions necessary or appropriate to seek to obtain an order from the U.S. Court under chapter 15 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code recognizing that the instant Order is in full force and effect in the United States.
- 14. The Monitor is hereby authorized and directed to take all steps and actions, and to do all things, required of the Monitor to facilitate the implementation of the Plan, in each case consistent with and in accordance with its terms, and, where necessary or appropriate to do so, to enter into, execute, deliver, implement and consummate all of the steps, transactions, certificates and agreements contemplated by the Plan.
- 15. Upon the delivery of a certificate substantially in the form attached hereto as **Schedule "D"** (the "**Monitor's Certificate**") by the Monitor to the Court in accordance with Section 5.3 of the Plan, which confirms that the conditions precedents have been satisfied or waived in accordance with Section 5.2 of the Plan and that confirms that the Monitor knows of no reason why the Plan could not be implemented forthwith, the Plan and all associated steps, compromises, transactions, arrangements, releases and reorganizations effected thereby are and shall be implemented in accordance with the provisions of the Plan.
- 16. As of the Effective Date the Plan and all associated steps, compromises, transactions, arrangements, releases and reorganizations effected thereby shall be binding and effective in accordance with the provisions of the Plan, and shall enure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Petitioner Parties, all Affected Creditors, Existing Shareholders, past and present directors or officers of the Petitioner Parties, including de facto directors and officers, if any, and all other Persons named or referred to in, affected by, or subject to the Plan and their respective heirs, executors, administrators and other legal representatives, successors and assigns.

17. The Petitioner Parties' obligations pursuant to the SISP are hereby suspended, other than as otherwise provided for in the Plan in relation to PREI, and all time periods in the SISP will be tolled and will resume in the event that the Plan does not become effective within the time period specified in Section 6.1(a)(vi) of the Restructuring and Support Agreement. If the Plan becomes effective within the time period specified in Section 6.1(a)(vi) of the Restructuring and Support Agreement, other than as otherwise provided for in the Plan in relation to PREI, the Petitioner Parties will have no obligations pursuant to the SISP.

COMPROMISE OF CLAIMS AND EFFECT OF PLAN

- 18. Pursuant to and in accordance with the Plan, any and all Affected Claims of any nature shall be forever compromised, discharged and released, and the ability of any Person to proceed against the Petitioner Parties in respect of or relating to any Affected Claims shall be forever barred, discharged and restrained, and all proceedings with respect to, in connection with or relating to such Affected Claim are hereby permanently stayed, subject only to the rights of Affected Creditors to receive distributions in respect of their Affected Claims pursuant to, and in accordance with, the Plan and this Sanction Order.
- 19. Notwithstanding, (i) the pendency of the CCAA Proceedings and the declaration of insolvency made therein; (ii) any applications for a bankruptcy order now or hereafter made pursuant to the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* (Canada) (the "BIA") in respect of any of the Petitioner Parties and any bankruptcy order issued pursuant to any such applications; (iii) any assignment in bankruptcy made in respect of any of the Petitioner Parties; or (iv) the provisions of any federal or provincial statute, the transactions, payments, steps, and releases or compromises made during the CCAA Proceedings or contemplated to be performed or effected pursuant to the Plan and this Sanction Order (a) shall be binding on any trustee in bankruptcy that may be appointed in respect of any of the Petitioner Parties; (b) shall not be void or voidable; (c) shall not constitute or be deemed to be a fraudulent preference or assignment, fraudulent conveyance, transfer at undervalue, preference or any other challengeable or voidable transaction under the BIA or any other applicable federal or provincial legislation; and (d) shall not constitute or be deemed to be oppressive or unfairly prejudicial conduct pursuant to any applicable federal or provincial legislation.

- 20. The determination of Allowed Claims in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order, the Supplemental Meetings Order and the Plan shall be final and binding on the Petitioner Parties and all Affected Creditors.
- 21. For distribution purposes under the Plan, an Affected Claim against any of the Petitioner Parties and all guarantees and indemnities of any of the Petitioner Parties of any such Affected Claim will be treated as a single Affected Claim against all Petitioner Parties.
- 22. Without limiting the provisions of the Claims Procedure Order, the Supplemental Meetings Order or the Plan, an Affected Creditor that did not file a Proof of Claim by the Claims Bar Date or otherwise in accordance with the provisions of the Claims Procedure Order, the Supplemental Meetings Order and the Plan, whether or not such Affected Creditor received direct notice of the claims process established by the Claims Procedure Order, shall be and is hereby forever barred from making any Claim against the Petitioner Parties and shall not be entitled to any distribution under the Plan, and such Affected Creditor's Claim shall be and is hereby forever barred and extinguished. Nothing in the Plan extends or shall be interpreted as extending or amending the Claims Bar Date or the Restructuring Claims Bar Date (as defined in the Claims Procedure Order), or gives or shall be interpreted as giving any rights to any Person in respect of Claims that have been barred or extinguished pursuant to the Claims Procedure Order, the Supplemental Meetings Order, the Plan or this Sanction Order.
- 23. Each Affected Creditor is hereby deemed to have consented and agreed to all of the provisions in the Plan in its entirety, and each Affected Creditor is hereby deemed to have executed and delivered to the Petitioner Parties all consents, releases, assignments and waivers, statutory or otherwise, required to implement and carry out the Plan in its entirety.
- 24. As of the Effective Date, all compromises, waivers, releases and injunctions effected by the Plan (including but not limited to those in sections 7.2, 7.3, 7.4 and 7.5 of the Plan) are hereby approved, binding and effective as set out in the Plan on all Affected Creditors, Existing Shareholders, and any and all other Persons affected by the Plan.
- 25. Without limiting the generality of paragraph 24 of this Sanction Order, as of the Effective Date, each of the Released Parties (as that term is defined in the Plan) and the Catalyst

Timberwest Retired Salaried Employees Association ("RSEA") (as well as RSEA's directors, officers and legal advisors) (the "RSEA Released Parties"), as applicable, shall be released and discharged from any and all demands, claims, liabilities, obligations, causes of action, damages, executions or other recoveries, known or unknown, based in whole or in part on any act or omission, transaction, dealing or other occurrence existing or taking place on or prior to the Effective Date relating to, arising out of, or in connection with the Securities, the First Lien Notes Indentures, the Unsecured Notes Indenture, the Restructuring and Support Agreement, the Plan, the Prior CBCA Proceedings, the CCAA Proceedings, the Chapter 15 Proceedings, and any proceedings commenced with respect to or in connection with the Plan; provided, however, that nothing in this paragraph shall release or discharge any of the Released Parties or the RSEA Released Parties, as applicable, from or in respect of its obligations under the Plan or the Restructuring and Support Agreement and to comply with and to make the distributions set out therein; provided, further, however, that such release and discharge shall not include any Unaffected Claims against the Petitioner Parties or any claims with respect to matters set out in Section 5.1(2) of the CCAA, and provided, further, however, that nothing herein will release or discharge a Released Party or RSEA Released Parties, as applicable, if the Released Party or RSEA Released Parties, as applicable, is determined by a Final Order of a court of competent jurisdiction to have committed wilful misconduct or fraud in connection with any of the foregoing.

26. The appointment of the Claims Officer, if any, shall cease as of the Effective Date except with respect to matters to be completed pursuant to the Plan after the Effective Date (including the resolution of any Disputed Claims pursuant to the Claims Procedure Order).

DISTRIBUTIONS UNDER THE PLAN

As of the Effective Date, the Articles of Catalyst will be amended pursuant to Articles of Reorganization. Subject to and in accordance with its terms, the Articles of Reorganization will (i) re-designate the existing common shares of Catalyst as "Old Common Shares" (the "Old Common Shares"); and (ii) create a new class of an unlimited number of common shares to be designated as "New Common Shares" (being the New Common Shares as defined in, and to be distributed under, the Plan) which shall have the same rights, privileges, restrictions and

conditions attaching to the Old Common Shares and will make such other amendments as Catalyst deems appropriate, subject to the consent of the Monitor and the Steering Group.

- 28. As of the Effective Date and prior to the steps described in paragraph 29, the stated capital account of the Old Common Shares will be reduced by \$384,534,000, less the aggregate principal amount of the New First Lien Notes and the fair market value of the New Common Shares to be issued and distributed pursuant to paragraph 31 hereof, and the stated capital account of the New Common Shares will be increased by \$384,534,000, less the aggregate principal amount of the New First Lien Notes and the fair market value of the New Common Shares to be issued and distributed pursuant to paragraph 31 hereof.
- 29. As of the Effective Date, except as otherwise provided in the Plan and in this Sanction Order, all notes, shares, instruments, certificates, indentures, guarantees, and other documents or agreements evidencing the First Lien Notes Claims, the Unsecured Notes Claims and Equity Interests including, without limitation, the First Lien Notes, the Unsecured Notes, the First Lien Notes Indentures, and the Unsecured Notes Indenture, are deemed cancelled and are of no further force or effect, whether surrendered for cancellation or otherwise, and the obligations of the Petitioner Parties thereunder or in any way related thereto are satisfied and discharged, except to the extent expressly set forth in section 6.1 of the Plan. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) the aggregate principal amount of the First Lien Notes Claims equal to (x) the fair market value of the New Common Shares and (y), the aggregate principal amount of the New First Lien Notes shall be cancelled and of no further force and effect, whether surrendered for cancellation or otherwise, at 12:01 a.m. on the Business Day next following the Effective Date, and (ii) the Equity Interests shall be cancelled and be of no further force and effect immediately after the issuance of the New Common Shares pursuant to section 6.2 of the Plan.
- 30. The First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee shall be authorized to execute releases of the property and other assets comprising the Collateral (as such term is defined in the First Lien Notes Indentures, attached as Exhibits "B" and "C" to Affidavit #3 of Brian Baarda made on January 31, 2012) from the Liens created by the Collateral Documents (as such term is defined in the First Lien Notes Indenture), in the forms prepared by the Petitioner Parties, at the written

request of the Petitioner Parties (without the delivery of an officer's certificate or opinion) subject to paragraph 29 above.

- 31. At 12:01 a.m. on the Business Day following the Effective Date, the Petitioner Parties shall issue the Plan Securities pursuant to and in accordance with section 6.2 of the Plan and thereafter be distributed in accordance with the terms of the Plan.
- 32. On the Business Day next following the Effective Date, and after the steps described in paragraphs 29 and 31, the Articles of Catalyst will be further amended pursuant to second Articles of Reorganization. Subject to and in accordance with its terms, the second Articles of Reorganization will cancel and eliminate the Old Common Shares, will re-designate the "New Common Shares" as "Common Shares" and will make such other amendments as Catalyst deems appropriate, subject to the consent of the Monitor and the Steering Group.
- 33. All distributions and payments by or at the direction of the Petitioner Parties or the Monitor, on behalf of the Petitioner Parties, to the Affected Creditors under the Plan are for the account of the Petitioner Parties and the fulfilment of their obligations under the Plan.

STAY OF PROCEEDINGS

- 34. The stay of proceedings and all other relief granted in the Amended and Restated Initial Order shall be and is hereby extended until the later of September 30, 2012 and the Effective Date or such other date as may subsequently be ordered by this Court.
- As of and from the Effective Date and except to the extent expressly contemplated by the Plan, all contracts, obligations or agreements to which any of the Petitioner Parties is a party (including all equipment leases and real property leases) shall be and remain in full force and effect as between the Petitioner Parties and any counterparty, unamended as of the Effective Date, unless terminated, disclaimed or repudiated by a Petitioner Party during these proceedings, and no Person who is a party to any such contract, obligation or agreement shall, on or after the Effective Date, accelerate, terminate, rescind, refuse to renew, refuse to perform or otherwise repudiate its obligations thereunder, or enforce or exercise, or purport to enforce or exercise, any right (including any right of set off, combination of accounts, dilution, buy out, divestiture,

forced purchase or sale option or other remedy) or make any demand under or in respect of any such obligation or agreement, by reason of:

- (a) any event, fact or matter which existed or occurred on or before, and is not continuing after the Effective Date or which is or continues to be suspended or waived under the Plan, which would have entitled any other party thereto to enforce those rights or remedies (including defaults or events of default arising as a result of the insolvency of any Petitioner Party);
- (b) any Petitioner Party having sought, obtained or pursued relief under the CCAA or under the US Bankruptcy Code;
- (c) any default or event of default arising as a result of the financial condition or insolvency of the Petitioner Parties prior to the Effective Date;
- (d) any effect upon the Petitioner Parties of the completion of any of the transactions contemplated under the Plan or completed during the CCAA Proceedings or the Chapter 15 Cases; or
- (e) any compromises, arrangements, reorganizations or transactions effected pursuant to the Plan or completed during the CCAA Proceedings or the Chapter 15 Cases.
- 36. Any and all Persons shall be and are hereby stayed from commencing, taking, applying for or issuing or continuing any and all steps or proceedings, including without limitation, administrative hearings and orders, declarations or assessments, commenced, taken or proceeded with or that may be commenced, taken or proceeded with against any Released Party or the RSEA Released Parties in respect of all Claims and any matter which is released pursuant to this Sanction Order and section 7.3 of the Plan.
- 37. As of the Effective Date, the commencement or prosecution, whether directly, derivatively or otherwise, of any demands, claims, actions, counterclaims, suits, judgments, or other remedy or recovery with respect to any indebtedness, liability, obligation or cause of action released, discharged or terminated pursuant to the Plan is permanently enjoined.

- 38. Subject to further order of the Court, all CCAA Charges shall continue in effect until the Effective Date and all obligations secured thereby are either (i) paid in full or (ii) otherwise secured, satisfied or arranged on terms acceptable to the Petitioner Parties, the beneficiaries of the CCAA Charges and an individual to be appointed by the Steering Group.
- 39. The obligations of the Critical Suppliers under the Critical Supplier Order shall be terminated as of the Effective Date.

THE MONITOR

- 40. As of the Effective Date, the Monitor shall be discharged and released from its duties other than those obligations, duties and responsibilities necessary or required to give effect to the terms of the Plan, the Claims Procedure Order and this Sanction Order.
- 41. The actions and conduct of the Monitor in the CCAA Proceeding are hereby approved and the Monitor has satisfied all of its obligations up to and including the date of this Sanction Order. In addition to the protections in favour of the Monitor as set out in the Initial Order and the CCAA, the Monitor shall not be liable for any act or omission on its part, including with respect to any reliance thereon, including without limitation, with respect to any information disclosed, any act or omission pertaining to the discharge of duties under the Plan or as requested by the Petitioner Parties or with respect to any other duties or obligations in respect of the implementation of the Plan, save and except for any claim or liability arising out of any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on the part of the Monitor. Subject to the foregoing, and in addition to the protections in favour of the Monitor as set out in the Plan, the Orders of this Court and the CCAA, any claims against the Monitor in connection with the performance of its duties as Monitor are hereby released, stayed, extinguished and forever barred and the Monitor shall have no liability in respect thereof.
- 42. No action or other proceeding shall be commenced against the Monitor in any way arising from or related to its capacity or conduct as Monitor except with prior leave pursuant to an order of this Court made on prior written notice to the Monitor and provided any such order granting leave includes a term granting the Monitor security for its costs and the costs of its

counsel in connection with any proposed action or proceeding, such security to be on terms this Court deems just and appropriate.

- 43. The Monitor, in addition to its prescribed rights and obligations under the CCAA and the powers provided for herein and in the Initial Order, shall be and is hereby authorized, directed and empowered to perform its functions and fulfil its obligations under the Plan to facilitate the implementation of, and distributions to Affected Creditors under, the Plan.
- 44. Upon completion by the Monitor of its duties pursuant to the CCAA, the Plan and all applicable Orders of this Court, the Monitor may file with the Court a Certificate of Plan Termination, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Schedule "E"**, stating that all of its aforementioned duties have been completed and thereupon, PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. shall be deemed to be discharged from its duties as Monitor of the Petitioner Parties.

AID AND RECOGNITION OF THIS SANCTION ORDER

- 45. This Sanction Order shall have full force and effect in all Provinces and Territories of Canada and abroad as against all Persons against whom it may otherwise be enforced.
- 46. THIS COURT REQUESTS the aid and recognition of other Canadian and foreign Courts, tribunal, regulatory or administrative bodies, including any Court or administrative tribunal of any Federal or State Court or administrative body in the United States of America, (including, without limitation, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware), to act in aid of and to be complementary to this Court in carrying out the terms of this Sanction Order and the Plan where required. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to assist the Petitioner Parties, CPC, the Monitor and the respective agents of each of the foregoing in carrying out the terms of this Sanction Order and the Plan.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

47. The Petitioner Parties shall be and are hereby authorized to execute and deliver all stock transfer instruments, omnibus directions and other instruments and instructions which are necessary or advisable in the reasonable business judgment of the Petitioner Parties to effect the

distribution of New Common Shares in accordance with the Plan, and third party brokers, as applicable, shall be and are hereby authorized and directed to accept all such stock transfer instruments, omnibus directions, and other instruments and instructions when received.

- 48. At any time prior to the Effective Time, the Petitioner Parties, the Monitor, the Steering Group, any Affected Creditor or any other interested Person may apply to this Court for advice and direction, or to seek relief in respect of, any matters arising out of or incidental to the Plan and this Sanction Order, including without limitation the interpretation of this Sanction Order and the Plan or the implementation thereof, and for any further Order that may be required, on notice to any party likely to be affected by the Order sought or on such notice as this Court orders.
- 49. As of the Effective Date, any and all claims for Post-Filing Interest and Costs, save and except for those claims for interest payable under paragraph 25(j) of the Critical Supplier Order and for those claims for Post-Filing Interest and Costs that have been Allowed pursuant to the Claims Procedure Order, shall be released and discharged.
- 50. Notwithstanding any other provisions in this Sanction Order, the Plan or the CCAA Proceedings, the rights of the public authorities of British Columbia to take the position in or with respect to any future proceedings under environmental legislation in connection with the Elk Falls site that this or any other Order made in the CCAA Proceedings does not affect such proceedings by reason that (a) any responsibilities under that legislation, or any such proceedings, are not in relation to a claim within the meaning of the CCAA, (b) it is otherwise beyond the jurisdiction of Parliament or a court under the CCAA to affect those responsibilities or proceedings in any way, or (c) in the alternative, those responsibilities or proceedings should not in the exercise of this Court's discretion be extinguished or stayed, is fully reserved; as is reserved the right of any affected party to take any position to the contrary. For greater certainty, nothing in this Sanction Order, the Plan or these CCAA Proceedings affects the ongoing application or operation of provincial environmental legislation to Catalyst or any other past, present or future owner or operator
 - (a) of any of the property or assets of Catalyst other than the Elk Falls site; and

- (b) without further Order of this Court in these CCAA proceedings, of the Elk Falls site.
- The Petitioner Parties are authorized at any time and from time to time to vary, amend, modify or supplement the Plan without the need for obtaining a further Order of the Court or providing notice to the Creditors if the Petitioner Parties and the Monitor, acting reasonably and in good faith, determine the variation, amendment, modification or supplement in the Plan to be (i) of a technical or administrative nature that would not prejudice the interests of any of the Creditors under the Plan and (ii) necessary in order to give effect to the substance of the Plan or the Sanction Order. In the event a material variation, amendment, modification or supplement is required by the Petitioner Parties, such shall be permitted by further Court Order obtained on notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Plan may not be modified, amended or supplemented in any manner without the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and, solely to the extent of any modification, amendment or supplement materially inconsistent with the Restructuring and Support Agreement, without the consent of the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders.
- As of the Effective Date, each director of Catalyst is removed from office and terminated in his or her capacity as such and the new directors of Catalyst, as described in Section 6.11 of the Plan and the names of whom are recorded on the Form 6 prepared pursuant to the CBCA and filed with the Court in advance of the Effective Date, are hereby appointed.
- 53. This Sanction Order will form the basis for an exemption from the registration requirements under section 3(a)(10) of the United States Securities Act of 1933 as amended, in respect of the securities to be issued pursuant to the Plan. In this regard, the Court declares and orders that:
 - (a) it has been advised of the intention of the Petitioner Parties to rely on Section 3(a)(10) prior to the hearing required to sanction the Plan;
 - (b) the Orders herein provide that each First Lien Noteholder, each Unsecured Noteholder and any other interested party have had and will continue to have the right to appear before the Court;

- (c) the First Lien Noteholders, the Unsecured Noteholders and all interested parties on the Service List (as that term is defined in the Amended and Restated Initial Order) were given adequate notice advising them of their rights to attend the hearing of the Court to sanction the Plan and provided them with sufficient information necessary for them to exercise that right, and there are no improper impediments to the appearance by those persons at the hearing;
- (d) the Court is satisfied as to the fairness of the Plan as to all entities whose rights are affected thereby, including but not limited to the First Lien Noteholders and the Unsecured Noteholders, and expressly approves the terms and conditions of the Plan as being procedurally and substantively fair to all entities whose rights are affected thereby, including but not limited to the First Lien Noteholders, the Unsecured Noteholders and the Existing Shareholders.
- 54. To the extent there is any conflict or inconsistency between any provision(s) of this Sanction Order and the Plan, this Sanction Order shall govern.

APPROVAL

55. Endorsement of this Sanction Order by counsel appearing on this application other than counsel for the Petitioners and counsel for the Ad Hoc Group of 2016 Noteholders, is hereby dispensed with.

THE FOLLOWING PARTIES APPROVE THE FORM OF THIS SANCTION ORDER AND CONSENT TO EACH OF THE ORDERS, IF ANY, THAT ARE INDICATED ABOVE AS BEING BY CONSENT:

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Bill Kaplan, Q.C

BY THE COURT.

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Signature of

party [X] lawyer for the Ad Hoc Group of 2016 Noteholders

John Sandrelli

Registrar

Certified a true copy according to the records of the Supreme Court

at Vancouver, B.C.

Authorized Signing Officer Drina A. Read

Schedule "A"

LIST OF ADDITIONAL PETITIONER PARTIES

Catalyst Pulp Operations Limited

Catalyst Pulp Sales Inc.

Pacifica Poplars Ltd.

Catalyst Pulp and Paper Sales Inc.

Elk Falls Pulp and Paper Limited

Catalyst Paper Energy Holdings Inc.

0606890 B.C. Ltd.

Catalyst Paper Recycling Inc.

Catalyst Paper (Snowflake) Inc.

Catalyst Paper Holdings Inc.

Pacifica Papers U.S. Inc.

Pacifica Poplars Inc.

Pacifica Papers Sales Inc.

Catalyst Paper (USA) Inc.

The Apache Railway Company

Schedule "B"

Name of Counsel	Name of Party
Mary Buttery	Powell River Energy Inc., Quadrant Investments Ltd., TimberWest Forest Corp., Western Forest Products and Edward C. Kress, Harry A. Goldgut and Richard Legault, Trustees of Powell River Energy Trust
John Sandrelli Jordan Schultz	A Representative Group of 2016 Noteholders
Benjamin La Borie	Wilmington Trust, National Association
David McKinnon (by telephone)	Ad Hoc Committee of 2014 Noteholders
Dan Rogers	CEP Unions – Locals 1, 76 (Powell River), 592, 686 (Port Alberni), 1132 (Crofton), 630, 1123 (Campbell River)
Patrick Riesterer (by telephone)	Board of Directors of Catalyst
Jennifer Cockbill	JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.
David Gruber Melaney Wagner (by telephone)	A Representative Group of 2014 Unsecured Noteholders and certain 2016 Noteholders
Randal Kaardal Caily DiPuma	Catalyst TimberWest Retired Salaried Employees Association
Ari Kaplan Andrew Hatnay	Catalyst Salaried Employees & Pensioner Committee
Evan Cobb Mario Forte (by telephone)	Wells Fargo Bank NA
Sandra Wilkinson	Superintendent of Pensions
Richard Butler (by telephone) Elizabeth Rowbotham	HMTQ in Right of the Province of British Columbia
Heather Ferris	Board of Directors of Catalyst
Elizabeth Pillon (by telephone)	Canexus Chemicals Canada LP
Stefanie Quelch	United Steelworkers International and USW Local 2688
Chris Misura	PPWC Local 2

Schedule "C" (attached)



NO. S120712 VANCOUVER REGISTRY

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF CATALYST PAPER CORPORATION AND THE PETITIONERS LISTED IN SCHEDULE "A"

PETITIONERS

SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT

PURSUANT TO THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT (CANADA)

concerning, affecting and involving

CATALYST PAPER CORPORATION AND THE PETITIONERS LISTED IN SCHEDULE "A"

Amended as at June 14, 2012

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PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT

PURSUANT TO THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT (CANADA)

ARTICLE 1 INTERPRETATION

Section 1.1 Definitions

In the Plan (including the Schedules hereto), unless otherwise stated or unless the context otherwise requires:

- "ABL Facility" means the revolving asset based loan facility issued pursuant to an amended and restated credit agreement dated as of May 31, 2011, by JP Morgan Securities LLC and CIBC Asset-Based Lending, Inc.;
- "ABL Facility Claims" means all outstanding obligations owed to lenders under the ABL Facility;
- "Administration Charge" means the charge granted pursuant to paragraph 39 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, as more particularly set out therein, in favour of the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, counsel to the Debtors, and counsel to the Directors;
- "Affected Claim" means any Claim that is not an Unaffected Claim;
- "Affected Creditor" means any Creditor having an Affected Claim in respect of and to the extent of such Affected Claim;
- "Allowed" means, with respect to a Claim against any Debtor, (i) any Claim in respect of which a Proof of Claim has or is deemed to have been timely filed in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order and in respect of which no objection has been interposed within the applicable period fixed by the Claims Procedure Order, or (ii) any Claim that is Allowed pursuant to the Plan, Claims Procedure Order, or a Final Order of the Court;
- "Amended and Restated Initial Order" means the Order of the Court dated January 31, 2012, as amended and restated on February 3, 2012, and as subsequently amended by further Order of the Court, and as may be further amended, supplemented or varied by the Court;
- "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which banks in Vancouver, British Columbia, Toronto, Ontario, or New York, New York are authorized or obligated by applicable law to close or otherwise are generally closed;
- "Cash Election" means an election made by a General Unsecured Creditor, who is not (i) an Extended Health Benefits Creditor, or (ii) otherwise deemed to be a Convenience Creditor in accordance with the terms of the Meetings Order, in full and final satisfaction of his, her or its Allowed Claim, to deem such Creditor's Claim equal to CAD \$10,000 for distribution purposes,

which election shall be deemed a vote in favour of the resolution to approve the Plan at the Unsecured Creditors Meeting in the full filed amount of such Creditor's Allowed Claim;

"Cash Election Creditor" means a General Unsecured Creditor who is not (i) an Extended Health Benefits Creditor, or (ii) otherwise deemed to be a Convenience Creditor who makes a valid Cash Election in accordance with the terms of the Meetings Order;

"Catalyst" means Catalyst Paper Corporation, a corporation incorporated under the CBCA;

"Catalyst Companies" means Catalyst and its Subsidiaries;

"CBCA" means the Canada Business Corporations Act, R. S. C. 1985, c. C-44, as amended;

"CCAA" means the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended;

"CCAA Charges" means, collectively, the Administration Charge, the DIP Lenders' Charge, the Critical Suppliers' Charge, the D&O Charge, the Financial Advisor Charge, the KERP Charge, the Stalking Horse Reimbursement Charge, and any other charge over the Debtors' assets created by other Order of the Court and included in "Charges" (as such term is defined in the Amended and Restated Initial Order and as such charges may be amended, modified or varied by further Order of the Court);

"CCAA Proceedings" means the CCAA proceedings commenced by the Debtors, being British Columbia Supreme Court Action No. S120712, on the Commencement Date pursuant to the Amended and Restated Initial Order;

"Chapter 15 Proceedings" means the proceedings commenced under chapter 15 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code on January 17, 2012, in the U.S. Court, Case No. 12-10221;

"Claim" means any Pre-Commencement Claim, Restructuring Claim or Directors/Officers Claim;

"Claims Bar Date" means 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Pacific Time) on April 18, 2012, or such other date as may be ordered by the Court;

"Claims Officer" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Claims Procedure Order;

"Claims Procedure Order" means the Order of the Court, dated March 22, 2012, as amended or varied by further Order, approving and directing the establishment of a procedure for filing Proofs of Claim and resolving Disputed Claims;

"Class" means a category of Creditors holding Affected Claims as described more fully in ARTICLE, 3 hereof;

"Class A Noteholders" means all holders of Class A Notes:

"Class A Notes" means the 11% senior secured notes due December 15, 2016, in the principal amount of US\$280,434,000, issued by Catalyst pursuant to the Class A Notes Indenture;

- "Class A Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture dated as of March 10, 2010, among Catalyst, the guarantors party thereto, and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, as amended, modified or supplemented prior to the date hereof;
- "Class B Noteholders" means all holders of Class B Notes;
- "Class B Notes" means the Class B 11% senior secured notes due December 15, 2016, in the principal amount of US\$110,000,000, issued by Catalyst pursuant to the Class B Notes Indenture;
- "Class B Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture dated as of May 19, 2010, among Catalyst, the guarantors party thereto, and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, as amended, modified or supplemented prior to the date hereof;
- "Commencement Date" means January 31, 2012;
- "Conditions Precedent" means those conditions precedent to the effectiveness of the Plan set forth in Section 5.1 hereof;
- "Consenting Noteholders" means the Initial Supporting Noteholders and all other Noteholders that have signed a joinder to the Restructuring and Support Agreement;
- "Convenience Cash Amount" means, in respect of the Allowed Claims of General Unsecured Cash Creditors cash in an amount equal to 50% of such Creditor's Allowed Claim for distribution purposes, subject to the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool and the terms hereof;
- "Convenience Claim" means a General Unsecured Claim equal to or less than CAD \$10,000 that is not an Extended Health Benefits Claim;
- "Convenience Creditor" means a holder of a Convenience Claim;
- "Court" means the Supreme Court of British Columbia;
- "Creditor" means any Person having a Claim and includes, without limitation, the transferee or assignee of a transferred Claim that is recognized as a Creditor in accordance with paragraph 35 of the Claims Procedure Order, or a trustee, liquidator, receiver, manager, or other Person acting on behalf of such Person;
- "Critical Supplier Order" means that certain Order of the Court, dated February 6, 2012, as may be amended or varied by further Order;
- "Critical Suppliers" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph 25 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, as amended and restated in the Critical Supplier Order, and as may be further amended and restated by Order of the Court;
- "Critical Suppliers' Charge" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph 25 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, as amended and restated in the Critical Supplier Order, and as may be further amended and restated by Order of the Court;

- "D&O Charge" means the charge in favour of the directors and officers of the Debtors granted pursuant to paragraph 29 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, paragraph 3 of the Court's Order dated February 14, 2012, and paragraph 1 of the Court's Order dated March 8, 2012, as more particularly set out therein;
- "Debtors" means Catalyst and the following subsidiaries of Catalyst: 0606890 B.C. Ltd., Catalyst Paper General Partnership, Catalyst Paper Energy Holdings Inc., Catalyst Pulp and Paper Sales Inc., Catalyst Pulp Operations Limited, Catalyst Pulp Sales Inc., Elk Falls Pulp and Paper Limited, Pacifica Poplars Ltd., Catalyst Paper Holdings Inc., Catalyst Paper Recycling Inc., Catalyst Paper (Snowflake) Inc., Catalyst Paper (USA) Inc., Pacifica Papers Sales Inc., Pacifica Papers USA Inc., Pacifica Poplars Inc. and The Apache Railway Company;
- "DIP Agent" means JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., in its capacity as administrative agent under the DIP Credit Agreement;
- "DIP Credit Agreement" means that certain agreement dated as of February 7, 2012, among the Debtors, the DIP Agent, and the DIP Lenders;
- "DIP Facility" means the credit facility approved by the Court pursuant to paragraph 41 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order;
- "DIP Facility Claims" means all outstanding obligations owed to the DIP Lenders under the DIP Credit Agreement;
- "DIP Lenders" means the DIP Agent as lender and the other lenders from time to time party to the DIP Credit Agreement;
- "DIP Lenders' Charge" means the charge in favour of the DIP Lenders granted pursuant to paragraph 45 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, as more particularly set out therein;
- "Director" means any Person who is or was, or may be deemed to be or have been, whether by statute, operation of law or otherwise, a director of any one or more of the Debtors;
- "Directors/Officers Claim" means any right or claim of any Person against one or more of the Directors and/or Officers that relates to a Pre-Commencement Claim or a Restructuring Claim, howsoever arising, for which the Directors and/or Officers are by statute or otherwise by law liable to pay in their capacity as Directors and/or Officers or in any other capacity;
- "Disputed" means, with respect to an Affected Claim, the amount of an Affected Claim (including a contingent Affected Claim which may crystallize upon the occurrence of an event or events occurring after the Commencement Date) or such portion thereof which is not yet Allowed, which is disputed and which is subject to adjudication in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order;
- "DTC" means The Depository Trust Company, through its nominee company Cede & Co.;
- "Effective Date" means the Business Day, which date shall be acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and

in accordance with the Restructuring and Support Agreement, on which (i) the Conditions Precedent have been satisfied, fulfilled or waived in accordance with the terms hereof, as applicable, and (ii) the Monitor has completed and filed its certificate with the Court in accordance with Section 5.3 hereof;

"Effective Time" means 11:59 p.m. on the Effective Date;

"Electing Noteholder" means any Noteholder who would otherwise have become a "control person" under applicable Canadian securities laws immediately following the Effective Time solely as a result of the Plan who elects, by giving notice in form and manner described in Section 6.8 hereof, to receive the Exchange Warrants instead of Excess New Common Shares;

"Eligible Holder" means a holder of First Lien Notes or Unsecured Notes who is (a) a resident of Canada for the purposes of the Tax Act and any applicable income tax treaty, holding First Lien Notes or Unsecured Notes that meet the definition of "eligible property" for the purposes of the Tax Act, and who is not exempt from tax on income under the Tax Act, or (b) a non-resident of Canada for the purposes of the Tax Act and any applicable income tax treaty, holding First Lien Notes or Unsecured Notes that meet the definition of "eligible property" for the purposes of the Tax Act, and who would be subject to Canadian tax in respect of any gain realized on the disposition of First Lien Notes or Unsecured Notes under the Plan if no tax election described in Section 6.7 hereof were made in respect of such disposition, or (c) a partnership if one or more members of the partnership are described in (a) or (b);

"Equity Election" means an election by an Unsecured Creditor who is not a Cash Election Creditor made on or before the Equity Election Deadline to receive such Creditor's pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (a) Allowed or (b) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of 600,000 New Common Shares;

"Equity Election Creditors" means those Unsecured Creditors who have made a valid Equity Election;

"Equity Election Deadline" means 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Pacific time) on the date that is 21 days after the date of the Sanction Order;

"Equity Election Form" means the form by which an Unsecured Creditor who is not a Cash Election Creditor may make an Equity Election;

"Equity Election Package" means a package in form and substance acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and reasonably satisfactory to the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, containing (a) an Equity Election Form and (b) instructions for completion of such Equity Election Form;

"Equity Interests" means all common shares of Catalyst, including all options, warrants, rights or similar instruments derived from, relating to or convertible, exchangeable or exercisable for common shares, issued and outstanding as of the Effective Date immediately prior to the Effective Time;

- "Excess New Common Shares" means such New Common Shares that an Electing Noteholder would have received immediately following the Effective Time that would have resulted in such Electing Noteholder holding in excess of 20% of the total New Common Shares issued on the Effective Date pursuant to the Plan;
- "Exchange Warrants" means warrants exercisable commencing immediately after the Effective Time for no additional consideration, pursuant to an agreement between Catalyst and an Electing Noteholder, which agreement shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, entitling such Electing Noteholder to acquire New Common Shares in an amount equal to the Excess New Common Shares such Electing Noteholder would otherwise have been entitled to receive pursuant to the Plan had they not elected to receive such warrants;
- "Existing Shareholders" means all holders of Equity Interests;
- "Exit Facility" means, to the extent necessary, an exit financing facility acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;
- "Extended Health Benefits Claims" means all Claims in connection with the following Pacific Blue Cross extended health benefits plans in respect of certain former non-union employees of the Debtors and their predecessors: E035490, E035492, E043743, E043799, E043800, E043863, E047225, E078160, E089486, E094272 and E094273;
- "Extended Health Benefits Creditors" means holders of Extended Health Benefits Claims;
- "Final Order" means an Order, ruling or judgment of the Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, which has not been reversed, modified or vacated, and is not subject to any stay or appeal, and for which any and all applicable appeal periods have expired;
- "Financial Advisor Charge" means the charge in favour of the Debtors' financial advisors, Perella Weinberg Partners L.P., granted pursuant to paragraph 12 of the Court's Order dated March 9, 2012, as more particularly set out therein;
- "First Lien Noteholders" means all holders of First Lien Notes, including where applicable beneficial holders of First Lien Notes;
- "First Lien Noteholders Meeting" means the meeting of the First Lien Noteholders to be held on the Meeting Date for the purpose of considering and voting on the Plan pursuant to the CCAA, and includes any adjournment, postponement or other rescheduling of such meeting in accordance with the Meetings Order;
- "First Lien Notes" means, collectively, the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes;
- "First Lien Notes Claims" means all Claims for amounts due in respect of the First Lien Notes, including without limitation outstanding principal and the First Lien Notes Unpaid Interest;
- "First Lien Notes Claims Class" means the Class comprising the First Lien Noteholders;

- "First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee" means, collectively, Wilmington Trust, National Association, as indenture trustee and Computershare Trust Company of Canada as collateral trustee;
- "First Lien Notes Indentures" means the Class A Notes Indenture and the Class B Notes Indenture;
- "First Lien Notes Unpaid Interest" means an amount equal to accrued and unpaid interest under the First Lien Notes as of the Effective Date, such interest calculated using the applicable interest rate under the First Lien Notes Indentures, which shall include, where applicable, interest calculated at the default rate thereunder;
- "General Unsecured Cash Creditors" means, collectively, (i) Convenience Creditors who have not made a valid Equity Election and (ii) Cash Election Creditors;
- "General Unsecured Claims" means all Claims against any Debtor, including Extended Health Benefits Claims and Convenience Claims, but not including Unsecured Notes Claims, that have not otherwise been satisfied through arrangements with the Debtors in accordance with the Amended and Restated Initial Order;
- "General Unsecured Creditors" means holders of General Unsecured Claims;
- "General Unsecured Proceeds Creditors" means General Unsecured Creditors who are not Convenience Creditors and have not made a valid Cash Election and, for avoidance of doubt, includes General Unsecured Proceeds Creditors who make a valid Equity Election;
- "Governmental Priority Claims" means all Claims that fall within section 37 of the CCAA;
- "Governmental Entity" means any government, regulatory authority, governmental department, agency, commission, bureau, official, minister, Crown corporation, court, board, tribunal or dispute settlement panel or other law, rule or regulation-making organization or entity: (a) having or purporting to have jurisdiction on behalf of any nation, province, territory or state or any other geographic or political subdivision of any of them; or (b) exercising, or entitled or purporting to exercise any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative, policy, regulatory or taxing authority or power;
- "Indenture Trustees" means the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee and the Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee;
- "Information" means information set forth or incorporated in Catalyst's public disclosure documents filed with applicable Canadian securities regulators and the Securities and Exchange Commission under applicable securities legislation prior to March 15, 2012, or otherwise disclosed by Catalyst in writing to each of the Initial Supporting Noteholders under the Restructuring and Support Agreement prior to March 15, 2012;
- "Initial Supporting First Lien Noteholders" means each First Lien Noteholder who has executed the Restructuring and Support Agreement as of March 11, 2012, in respect of its First Lien Notes;

- "Initial Supporting Noteholders" means the Initial Supporting First Lien Noteholders and the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;
- "Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders" means each Unsecured Noteholder who has executed the Restructuring and Support Agreement as of March 11, 2012, in respect of its Unsecured Notes:
- "Intercompany Claim" means any Claim of a Debtor against another Debtor or a non-Debtor Subsidiary against a Debtor;
- "KERP" means Catalyst's key employee retention plan as approved by Order of this Court made March 9, 2012, and as shall be further amended as a Condition Precedent to the implementation of the Plan as set forth in Subsection 5.1(p) hereof;
- "KERP Charge" means the charge in favour of the employee beneficiaries of the KERP granted pursuant to paragraph 6 of the Court's Order dated March 9, 2012, as more particularly set out therein;
- "Law" or "Laws" means all federal, state and provincial codes, conventions, laws, ordinances, policies, by-laws, statutes, rules, regulations, principles of law and equity, orders, rulings, ordinances, judgments, injunctions, determinations, awards, decrees or other requirements and the terms and conditions of any grant of approval, permission, authority or license of any Governmental Entity or self-regulatory authority (including the TSX), and the term "applicable" with respect to such laws means such laws as are applicable to the referenced party or its business, undertaking, property or securities and emanate from a person having jurisdiction over the party or parties or its or their business, undertaking, property or securities;
- "Lien" means any valid and enforceable mortgage, charge, pledge, assignment by way of security, lien, hypothec, security interest, deemed trust or other encumbrance granted or arising pursuant to a written agreement or statute or otherwise created by law;
- "Management Incentive Plan" means any new management incentive plan approved by the new board of directors of reorganized Catalyst after the Effective Date;
- "Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders" means a majority of the Noteholders who executed the Restructuring and Support Agreement as of March 11, 2012, where each such Noteholder will have one vote and a majority of votes will govern;
- "Material Adverse Effect" means an event, change or occurrence that, individually or together with any other event, change or occurrence, has a material adverse impact on the financial condition, business or results of operations of the Catalyst Companies (taken as a whole) and shall include, without limitation, the disposition by any of the Catalyst Companies of any material asset without the prior written consent of the Consenting Noteholders; provided, however, that a Material Adverse Effect shall not include and shall be deemed to exclude the impact of: (A) changes in Laws of general applicability or interpretations thereof by courts or governmental or regulatory authorities, (B) any change in the paper industry generally, which does not disproportionately adversely affect the Catalyst Companies, (C) actions and omissions of the Catalyst Companies taken with the prior written consent of the Majority Initial Supporting

Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, (D) the effects of compliance with the Restructuring and Support Agreement, including on the operating performance of the Catalyst Companies, (E) the negotiation, execution, delivery, performance, consummation, potential consummation or public announcement of the Restructuring and Support Agreement or the transactions contemplated by the Restructuring and Support Agreement, (F) changes in the market price or trading volume of the First Lien Notes, Unsecured Notes or Equity Interests (it being understood that any cause of any such change may be taken into consideration when determining whether a Material Adverse Effect has occurred); (G) any change in U.S. or Canadian interest rates or currency exchange rates unless such change has a disproportionate effect on the Catalyst Companies; (H) the CCAA Proceedings, the Chapter 15 Proceedings and related costs and expenses being incurred by Catalyst; (I) Catalyst entering into the DIP Credit Agreement; and (J) Catalyst's common shares being suspended from trading then delisted from the TSX effective March 8, 2012;

"Maximum Convenience Claims Pool" means CAD \$2,500,000, funded by the Debtors, which is the aggregate amount of cash available to pay all Convenience Cash Amounts;

"Meeting Date" means June 25, 2012;

"Meetings" means, collectively, the Unsecured Creditors Meeting and the First Lien Noteholders Meeting;

"Meetings Order" means the Order of the Court dated June 18, 2012, as amended or varied by further Order, setting the Meeting Date, approving the procedures for the Meetings, and authorizing the dissemination of the documents relating thereto;

"Monitor" means PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc., in its capacity as Court-appointed Monitor pursuant to the Amended and Restated Initial Order;

"New ABL Facility" means any new ABL facility entered into on the Effective Date, acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;

"New ABL Facility Lender" means the lender(s) under the New ABL Facility;

"New Common Shares" means the new common shares of reorganized Catalyst to be issued pursuant to Section 6.2 hereof;

"New First Lien Notes" means the secured, first lien notes due November 1, 2017, to be issued on the Effective Date pursuant to the New First Lien Notes Indenture and Section 6.2 hereof, in the aggregate principal amount of \$250 million, with 11% interest due semi-annually in arrears in cash or 7.5% payable semi-annually in cash plus 5.5% payable semi-annually in kind;

"New First Lien Notes Indenture" means the indenture, dated as of the Effective Date, among Catalyst, the guarantors party thereto, and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, pursuant to which the New First Lien Notes will be issued, as may be amended, modified or supplemented, which shall be in form and substance acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee;

"New First Lien Notes Security" means the guarantees and security to be provided under the New First Lien Notes Indenture;

"New Labour Contracts" means the new labour agreements ratified by members of the Pulp, Paper and Woodworkers Union of Canada ("PPWC") and the Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union of Canada ("CEP"), effective from May 1, 2012, through May 1, 2017;

"Noteholders" means, collectively, the First Lien Noteholders and the Unsecured Noteholders;

"Officer" means any Person who is or was, or may be deemed to be or have been, whether by statute, operation of law or otherwise, an officer of any one or more of the Debtors;

"Order" means any order of the Court, or another court of competent jurisdiction, in these proceedings;

"Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, joint venture, venture capital fund, association, trust, trustee, executor, administrator, legal personal representative, estate, group, body corporate (including a limited liability company and an unlimited liability company), corporation, unincorporated association or organization, governmental authority, syndicate or other entity, whether or not having legal status;

"PIK Notes" means the notes issued as interest payable in kind in relation to the New First Lien Notes;

"Plan" means this Plan of Compromise and Arrangement filed by the Debtors pursuant to the CCAA, including the Schedules hereto, as may be amended, varied or supplemented hereafter in accordance with the terms hereof or made at the direction of the Court in the Sanction Order with the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;

"Plan Securities" means the New Common Shares, the New First Lien Notes, and any Exchange Warrants, to be issued pursuant to Section 6.2 hereof and distributed pursuant to Section 6.6 hereof;

"Post-Filing Interest and Costs" means all interest other than the Unpaid Interest accrued or accruing on or after the Commencement Date on or in respect of an Affected Claim and all costs and expenses incurred on or after the Commencement Date pursuant to or in respect of an Affected Claim;

"Pre-Commencement Claim" means any right or claim of any Person that may be asserted or made in whole or in part against the Debtors (or any of them), whether or not asserted or made, in connection with any indebtedness, liability or obligation of any kind whatsoever, and any interest accrued thereon or costs payable in respect thereof, in existence on, or which is based on, an event, fact, act or omission which occurred in whole or in part prior to the Commencement Date, at law or in equity, by reason of the commission of a tort (intentional or unintentional), any breach of contract or other agreement (oral or written), any breach of duty (including, without limitation, any legal, statutory, equitable or fiduciary duty), any right of ownership of or title to property or assets or right to a trust or deemed trust (statutory, express, implied, resulting,

constructive or otherwise) or for any reason whatsoever against any of the Debtors or any their property or assets, and whether or not any indebtedness, liability or obligation is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, unsecured, present, future, known or unknown, by guarantee, surety or otherwise, and whether or not any right or claim is executory or anticipatory in nature including any right or ability of any Person to advance a claim for contribution or indemnity or otherwise with respect to any matter, action, cause or chose in action whether existing at present or commenced in the future, together with any other rights or claims not referred to above that are or would be claims provable in bankruptcy had the Debtors (or any one of them) become bankrupt on the Commencement Date, and for greater certainty, includes any Tax Claim and Extended Health Benefits Claims: provided, however, that "Pre-Commencement Claim" shall not include an Unaffected Claim or any contingent liabilities that may be crystallized in the future under any applicable environmental laws of British Columbia arising from the Debtors' operations and undertakings at Powell River, Port Alberni and Crofton, all situated in the Province of British Columbia;

"PREI" means, collectively, all of Catalyst's right, title and interest in Powell River Energy Inc. and the Powell River Energy Limited Partnership ("PRELP") including:

- a. 50,001 common shares in Powell River Energy Inc.;
- b. long term debt of \$20.8 million owing by Powell River Energy Inc. to Catalyst Paper Energy Holdings Inc. ("CPEHI"), maturing December 21, 2021 under subordinated promissory notes issued by Powell River Energy Inc. and any other indebtedness owing to CPEHI by Powell River Energy Inc. or PRELP; and
- c. a 49.95% limited partnership interest in PRELP under a limited partnership agreement between 3795669 Canada Limited, as general partner and Pacific Paper Inc. (predecessor to CPEHI) and Powell River Energy Trust, as limited partners;

but excluding, for greater certainty, Catalyst's interest in the power purchase agreement dated February 1, 2011, between Powell River Energy Inc. and Catalyst.

"PREI Proceeds Pool" means an aggregate amount equal to 50% of the net proceeds received by the Debtors on account of the sale of PREI, which shall be paid by reorganized Catalyst to the Monitor within three (3) Business Days following the closing of the sale of PREI, and which shall be distributed by the Monitor to Unsecured Creditors who are not (a) General Unsecured Cash Creditors or (b) Equity Election Creditors; provided, however, that no distributions shall be made from the PREI Proceeds Pool until all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order; provided, further, however, that the Monitor shall return to reorganized Catalyst any amounts remaining in the PREI Proceeds Pool after distribution, due to the exercise of valid Equity Elections by Equity Election Creditors;

"Prior CBCA Proceeding" means the Debtors' in and out of court restructuring efforts pursuant to the CBCA, including the formulation, preparation, dissemination, and negotiation of a plan of arrangement and the filing of a proceeding in this Court;

"Proof of Claim" means the form to be completed and filed by a Creditor, in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order, setting forth its proposed Claim(s);

"Record Date" means March 16, 2012;

"Registered Shareholder" means a holder of Equity Interests as shown on the securities register maintained by or on behalf of Catalyst;

"Released Parties" means, collectively, each in their respective capacities as such, (i) the Officers, employees, legal and financial advisors, and other representatives of the Debtors as of the Commencement Date; (ii) the Directors and their legal and financial advisors; (iii) the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee's legal advisors, and the First Lien Noteholders; (iv) the members of the Steering Group and any other Initial Supporting Noteholders and their legal and financial advisors; (v) the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders and their legal and financial advisors; (vi) the Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee and the Unsecured Noteholders; (vii) the Monitor and their legal advisors; and (viii) current and former holders of Equity Interests;

"Required Majority" means, with respect to each Voting Class, a majority in number of Affected Creditors who represent at least two-thirds in value of the Allowed Claims of Affected Creditors who actually vote or are deemed to have voted pursuant to the Meetings Order on the resolution approving the Plan (in person, by proxy or by ballot) at the Meetings, which tally may include, subject to an Order of the Court which may be sought after the Meeting Date, the Claims of other Unsecured Creditors that may be deemed by such Order to vote in favour of the resolution approving the Plan;

"Restructuring and Support Agreement" means the Restructuring and Support Agreement, dated March 11, 2012, among Catalyst, certain of its Subsidiaries, and the Consenting Noteholders, as subsequently amended pursuant to its terms;

"Restructuring Claim" means any right or claim of any Person against the Debtors (or any one of them) in connection with any indebtedness, liability or obligation of any kind whatsoever owed by the Debtors (or any one of them) to such Person arising out of the restructuring, disclaimer, resiliation, termination, or breach on or after the Commencement Date of any contract, employment agreement, lease or other agreement or arrangement, whether written or oral, and whether such restructuring, disclaimer, resiliation, termination or breach took place or takes place before or after the date of the Claims Procedure Order, and includes for greater certainty any right or claim of an employee of any of the Debtors arising from a termination of its employment after the Commencement Date; provided, however, that "Restructuring Claim" shall not include an Unaffected Claim;

"Restructuring Expenses" means the expenses provided for in Section 6.13 hereof;

"Sanction Order" means an Order by the Court under the CCAA to, among other things, sanction, authorize and approve the Plan, in a form and substance satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;

"Securities" means the First Lien Notes, the Unsecured Notes, and the Equity Interests;

"SISP" means the sale and investor solicitation process approved by the SISP Order, as may be amended or varied by further Order;

"SISP Order" means the Order of the Court dated March 22, 2012, approving the SISP and the Stalking Horse Reimbursement Charge, as may be amended or varied by further Order in accordance with Section 6.5 hereof or otherwise;

"Stalking Horse Reimbursement Charge" means the charge granted pursuant to paragraph 7 of the SISP Order, as more particularly set out therein, in favour of the Stalking Horse Bidder (as such term is defined in the SISP Order);

"Steering Group" means the steering group of the First Lien Noteholders;

"Subsidiaries" means corporations or other Persons in which Catalyst has a direct or indirect controlling equity interest, including any subsidiary body corporate as defined in the CBCA;

"Tax" or "Taxes" means any and all amounts subject to a withholding or remitting obligation and any and all taxes, duties, fees, and other governmental charges, duties, impositions and liabilities of any kind whatsoever whether or not assessed by the Taxing Authorities (including any Claims by any of the Taxing Authorities), including all interest, penalties, fines, fees, other charges and additions with respect to such amount;

"Tax Act" means the Income Tax Act (Canada), as amended;

"Tax Claim" means any Claim against the Debtors (or any of them) for any Taxes in respect of any taxation year or period ending on or prior to the Commencement Date, and in any case where a taxation year or period commences on or prior to the Commencement Date, for any Taxes in respect of or attributable to the portion of the taxation period commencing prior to the Commencement Date and up to and including the Commencement Date. For greater certainty, a Tax Claim shall include, without limitation, any and all Claims of any Taxing Authority in respect of transfer pricing adjustments and any Canadian or non-resident Tax related thereto;

"Taxing Authorities" means Her Majesty the Queen, Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, Her Majesty the Queen in right of any province or territory of Canada, the Canada Revenue Agency, any similar revenue or taxing authority of each and every province or territory of Canada and any political subdivision thereof, and any Canadian or foreign governmental authority, and "Taxing Authority" means any one of the Taxing Authorities;

"TSX" means the Toronto Stock Exchange;

"Unaffected Claim" means, subject to further Order of the Court:

- a. any right or claim of any Person that may be asserted or made in whole or in part against the Debtors (or any of them) in connection with any indebtedness, liability or obligation of any kind which arose in respect of obligations first incurred on or after the Commencement Date (other than Restructuring Claims and Directors/Officers Claims) and any interest thereon, including any obligation of the Debtors toward creditors who have supplied or shall supply services, utilities, goods or materials or who have or shall have advanced funds to the Debtors on or after the Commencement Date, but only to the extent of their claims in respect of the supply of such services, utilities, goods, materials or funds on or after the Commencement Date;
- b. any Claim secured by any CCAA Charge;
- c. that portion of a Claim arising from a cause of action for which the Debtors are covered by insurance, but only to the extent of such coverage;
- d. any ABL Facility Claim;
- e. any DIP Facility Claim;
- f. any Intercompany Claim;
- g. any Claim referred to in sections 6(3), 6(5) and 6(6) of the CCAA;
- h. any Governmental Priority Claim;
- any claims with respect to reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel of any Debtor, the Monitor, a Claims Officer, any Assistant (as defined in paragraph 5 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order), or any financial advisor retained by any of the foregoing, as approved by the Court to the extent required;
- j. any Claim of any employee of the Debtors (or any of them) employed by the Debtors (or any of them) as of the Commencement Date, but only in respect of a Claim for wages, including vacation pay and banked time;
- k. any Claim secured by a Lien other than the First Lien Notes Claims; and
- 1. any Claim existing on the Commencement Date that has been satisfied, cured or rectified on or before the date of the Sanction Order;

"Unpaid Interest" means, collectively, the First Lien Notes Unpaid Interest and the Unsecured Notes Unpaid Interest;

"Unsecured Claims" means the Unsecured Notes Claims and the General Unsecured Claims, including Convenience Claims;

- "Unsecured Claims Class" means the Class comprising the Unsecured Claims;
- "Unsecured Creditors" means the Unsecured Noteholders and the General Unsecured Creditors;
- "Unsecured Creditors Meeting" means the meeting of the Unsecured Creditors to be held on the Meeting Date for the purpose of considering and voting on the Plan pursuant to the CCAA, and includes any adjournment, postponement or other rescheduling of such meeting;
- "Unsecured Noteholders" means all holders of Unsecured Notes, including where applicable beneficial holders of Unsecured Notes;
- "Unsecured Notes" means the 7½ % senior notes due March 1, 2014, in the principal amount of \$250,000,000 issued by Catalyst pursuant to the Unsecured Notes Indenture;
- "Unsecured Notes Claims" means all Claims for amounts due in respect of the Unsecured Notes, including without limitation outstanding principal and the Unsecured Notes Unpaid Interest;
- "Unsecured Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture, dated as of March 23, 2004, among Catalyst, the guarantors party thereto and the Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee, as amended, modified or supplemented prior to the date hereof;
- "Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee" means Wells Fargo Bank, National Association;
- "Unsecured Notes Unpaid Interest" means an amount equal to the accrued and unpaid interest under the Unsecured Notes as of the Effective Date, such interest calculated using the applicable contract rate under the Unsecured Notes Indenture;
- "U.S. Bankruptcy Code" means title 11 of the United States Code, as amended;
- "U.S. Court" means the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware;
- "U.S. Distribution Agent" means Catalyst Paper Holdings Inc., as designated by the Debtors to receive delivery of the New Common Shares intended for distribution to those General Unsecured Creditors located in the United States who have made a valid Equity Election and to distribute the New Common Shares to such eligible General Unsecured Creditors; and
- "Voting Classes" means the Unsecured Claims Class and the First Lien Notes Claims Class.

Section 1.2 Accounting Terms.

All accounting terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles including those prescribed by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants.

Section 1.3 Articles of Reference

The terms "hereof", "hereunder", "herein" and similar expressions refer to the Plan and not to any particular article, section, subsection, clause or paragraph of the Plan and include any agreements supplemental hereto. In the Plan, a reference to an article, section, subsection, clause or paragraph shall, unless otherwise stated, refer to an article, section, subsection, clause or paragraph of the Plan.

Section 1.4 Interpretation Not Affected by Headings

The division of the Plan into articles, sections, subsections, clauses and paragraphs and the insertion of a table of contents and headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of the Plan.

Section 1.5 Date for Any Action

In the event that any date on which any action is required to be taken hereunder is not a Business Day, such action shall be required to be taken on the next succeeding day which is a Business Day.

Section 1.6 Time

All times expressed herein are local time in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada unless otherwise stipulated.

Section 1.7 Definitions in the CCAA

A word or words with initial capitalized letters used herein and not defined herein but defined in the CCAA shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the CCAA as of the date hereof unless the context otherwise requires.

Section 1.8 Number, Etc.

In the Plan, where the context requires, a word importing the singular number shall include the plural and vice versa; a word or words importing gender shall include all genders and the words "including" and "includes" mean "including (or includes) without limitation".

Section 1.9 Currency

Unless otherwise specified, all references to monetary amounts are to lawful currency of the United States of America. All Affected Claims denominated in a currency other than U.S. Dollars shall, for the purposes of the Plan, be converted to and shall constitute obligations in U.S. dollars, such calculation to be effected using the Bank of Canada noon spot rate on the Commencement Date (exchange rate conversion on such date was: USD \$1.00 = CAD \$1.0052).

Section 1.10 Statutory References

Except as provided herein, any reference in the Plan to a statute includes all regulations and rules made thereunder, all amendments to such statute, regulation or rules in force from time to time, and any statute, regulation or rule that supplements or supersedes such statute or regulation.

Section 1.11 Governing Law

The Plan shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the Laws of the Province of British Columbia and the federal Laws of Canada applicable thereto. All questions as to the interpretation or application of the Plan and all proceedings taken in connection with the Plan shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court.

ARTICLE 2 PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF PLAN

Section 2.1 Purpose

The purpose of the Plan is to effect a compromise of Affected Claims to enable the Debtors' businesses to continue, and to maximize the recovery of the Debtors' Creditors. Ensuring the continuance of the Debtors' businesses will significantly benefit all stakeholders, including the Debtors' many current and former employees, trade suppliers, customers, and the communities in which the Debtors operate. The successful implementation of this Plan will provide greater benefits to all Persons with an economic interest in the Debtors than would result from the bankruptcy of the Debtors, which benefits will have far-reaching positive effects on the economy as a whole.

Section 2.2 Agreement

The Plan is made pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Restructuring and Support Agreement.

Section 2.3 Affected Creditors

On the Effective Date, the Plan will be binding on each Debtor and all Affected Creditors to the extent of their Affected Claims. For greater certainty, other than the Extended Health Benefits Claims (which will be compromised under the Plan), the terms "Claim" and "Affected Claim" do not include any obligation of the Debtors to any current employee, former employee, retired employee, pension plan member or beneficiary, or a pension plan administrator, in respect of any registered pension plan, non-registered pension plan, health benefit or any other employment-related or post-retirement entitlement or benefit in effect at the Commencement Date including, without limitation, any pension "bridging" benefits and "top-up" benefits and such obligations shall not be affected by the Plan.

Section 2.4 Existing Shareholders

On the Effective Date, the Plan will be binding on Catalyst and all Existing Shareholders. Existing Shareholders shall not receive a distribution under the Plan or otherwise recover anything in respect of their Equity Interests. All existing Equity Interests shall be cancelled and extinguished on the Effective Date.

Section 2.5 Unaffected Persons

Holders of Unaffected Claims will not be affected, to the extent of their Unaffected Claims, by the compromises set out in the Plan.

ARTICLE 3 CLASSIFICATION AND TREATMENT OF AFFECTED CLAIMS

Section 3.1 Classification of Affected Claims

All Affected Claims are classified into two Voting Classes—the First Lien Notes Claims Class and the Unsecured Claims Class.

The First Lien Notes Claims Class consists of the First Lien Notes Claims. The Unsecured Claims Class consists of both the Unsecured Notes Claims and the General Unsecured Claims.

Section 3.2 Treatment of Affected Claims

An Affected Claim shall receive distributions as set forth below only to the extent that such Claim is an Allowed Claim and has not been paid, released, or otherwise satisfied prior to the Effective Date.

First Lien Notes Claims Class

- a. The First Lien Notes Claims shall be an Allowed Claim, and for the purposes of distribution shall be in the aggregate principal amount of \$384,534,000, comprised of (i) \$280,434,000 on account of the Class A Notes and (ii) \$104,100,000 on account of the Class B Notes, plus the First Lien Notes Unpaid Interest.
- b. On the Effective Date, the First Lien Notes shall be cancelled, and in full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all Allowed First Lien Notes Claims,
 - i. each Class A Noteholder as of the Effective Date shall be entitled to receive its pro rata share of:
 - 1) the New First Lien Notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$182,000,000, and

- 2) 10,502,352 New Common Shares (which shall equal 72.933% of the New Common Shares, subject to dilution only from the issuance of New Common Shares in connection with the exercise by Unsecured Creditors of valid Equity Elections and any Management Incentive Plan); and
- ii. each Class B Noteholder as of the Effective Date shall be entitled to receive its pro rata share of:
 - 1) the New First Lien Notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$68,000,000, and
 - 2) 3,897,648 New Common Shares (which shall equal 27.067% of the New Common Shares, subject to dilution only from the issuance of New Common Shares in connection with the exercise by Unsecured Creditors of valid Equity Elections and any Management Incentive Plan).

Unsecured Claims Class

Unsecured Notes Claims

- a. The Unsecured Notes Claims shall be an Allowed Claim, and for the purposes of distribution shall be in the aggregate principal amount of \$250,000,000 plus the Unsecured Notes Unpaid Interest.
- b. On the Effective Date, the Unsecured Notes shall be cancelled and, in full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all Allowed Unsecured Notes Claims, each Unsecured Noteholder as of the Effective Date shall be entitled to receive its pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of the PREI Proceeds Pool; provided, however, that each Equity Election Creditor, if any, shall, on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, in full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all such holder's Allowed Unsecured Notes Claims, receive its pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of 600,000 New Common Shares.

General Unsecured Claims

a. In full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all Allowed General Unsecured Claims, each holder of an Allowed General Unsecured Claim shall be entitled to receive:

- i. if such holder is a General Unsecured Proceeds Creditor who is not an Equity Election Creditor, its pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (1) Allowed or (2) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of the PREI Proceeds Pool;
- ii. if such holder is an Equity Election Creditor, its pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (1) Allowed or (2) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of 600,000 New Common Shares; or
- iii. if such holder is a General Unsecured Cash Creditor:
 - 1) such holder's Convenience Cash Amount, to an aggregate limit of the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool, or, if applicable,
 - 2) to the extent that the aggregate of all Convenience Cash Amounts would exceed the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool:
 - a. in respect of two (2) times the amount of cash to be received, such holder's pro rata share of the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool, and
 - b. in respect of the balance of such holder's Allowed Claim, such holder's pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (x) Allowed or (y) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of the PREI Proceeds Pool.
- b. The Extended Health Benefits Claims shall be an Allowed Claim.

Section 3.3 Voting by Affected Creditors

First Lien Noteholders shall be entitled to attend and vote at the First Lien Noteholders Meeting. Unsecured Creditors, including Unsecured Noteholders and General Unsecured Creditors (including Convenience Creditors) shall be entitled to attend and vote at the Unsecured Creditors Meeting; provided, however, that, in accordance with the Meetings Order, Creditors who have made a valid Cash Election shall be deemed to vote in favour of the Plan and shall not be entitled to vote at the Unsecured Creditors Meeting. For greater certainty, only those Noteholders who have beneficial ownership of a Claim as of the Record Date shall be entitled to vote at the Meetings pursuant to and in accordance with the Meetings Order. Also for greater certainty, (a) any Convenience Share Election (as such term is defined in the Plan of

Compromise and Arrangement of Catalyst dated March 15, 2012) made by a Convenience Creditor prior to the date hereof in accordance with the Meetings Order shall be of no further force and effect and such Convenience Creditor shall be entitled (i) to the distribution provided hereunder applicable to a Convenience Creditor and (ii) to make an Equity Election in accordance with the terms hereof, and (b) any Cash Election made by a General Unsecured Creditor prior to the date hereof in accordance with the Meetings Order shall be in full force and effect, provided, however, that each Cash Election Creditor shall be entitled (i) to revoke such Cash Election and receive the distribution provided to General Unsecured Proceeds Creditors and/or (ii) to make an Equity Election, each in accordance with the terms hereof.

Affected Creditors with Disputed Claims shall be entitled to attend the Meetings and cast a vote in respect of the Plan. The Monitor shall keep a separate record and tabulation of any votes cast in respect of Disputed Claims. The Monitor shall report the result of the vote and the tabulation of votes of Allowed Claims and Disputed Claims to the Court and, if the decision by Affected Creditors whether to approve or reject the Plan is affected by the votes cast in respect of the Disputed Claims, Catalyst shall seek direction from the Court in respect thereof. The fact that a Disputed Claim is allowed for voting purposes shall not preclude Catalyst or the Monitor from disputing the Disputed Claim for distribution purposes.

Section 3.4 Approval by Affected Creditors

In order to be approved by the Affected Creditors, the Plan must receive an affirmative vote, in accordance with the provisions of the Meetings Order, by the Required Majority in each Voting Class.

Section 3.5 Unaffected Claims

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Creditor shall be entitled to vote or receive any distributions under the Plan in respect of an Unaffected Claim. Nothing in the Plan shall affect the Debtors' rights and defences with respect to any Unaffected Claim.

Section 3.6 Disputed Claims

Affected Creditors with Disputed Claims on the Effective Date shall not be entitled to receive any distribution hereunder with respect to such Disputed Claims until and to the extent that such Claim becomes an Allowed Claim. A Disputed Claim shall be referred for resolution in the manner set out in the Claims Procedure Order. Subject to Section 6.6(4), no distributions shall be paid to Unsecured Creditors until all Disputed Claims are finally (a) Allowed or (b) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order.

Section 3.7 Extinguishment of Claims

As of and from the Effective Time and in accordance with the provisions of the Sanction Order, the treatment of Affected Claims under the Plan (including Allowed Claims and Disputed Claims) shall be final and binding on the Debtors and all Affected Creditors (and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal personal representatives, successors and assigns) and all Affected Claims shall be released and discharged as against the Debtors and the Debtors shall thereupon be released from all Affected Claims, including without limitation contracts and plans

related to the Extended Health Benefits Claims, other than the obligations of the Debtors to make payments in the manner and to the extent provided for in the Plan; provided, however, that such discharge and release shall be without prejudice to the right of a holder of a Disputed Claim to prove such Disputed Claim so that such Disputed Claim becomes an Allowed Claim entitled to receive consideration under Section 6.6 hereof; provided, further, however, that the Allowed Claims shall be released and discharged as follows: (a) at the Effective Time for (i) the Unsecured Claims, and (ii) the First Lien Note Claims on a pro-rata basis to the extent that the amount of the First Lien Note Claims exceeds the aggregate of the fair market value of the New Common Shares to be issued and the aggregate principal amount of the New First Lien Notes; and (b) at 12:01 a.m. on the Business Day next following the Effective Time (i) the First Lien Note Claims, on a pro-rata basis to the extent of the aggregate principal amount of the New First Lien Notes, and (ii) the First Lien Note Claims remaining outstanding after the release and discharge in clause (b)(i) shall be settled on a pro-rata basis by the issuance of the New Common Shares in accordance with Section 6.1 and Section 6.2 hereof.

Section 3.8 Governmental Priority Claims

Within six months after the date of the Sanction Order, each Debtor incorporated in Canada shall pay in full to any applicable Governmental Entities all amounts that were outstanding at the Commencement Date and are of a kind that could be subject to a demand under:

- a. subsection 224(1.2) of the Tax Act;
- b. any provision of the Canada Pension Plan or of the Employment Insurance Act that refers to subsection 224(1.2) of the Tax Act and provides for the collection of a contribution, as defined in the Canada Pension Plan, or an employee's premium, or employer's premium, as defined in the Employment Insurance Act, or a premium under Part VII.1 of that Act, and of any related interest, penalties or other amounts; or
- c. any provision of provincial legislation that has a similar purpose to subsection 224(1.2) of the Tax Act, or that refers to that subsection, to the extent that it provides for the collection of a sum, and of any related interest, penalties or other amounts, where the sum:
 - i. has been withheld or deducted by a person from a payment to another person and is in respect of a tax similar in nature to the income tax imposed on individuals under the Tax Act; or
 - ii. is of the same nature as a contribution under the *Canada Pension Plan* if the province is a "province providing a comprehensive pension plan" as defined in subsection 3(1) of the *Canada Pension Plan* and the provincial legislation establishes a "provincial pension plan" as defined in that subsection.

ARTICLE 4 SANCTION ORDER

Section 4.1 Application for Sanction Order

As soon as reasonably practicable following the approval of the Plan by the Required Majorities, the Debtors shall bring a motion seeking the Sanction Order for prompt hearing by the Court and in accordance with the timeline set forth in the Restructuring and Support Agreement.

Section 4.2 Effect of the Sanction Order

In addition to approving and sanctioning the Plan, and subject to the discretion of the Court, the Sanction Order shall, among other things and without limitation:

a. declare that:

- i. the Plan has been approved by the Required Majorities of Affected Creditors in conformity with the CCAA;
- ii. the Debtors have complied with the provisions of the CCAA and the Orders made in the CCAA Proceedings in all respects;
- iii. the Court is satisfied that the Debtors have not done nor purported to do anything that is not authorized by the CCAA; and
- iv. the Plan and transactions contemplated thereby are procedurally and substantively fair and reasonable to Affected Creditors;
- b. direct and authorize the Debtors and the Monitor to fulfill their obligations under the Plan, including to complete the transactions and distributions contemplated under the Plan;
- c. confirm the effect of the Claims Procedure Order, including, without limitation, the effect of the Claims Bar Date, and the releases, waivers, injunctions and prohibitions provided thereunder;
- d. confirm the effect of the Meetings Order;
- e. effective on the Effective Date, declare that the compromises, waivers, releases and injunctions effected by the Plan are approved, binding, and effective as herein set out on all Affected Creditors, Existing Shareholders, and all other Persons affected by the Plan;
- f. continue the stay of proceedings contained in the Amended and Restated Initial Order until the CCAA Proceedings are terminated by Order of the Court;

- g. confirm that the CCAA Charges as provided in the Amended and Restated Initial Order shall continue in effect until such time as the CCAA Proceedings are terminated and all obligations secured thereby are paid in full or as may be otherwise secured, satisfied or arranged;
- h. effective on the Effective Date, except as otherwise provided in the Plan, declare that all notes, shares, instruments, certificates, indentures, guarantees, and other documents or agreements evidencing the First Lien Notes Claims, the Unsecured Notes Claims, and Equity Interests, including, without limitation, the First Lien Notes, the Unsecured Notes, the First Lien Notes Indentures, and the Unsecured Notes Indenture, are deemed cancelled and are of no further force or effect, whether surrendered for cancellation or otherwise, and the obligations of the Debtors thereunder or in any way related thereto are satisfied and discharged, except to the extent expressly set forth in Section 6.07 of the Unsecured Notes Indenture and Section 6.06 of the First Lien Notes Indenture;
- i. declare that the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee shall be authorized to execute releases of the property and other assets included in the Collateral (as such term is defined in the First Lien Notes Indenture) from the Liens created by the Collateral Documents (as such term is defined in the First Lien Notes Indenture), in the forms prepared by the Debtors, at the written request of the Debtors (without the delivery of an officer's certificate or opinion), subject to paragraph (h) above;
- i. effective as of the Effective Date, release all Post-Filing Interest and Costs;
- k. declare that the appointment of the Claims Officer shall cease as of the Effective Time except with respect to matters to be completed pursuant to the Plan after the Effective Time (including the resolution of any Disputed Claims pursuant to the Claims Procedure Order);
- l. declare that, as of and from the Effective Time and except to the extent expressly contemplated by the Plan, all obligations or agreements to which any Debtor is a party (including all equipment leases and real property leases) shall be and remain in full force and effect, unamended as of the Effective Date, unless terminated, disclaimed or repudiated by a Debtor in the CCAA Proceedings, and no Person who is a party to any such obligation or agreement shall, on or after the Effective Date, accelerate, terminate, rescind, refuse to renew, refuse to perform or otherwise repudiate its obligations thereunder, or enforce or exercise, or purport to enforce or exercise, any right (including any right of set off, combination of accounts, dilution, buy out, divestiture, forced purchase or sale option or other remedy) or make any demand under or in respect of any such obligation or agreement, by reason of:
 - i. any event or events which occurred on or before the Effective Date and is not continuing after the Effective Date or which is or

continues to be suspended or waived under the Plan, which would have entitled any party thereto to enforce such rights or remedies (including defaults or events of default arising as a result of the insolvency of any Debtor);

- ii. any Debtor having sought or obtained relief under the CCAA; or
- iii. any compromises, arrangements, reorganizations or transactions effected pursuant to the Plan; and
- m. effective on the Effective Date, permanently enjoin the commencement or prosecution, whether directly, derivatively or otherwise, of any demands, claims, actions, counterclaims, suits, judgements, or other remedy or recovery with respect to any indebtedness, liability, obligation or cause of action released, discharged or terminated pursuant to the Plan.

ARTICLE 5 CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Section 5.1 Conditions of Plan Implementation

The implementation of the Plan is conditional on the satisfaction or waiver (subject to Section 5.2 hereof) on or before the Effective Date of the following conditions, in a manner satisfactory to Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders:

- a. since December 31, 2011, there shall have been no Material Adverse Effect except as disclosed in the Information;
- b. the following shall have occurred by the dates set forth below:
 - i. the Meetings shall have occurred no later than June 25, 2012;
 - ii. the Plan shall have been approved by the Required Majorities of each Voting Class;
 - iii. the Sanction Order shall have been obtained no later than June 29, 2012 in accordance with Section 4.2 hereof;
 - iv. Catalyst shall have obtained an Order from the U.S. Court under chapter 15 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code recognizing that the Sanction Order is in full force and effect in the United States, which Order be satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and shall have become a Final Order; and
 - v. the Sanction Order shall have become a Final Order;

or such later date as may be agreed to among the Debtors and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and in accordance with the Restructuring and Support Agreement;

- c. there shall have been no breach in any material respect by the Debtors of any of the obligations, representations, warranties, or covenants of the Debtors set forth in the Restructuring and Support Agreement;
- d. the New First Lien Notes Security shall have been executed and delivered, together with standard supporting authorizing documents, and legal opinions from counsel to the applicable Catalyst Companies, in form and content reasonably satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, and registrations to perfect the liens created thereunder shall have been completed with the priority contemplated by the New First Lien Notes Indenture;
- e. Catalyst shall have entered into agreements with respect to the New ABL Facility and Exit Facility, if any, which agreements shall be satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and an intercreditor agreement entered into between the New ABL Facility Lender and the First Lien Noteholders or the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, subject to Section 5.2 hereof;
- f. all amounts owing by Catalyst pursuant to or in respect of the ABL Facility Claims (including by payment into escrow with the Monitor of any such amounts disputed as owing) shall have been paid in full in cash and the discharge on or before implementation of all security with respect thereto;
- g. the New First Lien Notes Indenture, New First Lien Notes Security, and all related agreements and other documents necessary to consummate the Plan shall have become effective, subject only to implementation of the Plan;
- h. all agreements and other documents and other instruments relating to the Plan shall be in form and content satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, as applicable and as set forth in the Restructuring and Support Agreement;
- i. any applicable governmental, regulatory and judicial consents or orders, and other similar consents and approvals, and all filings with all governmental authorities, securities commissions and other regulatory authorities having jurisdiction, in each case to the effect necessary for the completion of the transactions contemplated by the Plan or any aspect thereof, shall have been made, obtained or received and are not subject to any reversal or stay;

- j. reorganized Catalyst shall be a reporting issuer in certain provinces of Canada, and Catalyst's bylaws shall have been amended by its board of Directors to provide that reorganized Catalyst will use reasonable efforts to maintain its status as a reporting issuer in one or more provinces of Canada;
- k. the Debtors shall have taken all necessary corporate actions and proceedings in connection with the Plan, including the execution and filing of any articles of amendment or reorganization or other document to implement the Plan, which shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;
- l. all agreements and documents necessary to implement and give effect to the Plan shall have been executed and delivered by all relevant Persons;
- m. all steps, conditions and documents necessary to the implementation of the Plan (including without limitation those set out above) are capable of being implemented on or before the Effective Date;
- n. no action shall have been instituted and be continuing on the Effective Date for an injunction to restrain, a declaratory judgement in respect of, or damages on account of, or relating to, the Plan;
- o. the New Labour Contracts remain effective and PPWC and CEP continue to abide by the terms thereof in all material respects and are not disputing the effectiveness thereof;
- p. the letters of credit posted as collateral for the KERP shall have been cancelled in exchange for the KERP Charge, and all cash collateral with respect thereto returned to Catalyst. In addition, the KERP shall have been modified and a Court Order obtained approving same as follows:

Solely with respect to the "Tier I" and "Tier II" beneficiaries of the KERP (as identified in the KERP), the retention payments scheduled under the KERP shall be made as follows:

- i. 45% (or \$1.9 million) to be paid on December 31, 2012;
- ii. 25% (or \$1 million) to be paid on December 31, 2013; and
- iii. 30% (or \$1.3 million) to be paid on December 31, 2013, provided, however, that such payment shall not be made unless and until any outstanding PIK Notes have been paid in cash in full;

or in another manner acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;

- q. the Restructuring Expenses incurred through and including the Effective Date shall have been paid in full or otherwise satisfied or arranged; and
- r. Catalyst shall have obtained the regulatory assistance from the Government of British Columbia so as to implement the changes to the Catalyst Retirement Plan for Salaried Employees as are detailed as being based on Option 4 augmented by its proposed Special Portability Option in the Proposal for Regulatory Assistance submitted to the Government of British Columbia by Catalyst on May 27, 2012.

Section 5.2 Waiver of Conditions.

Any Condition Precedent other than any statutory requirements regarding the voting, approval and sanctioning of the Plan pursuant to the provisions of the CCAA may only be waived by the Debtors with the written consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and, to the extent that any such waiver implicates any right or duty of the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee under the First Lien Notes Indenture or the Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee under the Unsecured Notes Indenture, the applicable Indenture Trustee.

Section 5.3 Monitor's Certificate

Upon being advised in writing by counsel for the Debtors and counsel for the Initial Supporting Noteholders that the Conditions Precedent have been satisfied or waived in accordance with Section 5.2 hereof and that the Plan is capable of being implemented, the Monitor shall file with the Court a certificate stating that all Conditions Precedent of the Plan have been satisfied or waived in accordance with the Plan and that the Plan is capable of being implemented forthwith.

Section 5.4 Failure to Satisfy Conditions Precedent

If the Conditions Precedent are not satisfied or waived in accordance with Section 5.2 hereof on or before the day which is 45 days after the date on which the Sanction Order is issued or such later date as may be specified by the Debtors (with the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and in accordance with the Restructuring and Support Agreement), the Plan shall not be implemented and the Plan and the Sanction Order shall cease to have any further force or effect.

ARTICLE 6 IMPLEMENTATION OF PLAN

Section 6.1 Cancellation of Securities and Indentures

On the Effective Date, except as otherwise provided in the Plan, all notes, shares, instruments, certificates, indentures, guarantees, and other documents or agreements evidencing the First Lien Notes Claims, the Unsecured Notes Claims, and Equity Interests, including, without limitation, the First Lien Notes, the Unsecured Notes, the First Lien Notes Indentures, and the Unsecured Notes Indenture, shall be deemed automatically cancelled and shall be of no

further force or effect, whether surrendered for cancellation or otherwise, and the obligations of the Debtors thereunder or in any way related thereto shall be satisfied and discharged, except to the extent expressly set forth in Section 6.02 of the Unsecured Notes Indenture and Section 6.06 of the First Lien Notes Indenture. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) an aggregate principal amount of the First Lien Note Claims equal to the aggregate principal amount of the New First Lien Notes and the fair market value of the New Common Shares shall be cancelled and of no further force and effect, whether surrendered for cancellation or otherwise, at 12:01 a.m. on the Business Day next following the Effective Date, and (ii) the Equity Interests shall be cancelled and be of no further force and effect immediately prior to the issuance of the New Common Shares pursuant to Section 6.2(2) hereof.

Section 6.2 Issuance of Plan Securities

1. New First Lien Notes

At 12:01 a.m. on the Business Day next following the Effective Date, the New First Lien Notes shall be issued pursuant to the New First Lien Notes Indenture.

2. New Common Shares

At 12:01 a.m. on the Business Day next following the Effective Date, reorganized Catalyst shall issue 14,400,000 New Common Shares to the First Lien Noteholders and shall on such date or as soon as practicable thereafter issue such additional New Common Shares as are required to be delivered to Equity Election Creditors in accordance with the terms hereof.

It is contemplated that reorganized Catalyst shall be a reporting issuer in certain provinces in Canada and, on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, reorganized Catalyst shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the New Common Shares to be approved for listing by the TSX or other securities exchange acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, subject to standard listing conditions; *provided, however*, that under no circumstances shall reorganized Catalyst be required to undertake a public offering to satisfy the standard listing conditions if such listing conditions are not otherwise met.

Section 6.3 Equity Election

On or before seven (7) days after the date of the Sanction Order, the Monitor shall distribute to all Unsecured Creditors who are not Cash Election Creditors, in accordance with the solicitation procedures set forth in the Meetings Order, an Equity Election Package.

To make a valid Equity Election, on or before the Equity Election Deadline:

- a. General Unsecured Creditors who are not Cash Election Creditors must return a completed Equity Election Form to the Monitor; and
- b. Unsecured Noteholders must return a completed Equity Election Form to such holder's Solicitation Agent (as such term is defined in the Meetings Order).

Section 6.4 Sale of PREI in Accordance with the SISP

As soon as reasonably practicable following the Effective Date, in accordance with the SISP, as such shall be amended in accordance with Section 6.5 hereof, the reorganized Debtors shall use commercially reasonable efforts to market and sell PREI in accordance with the SISP, in order to effect the distribution of the PREI Proceeds Pool.

Section 6.5 Amendment of the SISP Order

As soon as reasonably practicable following the date of the Sanction Order, the reorganized Debtors shall obtain those amendments to the SISP Order and the SISP as may be required to effect the sale of PREI as contemplated herein. For greater certainty, it is not contemplated that there will be a Stalking Horse Bid (as such term is defined in the SISP Order) in respect of PREI.

Section 6.6 Delivery and Allocation Procedures

1. Delivery and Allocation of Plan Securities to First Lien Noteholders

Delivery of certificates representing the Plan Securities to which the First Lien Noteholders are entitled under the Plan shall be made on or before the third (3rd) Business Day following the Effective Date.

The First Lien Notes are held by DTC. To the extent any or all of the Plan Securities are eligible to be distributed through DTC, the delivery of interests in Plan Securities to First Lien Noteholders will be made through the facilities of DTC to DTC participants, who, in turn will make delivery of interests in such Plan Securities to the beneficial holders of such First Lien Notes pursuant to standing instructions and customary practices. To the extent any or all of the Plan Securities are not eligible to be distributed through DTC, delivery shall be made by distributing physical certificates to First Lien Noteholders through the facilities of DTC or the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, as applicable. The Debtors and the Indenture Trustees will have no liability or obligation in respect of any deliveries from DTC, or its nominee, to DTC participants or to beneficial holders.

2. Delivery and Allocation of New Common Shares to Equity Election Creditors

On or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of (a) the Effective Date and (b) the Business Day following the date all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order, delivery of each Equity Election Creditor's pro rata share (calculated by reference to Section 3.2) of 600,000 New Common Shares shall be made.

Delivery to Unsecured Noteholders

The Unsecured Notes are held by DTC. To the extent the New Common Shares are eligible to be distributed through DTC, the delivery of interests in New Common Shares to Unsecured Noteholders who have made a valid Equity Election will be made through the facilities of DTC to DTC participants, who, in turn will make delivery of interests in such New

Common Shares to the beneficial holders of such Unsecured Notes entitled thereto pursuant to standing instructions and customary practices. To the extent the New Common Shares are not eligible to be distributed through DTC, delivery shall be made by distributing physical certificates to Unsecured Noteholders through the facilities of DTC or the Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee, as applicable. The Debtors and the Indenture Trustees will have no liability or obligation in respect of any deliveries from DTC, or its nominee, to DTC participants or to beneficial holders.

Delivery to General Unsecured Creditors Outside the United States

Delivery of New Common Shares to General Unsecured Creditors located outside the United States who have made a valid Equity Election will be made by mailing physical certificates to such General Unsecured Creditors by pre-paid ordinary mail to the address specified in such Creditor's Equity Election Form, Claims Amount Notice (as such term is defined in the Claims Procedure Order) or Proof of Claim.

Delivery to U.S. Distribution Agent and Process for Distribution to General Unsecured Creditors In the United States

The Debtors have designated a U.S. Distribution Agent for the purpose of distributing New Common Shares to those General Unsecured Creditors located in the United States who have made a valid Equity Election. The Debtors shall seek an Order from the U.S. Court in the Chapter 15 Proceedings with respect to the fairness of the transaction and otherwise approving the sale by the U.S. Distribution Agent on behalf of the Debtors to those eligible General Unsecured Creditors located in the United States of sufficient New Common Shares to match the number of New Common Shares that such eligible General Unsecured Creditors would have received, had such eligible General Unsecured Creditors been located outside of the United States. The sale of New Common Shares shall be in full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all Allowed General Unsecured Claims held by those General Unsecured Creditors located in the United States who have made a valid Equity Election.

On or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of (a) the Effective Date, (b) the Business Day following the date all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order, and (c) the Business Day following the date of the Order from the U.S. Court becoming a Final Order, the Debtors shall deliver the New Common Shares to the U.S. Distribution Agent by delivering the physical certificates for the New Common Shares to the U.S. Distribution Agent.

The U.S. Distribution Agent shall distribute the New Common Shares consistent with the Order from the U.S. Court to those General Unsecured Creditors located in the United States who have made a valid Equity Election by mailing physical certificates to such General Unsecured Creditors by pre-paid ordinary mail to the address specified in such Creditor's Equity Election Form, Claims Amount Notice (as such term is defined in the Claims Procedure Order) or Proof of Claim.

3. <u>Delivery of PREI Proceeds Pool to Unsecured Creditors Who Are Not Equity Election Creditors</u>

On or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of (a) the Effective Date, (b) the Business Day following the date all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order and (c) the Business Day following the closing of the sale of PREI, the Monitor shall distribute to each Affected Unsecured Creditor with an Allowed Unsecured Claim who has not made a valid Equity Election, such Creditor's pro rata share (calculated by reference to Section 3.2) of the PREI Proceeds Pool.

Delivery of cash to each Affected Unsecured Creditor with an Allowed Unsecured Claim who has not made a valid Equity Election will be made by way of cheque sent by pre-paid ordinary mail to the address specified in such Creditor's Claims Amount Notice (as such term is defined in the Claims Procedure Order) or Proof of Claim, or, if such Unsecured Creditor is an Unsecured Noteholder, to the DTC participant holding such Creditor's Unsecured Notes as at the Effective Time.

To the extent any part of the PREI Proceeds Pool remains after distribution to Affected Unsecured Creditors in accordance with the terms hereof, the Monitor shall return such cash to reorganized Catalyst.

4. Delivery of Convenience Cash Amounts to General Unsecured Cash Creditors

On or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of (a) the Effective Date and (b) the Business Day following the date all Disputed Claims of General Unsecured Cash Creditors have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order, the Monitor shall distribute to each Affected General Unsecured Cash Creditor with an Allowed General Unsecured Claim, such Creditor's Convenience Cash Amount (or its pro rata share of the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool in the event that the aggregate amount of all Convenience Cash Amounts exceeds the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool) by way of cheque sent by pre-paid ordinary mail to the address specified in such Creditor's Claims Amount Notice (as such term is defined in the Claims Procedure Order) or Proof of Claim.

Section 6.7 Tax Election

An Eligible Holder who is receiving New Common Shares shall be entitled to make an income tax election pursuant to subsection 85(1) of the Tax Act or, if the holder is a partnership, subsection 85(2) of the Tax Act (and in each case, where applicable, the analogous provisions of provincial income tax law) with respect to the transfer of such holder's First Lien Notes or Unsecured Notes to Catalyst at the amount determined by such Eligible Holder, subject to the limitations set out in subsection 85(1) of the Tax Act (or any applicable tax legislation).

Section 6.8 Exchange Warrants

Any Electing Noteholder may, by giving notice to Catalyst, with copies to counsel for the Initial Supporting Noteholders as set forth in Subsection 8.9(ii) hereof, in the form prescribed in the Meetings Order, such notice to be delivered to Catalyst on or prior to the date of the Meetings, elect to receive Exchange Warrants in lieu of any Excess New Common Shares such

Noteholder would have otherwise received under the Plan in the absence of providing such notice. Delivery by Catalyst of Exchange Warrants exercisable for a number of New Common Shares equal to the number of Excess New Common Shares an Electing Noteholder would otherwise have received under the Plan but for delivering such notice will satisfy in full the obligation Catalyst would otherwise have had under the Plan to deliver such number of New Common Shares to the Electing Noteholder.

Section 6.9 Withholding Rights

Catalyst, the Monitor and/or the Indenture Trustees shall be entitled to deduct and withhold from any consideration or distribution otherwise payable to any Noteholder or General Unsecured Creditors such amounts as Catalyst, the Monitor and/or the Indenture Trustees are required to deduct and withhold with respect to such payment under Law. To the extent that amounts are so withheld, such withheld amounts shall be treated for all purposes hereof as having been paid to the holder of the securities in respect of which such deduction and withholding was made, provided that such withheld amounts are actually remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. Catalyst, the Monitor and/or the Indenture Trustees are hereby authorized to sell or otherwise dispose of such portion of the consideration (including to exercise Exchange Warrants, if necessary, provided at no time shall an Electing Noteholder hold in excess of 20% of the New Common Shares) as is necessary to provide sufficient funds to Catalyst, the Monitor and/or the Indenture Trustees shall notify the holder thereof and remit any unapplied balance of the net proceeds of such sale.

Section 6.10 Calculations

All amounts of consideration to be received hereunder will be calculated to the nearest cent (\$0.01). All calculations and determinations made by Catalyst for the purposes of and in accordance with the Plan, including, without limitation, the allocation of the consideration, shall be conclusive, final and binding upon the Affected Creditors and the Debtors.

Section 6.11 Initial Board of Directors of Reorganized Catalyst

On the Effective Date:

- a. the initial board of directors of reorganized Catalyst shall be composed of seven members;
- b. all existing members of the board shall be deemed to be removed;
- c. five members of the initial board, designated by the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders not less than ten days prior to the Effective Date, shall be deemed to be appointed as directors of reorganized Catalyst;
- d. one member of the initial board, designated by the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders not less than ten days prior to the Effective Date, shall be deemed to be appointed as a director of reorganized Catalyst; and

e. the Chief Executive Officer shall be deemed to be appointed as a director of reorganized Catalyst.

Section 6.12 Initial Management of Reorganized Catalyst

The senior management team upon and immediately following the consummation of the Plan shall be the same as the senior management team immediately prior to consummation of the Plan.

Section 6.13 Restructuring Expenses

In accordance with the Restructuring and Support Agreement, all reasonable and documented fees and expenses, incurred through and including the Effective Date, of the Initial Supporting First Lien Noteholders, the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, including all reasonable documented fees and expenses incurred by the legal and financial advisors of such parties, shall be paid in cash. Without limiting the foregoing, for the avoidance of doubt, the legal and financial advisors to be paid pursuant to this Section 6.13 include (a) Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, (b) Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP, (c) Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP, (d) Moelis & Co., (e) Kelley Drye & Warren LLP, (f) Chaitons LLP, (g) Goodmans LLP, (h) Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP, (i) Houlihan Lokey, and (j) one local counsel in any single jurisdiction for each of (i) the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders and (ii) the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee.

ARTICLE 7 EFFECT OF THE PLAN

Section 7.1 Binding Effect of the Plan

The Plan (including, without limitation, the releases and injunctions contained herein), upon being sanctioned and approved by the Court pursuant to the Sanction Order and the Sanction Order being recognized by the U.S. Court, shall be binding as of the Effective Date on all Persons irrespective of the jurisdiction in which the Persons reside or in which the Claims arose and shall constitute:

- a. a full, final and absolute settlement of all rights of the Affected Creditors and Existing Shareholders;
- b. cancellation of the Equity Interests; and
- c. an absolute release, satisfaction and discharge of all indebtedness, liabilities and obligations of the Debtors of or in respect of the Affected Claims and Equity Interests.

Section 7.2 Consents, Waivers and Agreements

From and after the Effective Date, each Affected Creditor and other Persons shall be deemed to have consented and to have agreed to all of the provisions of the Plan in its entirety. In particular, each Affected Creditor and other Persons shall be deemed:

- a. to have executed and delivered to the Monitor and the Debtors all consents, releases, assignments and waivers, statutory or otherwise, required to implement and carry out the Plan in its entirety; and
- b. to have waived any and all defaults then existing or previously committed by the Debtors in any covenant, warranty, representation, term, provision, condition or obligations, expressed or implied, in any contract, agreement, mortgage, security agreement, indenture, trust indenture, loan agreement, commitment letter, agreement for sale, lease or other agreement, written or oral and any and all amendments or supplements thereto, existing between any such Affected Creditor or other Person and the Debtors and any and all notices of default and demands for payment under any instrument, including without limitation any guaranty, shall be deemed to have been rescinded.

Section 7.3 Release of Released Parties

As of the Effective Date, to the extent permitted by law, each of the Released Parties shall be released and discharged from any and all demands, claims, liabilities, obligations, causes of action, damages, executions or other recoveries, known or unknown, based in whole or in part on any act or omission, transaction, dealing or other occurrence existing or taking place on or prior to the Effective Date relating to, arising out of, or in connection with the Securities, the First Lien Notes Indentures, the Unsecured Notes Indenture, the Restructuring and Support Agreement, the Plan, the Prior CBCA Proceedings, the CCAA Proceedings, the Chapter 15 Proceedings, and any proceedings commenced with respect to or in connection with the Plan; provided, however, that nothing in this paragraph shall release or discharge any of the Released Parties from or in respect of its obligations under the Plan or the Restructuring and Support Agreement and to comply with and to make the distributions set out therein; provided, further, however, that such release and discharge shall not include any Unaffected Claims against the Debtors; provided, further, however, that nothing herein will release or discharge a Released Party if the Released Party is determined by a Final Order of a court of competent jurisdiction to have committed wilful misconduct or fraud.

Section 7.4 Exculpation

To the extent permitted under applicable law, the Released Parties shall not have or incur any liability for any act or omission in connection with, related to, or arising out of the Prior CBCA Proceedings, the CCAA Proceedings or the Chapter 15 Proceedings, the formulation, preparation, dissemination, negotiation or filing of the Plan and related information circular or any contract, instrument, release or other agreement or document created or entered into in connection with the Plan or related information circular, the pursuit of sanctioning the Plan, the consummation, administration or implementation of the Plan, or the property to be distributed under the Plan, including the issuance of the securities thereunder or under any related agreement; provided, however, that this Section 7.4 shall not include any act or omission that is determined by Final Order of a court of competent jurisdiction to have constituted gross negligence, wilful misconduct or fraud.

Section 7.5 Injunction

All Persons, along with their respective affiliates, present and former officers, directors, employees, associated individuals, auditors, financial advisors, legal counsel, other professionals, sureties, insurers, indemnities, agents, dependents, heirs, representatives and assigns, as applicable, are permanently and forever barred, estopped, stayed and enjoined, on and after the Effective Date, with respect to claims against the Released Parties, from:

- a. commencing, conducting or continuing in any manner, directly or indirectly, any action, suits, demands or other proceedings of any nature or kind whatsoever (including, without limitation, any proceeding in a judicial, arbitral, administrative or other forum) against the Released Parties;
- b. enforcing, levying, attaching, collecting or otherwise recovering or enforcing by any manner or means, directly or indirectly, any judgment, award, decree or order against the Released Parties or their property;
- c. commencing, conducting or continuing in any manner, directly or indirectly, any action, suits or demands, including without limitation by way of contribution or indemnity or other relief, in common law, or in equity, breach of trust or breach of fiduciary duty or under the provisions of any statute or regulation, or other proceedings of any nature or kind whatsoever (including, without limitation, any proceeding in a judicial, arbitral, administrative or other forum) against any Person who makes such a claim or might reasonably be expected to make such a claim in any manner or forum, against one or more of the Released Parties;
- d. creating, perfecting, asserting or otherwise enforcing, directly or indirectly, any lien or encumbrance of any kind; or
- e. taking any actions to interfere with the implementation or consummation of the Plan or the transactions contemplated therein.

This Section 7.5 does not apply to any Unaffected Claims or to the enforcement of any obligations under the Plan.

Section 7.6 Responsibilities of the Monitor

The Monitor is acting in its capacity as Monitor in the CCAA Proceedings and the Monitor will not be responsible or liable for any obligations of the Debtors hereunder. The Monitor will have only those powers granted to it by this Plan, by the CCAA and by any Order of the Court in the CCAA Proceedings, including the Amended and Restated Initial Order.

ARTICLE 8 GENERAL

Section 8.1 Amendment

The Debtors shall be entitled, upon prior consultation with the Monitor, at any time and from time to time, to amend, restate, modify or supplement the Plan, provided that:

- a. if made prior to the Meetings, the Debtors (i) obtain the prior consent of the Monitor, (ii) file the amended Plan with the Court, (iii) serve the amended Plan on the parties listed on the service list to these CCAA Proceedings, (iv) provide reasonable notice of the amended Plan to Creditors that have filed proxies with the Monitor to the extent that such Creditors are not on the service list, and (v) request the Monitor to post the amended Plan on the Monitor's website at www.pwc.com/car-catalystpaper;
- b. if made during a Meeting, (i) the prior consent of the Monitor is obtained, (ii) the amendment would not be materially prejudicial to the interests of any of the Creditors under the Plan, and (iii) notice of the amendment is given to all Creditors eligible to vote and present at the Meetings prior to the vote being taken; in which case the amended Plan shall be promptly posted on the Monitor's website at www.pwc.com/car-catalystpaper and filed with the Court; and
- c. if made after the Meetings and, without further order of the Court or notice to any Creditor, the Debtors and the Monitor, acting reasonably and in good faith, determine the variation, amendment, modification or supplement in the amended Plan to be (i) of a technical or administrative nature that would not prejudice the interests of any of the Creditors under the Plan and (ii) necessary in order to give effect to the substance of the Plan or the Sanction Order;

provided, however, that the Plan may not be modified, amended or supplemented in any manner without the express written consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and, solely to the extent of any modification, amendment or supplement materially inconsistent with the Restructuring and Support Agreement, without the express written consent of the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders.

Section 8.2 Paramountcy

From and after the Effective Date, if there is any conflict between any provision(s) of the Plan or Sanction Order and any provision of any other contract, document, agreement or arrangement, written or oral, between any Creditor and any Debtor in existence on the Effective Date, the provision(s) of the Plan and Sanction Order shall govern.

Section 8.3 Termination

At any time prior to the Effective Date, the Debtors, with the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, may determine not to proceed with this Plan notwithstanding the obtaining of the Sanction Order. If the Conditions Precedent are not satisfied or waived as provided for in this Plan, if the Debtors determine not to proceed with this Plan, with the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, or if the Sanction Order is not issued by the Court: (a) this Plan shall be null and void in all respects, (b) any settlement or compromise embodied in this Plan, and any document or agreement executed pursuant to this Plan shall be deemed null and void, and (c) nothing contained in this Plan, and no act taken in preparation of the consummation of this Plan, shall (i) constitute or be deemed to constitute a waiver or release of any Claims or any defences thereto by or against any of the Affected Creditors or any other Person, (ii) prejudice in any manner the rights of any of the Affected Creditors or any other Person in any further proceedings involving the Debtor, or (iii) constitute an admission of any sort by the Applicants, the Affected Creditors or any other Person.

Section 8.4 Severability

If, prior to the Effective Date, any term or provision of the Plan is held by the Court to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the Court, at the request of the Debtors and with the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, shall have the power to alter and interpret such term or provision to make it valid or enforceable to the maximum extent practicable, consistent with the original purpose of the term or provision held to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, and such term or provision shall then be applicable as altered or interpreted.

Notwithstanding any such holding, alteration, or interpretation, the remainder of the terms and provisions of the Plan shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired, or invalidated by such holding, alteration, or interpretation. The Sanction Order shall constitute a judicial determination and shall provide that each term and provision of the Plan, as it may have been altered or interpreted in accordance with the foregoing, is valid and enforceable

Section 8.5 Successors and Assigns

The rights, benefits and obligations of any Person named or referred to in the Plan shall be binding on, and shall inure to the benefit of, any heir, executor, trustee, administrator, or successor or assign of such Person.

Section 8.6 Further Assurances

Notwithstanding that the transactions and events set out in the Plan shall occur and be deemed to occur in the order set out herein without any other additional act or formality, each of the Persons affected hereby shall make, do and execute, or cause to be made, done and executed all such further acts, deeds, agreements, transfers, assurances, instruments or documents as may reasonably be required by Catalyst in order to better implement the Plan.

Section 8.7 Entire Agreement

Except as otherwise indicated, upon the Effective Date, the Plan supersedes all previous and contemporaneous negotiations, promises, covenants, agreements, understandings, and representations on such subjects, all of which have become merged and integrated into the Plan.

Section 8.8 Exhibits and Related Documents

All schedules, exhibits and documents filed in relation to the Plan are incorporated into and are a part of the Plan as if set forth in full in the Plan.

Section 8.9 Notices

Any notices or communication to be made or given hereunder shall be in writing and shall reflect this Plan and may, subject as hereinafter provided, be made or given by the Person making or giving it or by any agent of such Person authorized for that purpose by personal delivery, by prepaid mail or by e-mail addressed to the respective parties as follows:

(i) if to the Debtors:

Catalyst Paper Corporation
2nd Floor, 3600 Lysander Lane
Richmond, BC V7B IC3
Attention: David Adderley, General Counsel
E-mail address: david.adderley@catalystpaper.com

and

Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP
595 Burrard Street
P.O. Box 49314
Suite 2600, Three Bentall Centre
Vancouver BC V7X 1L3
Attention: William C. Kaplan Q.C. and Peter Rubin, Esq.
E-mail addresses: bill.kaplan@blakes.com and peter.rubin@blakes.com

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP 222 Bay Street, Suite 1750 P.O. Box 258 Toronto, Ontario M5K IJ5

Attention: Christopher W. Morgan, Esq.

E-mail address: Christopher.morgan@skadden.com

and

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP 300 South Grand Avenue Suite 3400 Los Angeles, CA 90071

Attention: Van C. Durrer II, Esq.

E-mail address: van.durrer@skadden.com

(ii) if to an Initial Supporting Noteholder or a transferee thereof, to the addresses set forth below such Noteholder's signature on the Restructuring and Support Agreement (or as directed by any transferee thereof), as the case may be:

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP Royal Trust Tower 77 King Street West Toronto, ON M5K 0A1 Attention: Ryan C. Jacobs, Esq., R.

Attention: Ryan C. Jacobs, Esq., R. Shayne Kukulowicz, Esq., and John R.

Sandrelli, Esq.

E-mail address: ryan.jacobs@fmc-law.com, shayne.kukulowicz@fmc-law.com,

john.sandrelli@fmc-law.com

and

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
One Bryant Park
New York, NY 10036
Attention: Michael S. Stamer, Esq., Stephen B. Kuhn, Esq., and Meredith A. Lahaie, Esq.
E-mail addresses: mstamer@akingump.com, skuhn@akingump.com, mlahaie@akingump.com

and

Goodmans LLP
Bay Adelaide Centre
333 Bay Street, Suite 3400
Toronto, ON M5H 2S7
Attention: Robert Chadwick, Esq., and Melaney Wagner, Esq.
E-mail address: rchadwick@goodmans.ca, mwagner@goodmans.ca

(iii) if to the Monitor:

PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. 250 Howe Street, Suite 700 Vancouver, BC V6C 3S7

Attention: Michael J. Vermette, Neil Bunker

E-mail address: michael.j.vermette@ca.pwc.com, neil.p.bunker@ca.pwc.com

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Fasken Martineau L.P. 2900-550 Burrard Street Vancouver, BC V6C 0A3 Attention: John Grieve, Esq., and Kibben Jackson, Esq. E-mail address: jgrieve@fasken.com; kjackson@fasken.com

Any notice given by delivery, mail, e-mail, or courier shall be effective when received.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, as of the 14th day of June, 2012.

Schedule "D"

No. S120712 Vancouver Registry

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE *COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE CANADA BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-44

AND

IN THE MATTER OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATIONS ACT, S.B.C. 2002, c. 57

AND

IN THE MATTER OF CATALYST PAPER CORPORATION AND THE PETITIONERS LISTED IN SCHEDULE "A" TO THE PETITION FILED ON JANUARY 31, 2012

PETITIONERS

MONITOR'S CERTIFICATE

(Plan Implementation)

All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Second Amended and Restated Plan of Compromise and Arrangement concerning, affecting and involving Catalyst Paper Corporation and the entities listed on Schedule "A" thereto (collectively with Catalyst Paper General Partnership, the "Petitioner Parties") dated June 14, 2012 (the "Plan"), as such Plan may be further amended, varied or supplemented by the Petitioner Parties from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER of the Honourable Justice Sewell of the British Columbia Supreme Court (the "Court") dated January 31, 2012, PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. was appointed the monitor (the "Monitor") of the Petitioner Parties.

PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH [●] OF THE ORDER of the Court made in these proceedings on the [●] day of [●], 2012 (the "Order"), the Monitor hereby certifies as follows:

- 1. The Monitor has received a written notice from counsel for the Petitioner Parties and counsel for the Initial Supporting Noteholders that the conditions set out in section 5.1 of the Plan have been satisfied or waived in accordance with the Plan; and
- 2. The Monitor knows of no reason why the Plan could not be implemented forthwith.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this [•] of [•], 2012.

PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS INC. in its capacity as court-appointed Monitor of the Petitioners and not in its personal capacity

By:		
•	Name	
	Title	

Schedule "E"

No. S120712 Vancouver Registry

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

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AND

IN THE MATTER OF CATALYST PAPER CORPORATION AND THE PETITIONERS LISTED IN SCHEDULE "A" TO THE PETITION FILED ON JANUARY 31, 2012

PETITIONERS

MONITOR'S CERTIFICATE

(Plan Termination)

All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Second Amended and Restated Plan of Compromise and Arrangement concerning, affecting and involving Catalyst Paper Corporation and the entities listed on Schedule "A" thereto (collectively, with Catalyst Paper General Partnership the "Petitioner Parties") dated June 14, 2012 (the "Plan"), as such Plan may be further amended, varied or supplemented by the Petitioner Parties from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

PURSUANT TO AN ORDER of the Honourable Justice Sewell of the British Columbia Supreme Court (the "Court") dated January 31, 2012, PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. was appointed the monitor (the "Monitor") of the Petitioner Parties.

PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH [●] OF THE ORDER of the Court made in these proceedings on the [●] day of [●], 2012 (the "Order"), the Monitor hereby certifies as follows:

1. All of the Monitor's duties in respect of the Petitioner Parties pursuant to the CCAA, the Plan and all applicable Orders of this Court have been completed.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this [•] of [•], 2012.

PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS INC. in its capacity as court-appointed Monitor of the Petitioners and not in its personal capacity

Name	,	
Title		

EXHIBIT B

Second Amended Plan





IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED

AND

IN THE MATTER OF CATALYST PAPER CORPORATION AND THE PETITIONERS LISTED IN SCHEDULE "A"

PETITIONERS

SECOND AMENDED AND RESTATED PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT

PURSUANT TO THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT (CANADA)

concerning, affecting and involving

CATALYST PAPER CORPORATION AND THE PETITIONERS LISTED IN SCHEDULE "A"

Amended as at June 14, 2012

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PLAN OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT

PURSUANT TO THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT (CANADA)

ARTICLE 1 INTERPRETATION

Section 1.1 Definitions

In the Plan (including the Schedules hereto), unless otherwise stated or unless the context otherwise requires:

- "ABL Facility" means the revolving asset based loan facility issued pursuant to an amended and restated credit agreement dated as of May 31, 2011, by JP Morgan Securities LLC and CIBC Asset-Based Lending, Inc.;
- "ABL Facility Claims" means all outstanding obligations owed to lenders under the ABL Facility;
- "Administration Charge" means the charge granted pursuant to paragraph 39 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, as more particularly set out therein, in favour of the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, counsel to the Debtors, and counsel to the Directors;
- "Affected Claim" means any Claim that is not an Unaffected Claim;
- "Affected Creditor" means any Creditor having an Affected Claim in respect of and to the extent of such Affected Claim;
- "Allowed" means, with respect to a Claim against any Debtor, (i) any Claim in respect of which a Proof of Claim has or is deemed to have been timely filed in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order and in respect of which no objection has been interposed within the applicable period fixed by the Claims Procedure Order, or (ii) any Claim that is Allowed pursuant to the Plan, Claims Procedure Order, or a Final Order of the Court;
- "Amended and Restated Initial Order" means the Order of the Court dated January 31, 2012, as amended and restated on February 3, 2012, and as subsequently amended by further Order of the Court, and as may be further amended, supplemented or varied by the Court;
- "Business Day" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or a day on which banks in Vancouver, British Columbia, Toronto, Ontario, or New York, New York are authorized or obligated by applicable law to close or otherwise are generally closed;
- "Cash Election" means an election made by a General Unsecured Creditor, who is not (i) an Extended Health Benefits Creditor, or (ii) otherwise deemed to be a Convenience Creditor in accordance with the terms of the Meetings Order, in full and final satisfaction of his, her or its Allowed Claim, to deem such Creditor's Claim equal to CAD \$10,000 for distribution purposes,

which election shall be deemed a vote in favour of the resolution to approve the Plan at the Unsecured Creditors Meeting in the full filed amount of such Creditor's Allowed Claim;

"Cash Election Creditor" means a General Unsecured Creditor who is not (i) an Extended Health Benefits Creditor, or (ii) otherwise deemed to be a Convenience Creditor who makes a valid Cash Election in accordance with the terms of the Meetings Order;

"Catalyst" means Catalyst Paper Corporation, a corporation incorporated under the CBCA;

"Catalyst Companies" means Catalyst and its Subsidiaries;

"CBCA" means the Canada Business Corporations Act, R. S. C. 1985, c. C-44, as amended;

"CCAA" means the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended;

"CCAA Charges" means, collectively, the Administration Charge, the DIP Lenders' Charge, the Critical Suppliers' Charge, the D&O Charge, the Financial Advisor Charge, the KERP Charge, the Stalking Horse Reimbursement Charge, and any other charge over the Debtors' assets created by other Order of the Court and included in "Charges" (as such term is defined in the Amended and Restated Initial Order and as such charges may be amended, modified or varied by further Order of the Court);

"CCAA Proceedings" means the CCAA proceedings commenced by the Debtors, being British Columbia Supreme Court Action No. S120712, on the Commencement Date pursuant to the Amended and Restated Initial Order:

"Chapter 15 Proceedings" means the proceedings commenced under chapter 15 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code on January 17, 2012, in the U.S. Court, Case No. 12-10221;

"Claim" means any Pre-Commencement Claim, Restructuring Claim or Directors/Officers Claim;

"Claims Bar Date" means 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Pacific Time) on April 18, 2012, or such other date as may be ordered by the Court;

"Claims Officer" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Claims Procedure Order;

"Claims Procedure Order" means the Order of the Court, dated March 22, 2012, as amended or varied by further Order, approving and directing the establishment of a procedure for filing Proofs of Claim and resolving Disputed Claims;

"Class" means a category of Creditors holding Affected Claims as described more fully in ARTICLE 3 hereof;

"Class A Noteholders" means all holders of Class A Notes;

"Class A Notes" means the 11% senior secured notes due December 15, 2016, in the principal amount of US\$280,434,000, issued by Catalyst pursuant to the Class A Notes Indenture;

- "Class A Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture dated as of March 10, 2010, among Catalyst, the guarantors party thereto, and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, as amended, modified or supplemented prior to the date hereof;
- "Class B Noteholders" means all holders of Class B Notes;
- "Class B Notes" means the Class B 11% senior secured notes due December 15, 2016, in the principal amount of US\$110,000,000, issued by Catalyst pursuant to the Class B Notes Indenture;
- "Class B Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture dated as of May 19, 2010, among Catalyst, the guarantors party thereto, and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, as amended, modified or supplemented prior to the date hereof;
- "Commencement Date" means January 31, 2012;
- "Conditions Precedent" means those conditions precedent to the effectiveness of the Plan set forth in Section 5.1 hereof;
- "Consenting Noteholders" means the Initial Supporting Noteholders and all other Noteholders that have signed a joinder to the Restructuring and Support Agreement;
- "Convenience Cash Amount" means, in respect of the Allowed Claims of General Unsecured Cash Creditors cash in an amount equal to 50% of such Creditor's Allowed Claim for distribution purposes, subject to the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool and the terms hereof;
- "Convenience Claim" means a General Unsecured Claim equal to or less than CAD \$10,000 that is not an Extended Health Benefits Claim;
- "Convenience Creditor" means a holder of a Convenience Claim;
- "Court" means the Supreme Court of British Columbia;
- "Creditor" means any Person having a Claim and includes, without limitation, the transferee or assignee of a transferred Claim that is recognized as a Creditor in accordance with paragraph 35 of the Claims Procedure Order, or a trustee, liquidator, receiver, manager, or other Person acting on behalf of such Person:
- "Critical Supplier Order" means that certain Order of the Court, dated February 6, 2012, as may be amended or varied by further Order;
- "Critical Suppliers" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph 25 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, as amended and restated in the Critical Supplier Order, and as may be further amended and restated by Order of the Court;
- "Critical Suppliers' Charge" shall have the meaning set forth in paragraph 25 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, as amended and restated in the Critical Supplier Order, and as may be further amended and restated by Order of the Court;

- "D&O Charge" means the charge in favour of the directors and officers of the Debtors granted pursuant to paragraph 29 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, paragraph 3 of the Court's Order dated February 14, 2012, and paragraph 1 of the Court's Order dated March 8, 2012, as more particularly set out therein;
- "Debtors" means Catalyst and the following subsidiaries of Catalyst: 0606890 B.C. Ltd., Catalyst Paper General Partnership, Catalyst Paper Energy Holdings Inc., Catalyst Pulp and Paper Sales Inc., Catalyst Pulp Operations Limited, Catalyst Pulp Sales Inc., Elk Falls Pulp and Paper Limited, Pacifica Poplars Ltd., Catalyst Paper Holdings Inc., Catalyst Paper Recycling Inc., Catalyst Paper (Snowflake) Inc., Catalyst Paper (USA) Inc., Pacifica Papers Sales Inc., Pacifica Papers USA Inc., Pacifica Poplars Inc. and The Apache Railway Company;
- "DIP Agent" means JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., in its capacity as administrative agent under the DIP Credit Agreement;
- "DIP Credit Agreement" means that certain agreement dated as of February 7, 2012, among the Debtors, the DIP Agent, and the DIP Lenders;
- "DIP Facility" means the credit facility approved by the Court pursuant to paragraph 41 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order;
- "DIP Facility Claims" means all outstanding obligations owed to the DIP Lenders under the DIP Credit Agreement;
- "DIP Lenders" means the DIP Agent as lender and the other lenders from time to time party to the DIP Credit Agreement;
- "DIP Lenders' Charge" means the charge in favour of the DIP Lenders granted pursuant to paragraph 45 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order, as more particularly set out therein;
- "Director" means any Person who is or was, or may be deemed to be or have been, whether by statute, operation of law or otherwise, a director of any one or more of the Debtors;
- "Directors/Officers Claim" means any right or claim of any Person against one or more of the Directors and/or Officers that relates to a Pre-Commencement Claim or a Restructuring Claim, howsoever arising, for which the Directors and/or Officers are by statute or otherwise by law liable to pay in their capacity as Directors and/or Officers or in any other capacity;
- "Disputed" means, with respect to an Affected Claim, the amount of an Affected Claim (including a contingent Affected Claim which may crystallize upon the occurrence of an event or events occurring after the Commencement Date) or such portion thereof which is not yet Allowed, which is disputed and which is subject to adjudication in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order;
- "DTC" means The Depository Trust Company, through its nominee company Cede & Co.;
- "Effective Date" means the Business Day, which date shall be acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and

in accordance with the Restructuring and Support Agreement, on which (i) the Conditions Precedent have been satisfied, fulfilled or waived in accordance with the terms hereof, as applicable, and (ii) the Monitor has completed and filed its certificate with the Court in accordance with Section 5.3 hereof;

"Effective Time" means 11:59 p.m. on the Effective Date;

"Electing Noteholder" means any Noteholder who would otherwise have become a "control person" under applicable Canadian securities laws immediately following the Effective Time solely as a result of the Plan who elects, by giving notice in form and manner described in Section 6.8 hereof, to receive the Exchange Warrants instead of Excess New Common Shares;

"Eligible Holder" means a holder of First Lien Notes or Unsecured Notes who is (a) a resident of Canada for the purposes of the Tax Act and any applicable income tax treaty, holding First Lien Notes or Unsecured Notes that meet the definition of "eligible property" for the purposes of the Tax Act, and who is not exempt from tax on income under the Tax Act, or (b) a non-resident of Canada for the purposes of the Tax Act and any applicable income tax treaty, holding First Lien Notes or Unsecured Notes that meet the definition of "eligible property" for the purposes of the Tax Act, and who would be subject to Canadian tax in respect of any gain realized on the disposition of First Lien Notes or Unsecured Notes under the Plan if no tax election described in Section 6.7 hereof were made in respect of such disposition, or (c) a partnership if one or more members of the partnership are described in (a) or (b);

"Equity Election" means an election by an Unsecured Creditor who is not a Cash Election Creditor made on or before the Equity Election Deadline to receive such Creditor's pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (a) Allowed or (b) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of 600,000 New Common Shares;

"Equity Election Creditors" means those Unsecured Creditors who have made a valid Equity Election;

"Equity Election Deadline" means 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Pacific time) on the date that is 21 days after the date of the Sanction Order;

"Equity Election Form" means the form by which an Unsecured Creditor who is not a Cash Election Creditor may make an Equity Election;

"Equity Election Package" means a package in form and substance acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and reasonably satisfactory to the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, containing (a) an Equity Election Form and (b) instructions for completion of such Equity Election Form;

"Equity Interests" means all common shares of Catalyst, including all options, warrants, rights or similar instruments derived from, relating to or convertible, exchangeable or exercisable for common shares, issued and outstanding as of the Effective Date immediately prior to the Effective Time;

- **"Excess New Common Shares"** means such New Common Shares that an Electing Noteholder would have received immediately following the Effective Time that would have resulted in such Electing Noteholder holding in excess of 20% of the total New Common Shares issued on the Effective Date pursuant to the Plan;
- "Exchange Warrants" means warrants exercisable commencing immediately after the Effective Time for no additional consideration, pursuant to an agreement between Catalyst and an Electing Noteholder, which agreement shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, entitling such Electing Noteholder to acquire New Common Shares in an amount equal to the Excess New Common Shares such Electing Noteholder would otherwise have been entitled to receive pursuant to the Plan had they not elected to receive such warrants;
- "Existing Shareholders" means all holders of Equity Interests;
- **"Exit Facility"** means, to the extent necessary, an exit financing facility acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders:
- **"Extended Health Benefits Claims"** means all Claims in connection with the following Pacific Blue Cross extended health benefits plans in respect of certain former non-union employees of the Debtors and their predecessors: E035490, E035492, E043743, E043799, E043800, E043863, E047225, E078160, E089486, E094272 and E094273;
- "Extended Health Benefits Creditors" means holders of Extended Health Benefits Claims;
- "Final Order" means an Order, ruling or judgment of the Court, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, which has not been reversed, modified or vacated, and is not subject to any stay or appeal, and for which any and all applicable appeal periods have expired;
- "Financial Advisor Charge" means the charge in favour of the Debtors' financial advisors, Perella Weinberg Partners L.P., granted pursuant to paragraph 12 of the Court's Order dated March 9, 2012, as more particularly set out therein;
- "First Lien Noteholders" means all holders of First Lien Notes, including where applicable beneficial holders of First Lien Notes;
- "First Lien Noteholders Meeting" means the meeting of the First Lien Noteholders to be held on the Meeting Date for the purpose of considering and voting on the Plan pursuant to the CCAA, and includes any adjournment, postponement or other rescheduling of such meeting in accordance with the Meetings Order;
- "First Lien Notes" means, collectively, the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes;
- "First Lien Notes Claims" means all Claims for amounts due in respect of the First Lien Notes, including without limitation outstanding principal and the First Lien Notes Unpaid Interest;
- "First Lien Notes Claims Class" means the Class comprising the First Lien Noteholders;

- "First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee" means, collectively, Wilmington Trust, National Association, as indenture trustee and Computershare Trust Company of Canada as collateral trustee;
- "First Lien Notes Indentures" means the Class A Notes Indenture and the Class B Notes Indenture;
- "First Lien Notes Unpaid Interest" means an amount equal to accrued and unpaid interest under the First Lien Notes as of the Effective Date, such interest calculated using the applicable interest rate under the First Lien Notes Indentures, which shall include, where applicable, interest calculated at the default rate thereunder;
- "General Unsecured Cash Creditors" means, collectively, (i) Convenience Creditors who have not made a valid Equity Election and (ii) Cash Election Creditors;
- "General Unsecured Claims" means all Claims against any Debtor, including Extended Health Benefits Claims and Convenience Claims, but not including Unsecured Notes Claims, that have not otherwise been satisfied through arrangements with the Debtors in accordance with the Amended and Restated Initial Order;
- "General Unsecured Creditors" means holders of General Unsecured Claims;
- "General Unsecured Proceeds Creditors" means General Unsecured Creditors who are not Convenience Creditors and have not made a valid Cash Election and, for avoidance of doubt, includes General Unsecured Proceeds Creditors who make a valid Equity Election;
- "Governmental Priority Claims" means all Claims that fall within section 37 of the CCAA;
- "Governmental Entity" means any government, regulatory authority, governmental department, agency, commission, bureau, official, minister, Crown corporation, court, board, tribunal or dispute settlement panel or other law, rule or regulation-making organization or entity: (a) having or purporting to have jurisdiction on behalf of any nation, province, territory or state or any other geographic or political subdivision of any of them; or (b) exercising, or entitled or purporting to exercise any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative, policy, regulatory or taxing authority or power;
- "Indenture Trustees" means the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee and the Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee:
- "Information" means information set forth or incorporated in Catalyst's public disclosure documents filed with applicable Canadian securities regulators and the Securities and Exchange Commission under applicable securities legislation prior to March 15, 2012, or otherwise disclosed by Catalyst in writing to each of the Initial Supporting Noteholders under the Restructuring and Support Agreement prior to March 15, 2012;
- "Initial Supporting First Lien Noteholders" means each First Lien Noteholder who has executed the Restructuring and Support Agreement as of March 11, 2012, in respect of its First Lien Notes:

- "Initial Supporting Noteholders" means the Initial Supporting First Lien Noteholders and the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;
- "Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders" means each Unsecured Noteholder who has executed the Restructuring and Support Agreement as of March 11, 2012, in respect of its Unsecured Notes;
- "Intercompany Claim" means any Claim of a Debtor against another Debtor or a non-Debtor Subsidiary against a Debtor;
- "KERP" means Catalyst's key employee retention plan as approved by Order of this Court made March 9, 2012, and as shall be further amended as a Condition Precedent to the implementation of the Plan as set forth in Subsection 5.1(p) hereof;
- "KERP Charge" means the charge in favour of the employee beneficiaries of the KERP granted pursuant to paragraph 6 of the Court's Order dated March 9, 2012, as more particularly set out therein;
- "Law" or "Laws" means all federal, state and provincial codes, conventions, laws, ordinances, policies, by-laws, statutes, rules, regulations, principles of law and equity, orders, rulings, ordinances, judgments, injunctions, determinations, awards, decrees or other requirements and the terms and conditions of any grant of approval, permission, authority or license of any Governmental Entity or self-regulatory authority (including the TSX), and the term "applicable" with respect to such laws means such laws as are applicable to the referenced party or its business, undertaking, property or securities and emanate from a person having jurisdiction over the party or parties or its or their business, undertaking, property or securities;
- "Lien" means any valid and enforceable mortgage, charge, pledge, assignment by way of security, lien, hypothec, security interest, deemed trust or other encumbrance granted or arising pursuant to a written agreement or statute or otherwise created by law;
- "Management Incentive Plan" means any new management incentive plan approved by the new board of directors of reorganized Catalyst after the Effective Date;
- "Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders" means a majority of the Noteholders who executed the Restructuring and Support Agreement as of March 11, 2012, where each such Noteholder will have one vote and a majority of votes will govern;
- "Material Adverse Effect" means an event, change or occurrence that, individually or together with any other event, change or occurrence, has a material adverse impact on the financial condition, business or results of operations of the Catalyst Companies (taken as a whole) and shall include, without limitation, the disposition by any of the Catalyst Companies of any material asset without the prior written consent of the Consenting Noteholders; provided, however, that a Material Adverse Effect shall not include and shall be deemed to exclude the impact of: (A) changes in Laws of general applicability or interpretations thereof by courts or governmental or regulatory authorities, (B) any change in the paper industry generally, which does not disproportionately adversely affect the Catalyst Companies, (C) actions and omissions of the Catalyst Companies taken with the prior written consent of the Majority Initial Supporting

Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, (D) the effects of compliance with the Restructuring and Support Agreement, including on the operating performance of the Catalyst Companies, (E) the negotiation, execution, delivery, performance, consummation, potential consummation or public announcement of the Restructuring and Support Agreement or the transactions contemplated by the Restructuring and Support Agreement, (F) changes in the market price or trading volume of the First Lien Notes, Unsecured Notes or Equity Interests (it being understood that any cause of any such change may be taken into consideration when determining whether a Material Adverse Effect has occurred); (G) any change in U.S. or Canadian interest rates or currency exchange rates unless such change has a disproportionate effect on the Catalyst Companies; (H) the CCAA Proceedings, the Chapter 15 Proceedings and related costs and expenses being incurred by Catalyst; (I) Catalyst entering into the DIP Credit Agreement; and (J) Catalyst's common shares being suspended from trading then delisted from the TSX effective March 8, 2012;

- "Maximum Convenience Claims Pool" means CAD \$2,500,000, funded by the Debtors, which is the aggregate amount of cash available to pay all Convenience Cash Amounts;
- "Meeting Date" means June 25, 2012;
- "Meetings" means, collectively, the Unsecured Creditors Meeting and the First Lien Noteholders Meeting;
- "Meetings Order" means the Order of the Court dated June 18, 2012, as amended or varied by further Order, setting the Meeting Date, approving the procedures for the Meetings, and authorizing the dissemination of the documents relating thereto;
- "Monitor" means PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc., in its capacity as Court-appointed Monitor pursuant to the Amended and Restated Initial Order;
- "New ABL Facility" means any new ABL facility entered into on the Effective Date, acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;
- "New ABL Facility Lender" means the lender(s) under the New ABL Facility;
- "New Common Shares" means the new common shares of reorganized Catalyst to be issued pursuant to Section 6.2 hereof;
- "New First Lien Notes" means the secured, first lien notes due November 1, 2017, to be issued on the Effective Date pursuant to the New First Lien Notes Indenture and Section 6.2 hereof, in the aggregate principal amount of \$250 million, with 11% interest due semi-annually in arrears in cash or 7.5% payable semi-annually in cash plus 5.5% payable semi-annually in kind;
- "New First Lien Notes Indenture" means the indenture, dated as of the Effective Date, among Catalyst, the guarantors party thereto, and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, pursuant to which the New First Lien Notes will be issued, as may be amended, modified or supplemented, which shall be in form and substance acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee;

"New First Lien Notes Security" means the guarantees and security to be provided under the New First Lien Notes Indenture;

"New Labour Contracts" means the new labour agreements ratified by members of the Pulp, Paper and Woodworkers Union of Canada ("PPWC") and the Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union of Canada ("CEP"), effective from May 1, 2012, through May 1, 2017;

"Noteholders" means, collectively, the First Lien Noteholders and the Unsecured Noteholders;

"Officer" means any Person who is or was, or may be deemed to be or have been, whether by statute, operation of law or otherwise, an officer of any one or more of the Debtors;

"Order" means any order of the Court, or another court of competent jurisdiction, in these proceedings;

"Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, joint venture, venture capital fund, association, trust, trustee, executor, administrator, legal personal representative, estate, group, body corporate (including a limited liability company and an unlimited liability company), corporation, unincorporated association or organization, governmental authority, syndicate or other entity, whether or not having legal status;

"PIK Notes" means the notes issued as interest payable in kind in relation to the New First Lien Notes;

"Plan" means this Plan of Compromise and Arrangement filed by the Debtors pursuant to the CCAA, including the Schedules hereto, as may be amended, varied or supplemented hereafter in accordance with the terms hereof or made at the direction of the Court in the Sanction Order with the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;

"Plan Securities" means the New Common Shares, the New First Lien Notes, and any Exchange Warrants, to be issued pursuant to Section 6.2 hereof and distributed pursuant to Section 6.6 hereof;

"Post-Filing Interest and Costs" means all interest other than the Unpaid Interest accrued or accruing on or after the Commencement Date on or in respect of an Affected Claim and all costs and expenses incurred on or after the Commencement Date pursuant to or in respect of an Affected Claim;

"Pre-Commencement Claim" means any right or claim of any Person that may be asserted or made in whole or in part against the Debtors (or any of them), whether or not asserted or made, in connection with any indebtedness, liability or obligation of any kind whatsoever, and any interest accrued thereon or costs payable in respect thereof, in existence on, or which is based on, an event, fact, act or omission which occurred in whole or in part prior to the Commencement Date, at law or in equity, by reason of the commission of a tort (intentional or unintentional), any breach of contract or other agreement (oral or written), any breach of duty (including, without limitation, any legal, statutory, equitable or fiduciary duty), any right of ownership of or title to property or assets or right to a trust or deemed trust (statutory, express, implied, resulting,

constructive or otherwise) or for any reason whatsoever against any of the Debtors or any their property or assets, and whether or not any indebtedness, liability or obligation is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, unsecured, present, future, known or unknown, by guarantee, surety or otherwise, and whether or not any right or claim is executory or anticipatory in nature including any right or ability of any Person to advance a claim for contribution or indemnity or otherwise with respect to any matter, action, cause or chose in action whether existing at present or commenced in the future, together with any other rights or claims not referred to above that are or would be claims provable in bankruptcy had the Debtors (or any one of them) become bankrupt on the Commencement Date, and for greater certainty, includes any Tax Claim and Extended Health Benefits Claims: provided, however, that "Pre-Commencement Claim" shall not include an Unaffected Claim or any contingent liabilities that may be crystallized in the future under any applicable environmental laws of British Columbia arising from the Debtors' operations and undertakings at Powell River, Port Alberni and Crofton, all situated in the Province of British Columbia;

"PREI" means, collectively, all of Catalyst's right, title and interest in Powell River Energy Inc. and the Powell River Energy Limited Partnership ("PRELP") including:

- a. 50,001 common shares in Powell River Energy Inc.;
- b. long term debt of \$20.8 million owing by Powell River Energy Inc. to Catalyst Paper Energy Holdings Inc. ("CPEHI"), maturing December 21, 2021 under subordinated promissory notes issued by Powell River Energy Inc. and any other indebtedness owing to CPEHI by Powell River Energy Inc. or PRELP; and
- c. a 49.95% limited partnership interest in PRELP under a limited partnership agreement between 3795669 Canada Limited, as general partner and Pacific Paper Inc. (predecessor to CPEHI) and Powell River Energy Trust, as limited partners;

but excluding, for greater certainty, Catalyst's interest in the power purchase agreement dated February 1, 2011, between Powell River Energy Inc. and Catalyst.

"PREI Proceeds Pool" means an aggregate amount equal to 50% of the net proceeds received by the Debtors on account of the sale of PREI, which shall be paid by reorganized Catalyst to the Monitor within three (3) Business Days following the closing of the sale of PREI, and which shall be distributed by the Monitor to Unsecured Creditors who are not (a) General Unsecured Cash Creditors or (b) Equity Election Creditors; provided, however, that no distributions shall be made from the PREI Proceeds Pool until all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order; provided, further, however, that the Monitor shall return to reorganized Catalyst any amounts remaining in the PREI Proceeds Pool after distribution, due to the exercise of valid Equity Elections by Equity Election Creditors;

"Prior CBCA Proceeding" means the Debtors' in and out of court restructuring efforts pursuant to the CBCA, including the formulation, preparation, dissemination, and negotiation of a plan of arrangement and the filing of a proceeding in this Court;

"Proof of Claim" means the form to be completed and filed by a Creditor, in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order, setting forth its proposed Claim(s);

"Record Date" means March 16, 2012;

"Registered Shareholder" means a holder of Equity Interests as shown on the securities register maintained by or on behalf of Catalyst;

"Released Parties" means, collectively, each in their respective capacities as such, (i) the Officers, employees, legal and financial advisors, and other representatives of the Debtors as of the Commencement Date; (ii) the Directors and their legal and financial advisors; (iii) the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee's legal advisors, and the First Lien Noteholders; (iv) the members of the Steering Group and any other Initial Supporting Noteholders and their legal and financial advisors; (v) the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders and their legal and financial advisors; (vi) the Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee and the Unsecured Noteholders; (vii) the Monitor and their legal advisors; and (viii) current and former holders of Equity Interests;

"Required Majority" means, with respect to each Voting Class, a majority in number of Affected Creditors who represent at least two-thirds in value of the Allowed Claims of Affected Creditors who actually vote or are deemed to have voted pursuant to the Meetings Order on the resolution approving the Plan (in person, by proxy or by ballot) at the Meetings, which tally may include, subject to an Order of the Court which may be sought after the Meeting Date, the Claims of other Unsecured Creditors that may be deemed by such Order to vote in favour of the resolution approving the Plan;

"Restructuring and Support Agreement" means the Restructuring and Support Agreement, dated March 11, 2012, among Catalyst, certain of its Subsidiaries, and the Consenting Noteholders, as subsequently amended pursuant to its terms;

"Restructuring Claim" means any right or claim of any Person against the Debtors (or any one of them) in connection with any indebtedness, liability or obligation of any kind whatsoever owed by the Debtors (or any one of them) to such Person arising out of the restructuring, disclaimer, resiliation, termination, or breach on or after the Commencement Date of any contract, employment agreement, lease or other agreement or arrangement, whether written or oral, and whether such restructuring, disclaimer, resiliation, termination or breach took place or takes place before or after the date of the Claims Procedure Order, and includes for greater certainty any right or claim of an employee of any of the Debtors arising from a termination of its employment after the Commencement Date; provided, however, that "Restructuring Claim" shall not include an Unaffected Claim:

"Restructuring Expenses" means the expenses provided for in Section 6.13 hereof;

"Sanction Order" means an Order by the Court under the CCAA to, among other things, sanction, authorize and approve the Plan, in a form and substance satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;

"Securities" means the First Lien Notes, the Unsecured Notes, and the Equity Interests;

"SISP" means the sale and investor solicitation process approved by the SISP Order, as may be amended or varied by further Order;

"SISP Order" means the Order of the Court dated March 22, 2012, approving the SISP and the Stalking Horse Reimbursement Charge, as may be amended or varied by further Order in accordance with Section 6.5 hereof or otherwise;

"Stalking Horse Reimbursement Charge" means the charge granted pursuant to paragraph 7 of the SISP Order, as more particularly set out therein, in favour of the Stalking Horse Bidder (as such term is defined in the SISP Order);

"Steering Group" means the steering group of the First Lien Noteholders;

"Subsidiaries" means corporations or other Persons in which Catalyst has a direct or indirect controlling equity interest, including any subsidiary body corporate as defined in the CBCA;

"Tax" or "Taxes" means any and all amounts subject to a withholding or remitting obligation and any and all taxes, duties, fees, and other governmental charges, duties, impositions and liabilities of any kind whatsoever whether or not assessed by the Taxing Authorities (including any Claims by any of the Taxing Authorities), including all interest, penalties, fines, fees, other charges and additions with respect to such amount;

"Tax Act" means the *Income Tax Act* (Canada), as amended;

"Tax Claim" means any Claim against the Debtors (or any of them) for any Taxes in respect of any taxation year or period ending on or prior to the Commencement Date, and in any case where a taxation year or period commences on or prior to the Commencement Date, for any Taxes in respect of or attributable to the portion of the taxation period commencing prior to the Commencement Date and up to and including the Commencement Date. For greater certainty, a Tax Claim shall include, without limitation, any and all Claims of any Taxing Authority in respect of transfer pricing adjustments and any Canadian or non-resident Tax related thereto;

"Taxing Authorities" means Her Majesty the Queen, Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, Her Majesty the Queen in right of any province or territory of Canada, the Canada Revenue Agency, any similar revenue or taxing authority of each and every province or territory of Canada and any political subdivision thereof, and any Canadian or foreign governmental authority, and "Taxing Authority" means any one of the Taxing Authorities;

"TSX" means the Toronto Stock Exchange;

"Unaffected Claim" means, subject to further Order of the Court:

- a. any right or claim of any Person that may be asserted or made in whole or in part against the Debtors (or any of them) in connection with any indebtedness, liability or obligation of any kind which arose in respect of obligations first incurred on or after the Commencement Date (other than Restructuring Claims and Directors/Officers Claims) and any interest thereon, including any obligation of the Debtors toward creditors who have supplied or shall supply services, utilities, goods or materials or who have or shall have advanced funds to the Debtors on or after the Commencement Date, but only to the extent of their claims in respect of the supply of such services, utilities, goods, materials or funds on or after the Commencement Date;
- b. any Claim secured by any CCAA Charge;
- c. that portion of a Claim arising from a cause of action for which the Debtors are covered by insurance, but only to the extent of such coverage;
- d. any ABL Facility Claim;
- e. any DIP Facility Claim;
- f. any Intercompany Claim;
- g. any Claim referred to in sections 6(3), 6(5) and 6(6) of the CCAA;
- h. any Governmental Priority Claim;
- i. any claims with respect to reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel of any Debtor, the Monitor, a Claims Officer, any Assistant (as defined in paragraph 5 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order), or any financial advisor retained by any of the foregoing, as approved by the Court to the extent required;
- j. any Claim of any employee of the Debtors (or any of them) employed by the Debtors (or any of them) as of the Commencement Date, but only in respect of a Claim for wages, including vacation pay and banked time;
- k. any Claim secured by a Lien other than the First Lien Notes Claims; and
- 1. any Claim existing on the Commencement Date that has been satisfied, cured or rectified on or before the date of the Sanction Order;
- "Unpaid Interest" means, collectively, the First Lien Notes Unpaid Interest and the Unsecured Notes Unpaid Interest;
- "Unsecured Claims" means the Unsecured Notes Claims and the General Unsecured Claims, including Convenience Claims;

- "Unsecured Claims Class" means the Class comprising the Unsecured Claims;
- "Unsecured Creditors" means the Unsecured Noteholders and the General Unsecured Creditors;
- "Unsecured Creditors Meeting" means the meeting of the Unsecured Creditors to be held on the Meeting Date for the purpose of considering and voting on the Plan pursuant to the CCAA, and includes any adjournment, postponement or other rescheduling of such meeting;
- "Unsecured Noteholders" means all holders of Unsecured Notes, including where applicable beneficial holders of Unsecured Notes:
- "Unsecured Notes" means the 73/8 % senior notes due March 1, 2014, in the principal amount of \$250,000,000 issued by Catalyst pursuant to the Unsecured Notes Indenture;
- "Unsecured Notes Claims" means all Claims for amounts due in respect of the Unsecured Notes, including without limitation outstanding principal and the Unsecured Notes Unpaid Interest;
- "Unsecured Notes Indenture" means that certain indenture, dated as of March 23, 2004, among Catalyst, the guarantors party thereto and the Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee, as amended, modified or supplemented prior to the date hereof;
- "Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee" means Wells Fargo Bank, National Association;
- "Unsecured Notes Unpaid Interest" means an amount equal to the accrued and unpaid interest under the Unsecured Notes as of the Effective Date, such interest calculated using the applicable contract rate under the Unsecured Notes Indenture;
- "U.S. Bankruptcy Code" means title 11 of the United States Code, as amended;
- "U.S. Court" means the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware;
- "U.S. Distribution Agent" means Catalyst Paper Holdings Inc., as designated by the Debtors to receive delivery of the New Common Shares intended for distribution to those General Unsecured Creditors located in the United States who have made a valid Equity Election and to distribute the New Common Shares to such eligible General Unsecured Creditors; and
- "Voting Classes" means the Unsecured Claims Class and the First Lien Notes Claims Class.

Section 1.2 Accounting Terms.

All accounting terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles including those prescribed by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants.

Section 1.3 Articles of Reference

The terms "hereof", "hereunder", "herein" and similar expressions refer to the Plan and not to any particular article, section, subsection, clause or paragraph of the Plan and include any agreements supplemental hereto. In the Plan, a reference to an article, section, subsection, clause or paragraph shall, unless otherwise stated, refer to an article, section, subsection, clause or paragraph of the Plan.

Section 1.4 Interpretation Not Affected by Headings

The division of the Plan into articles, sections, subsections, clauses and paragraphs and the insertion of a table of contents and headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of the Plan.

Section 1.5 Date for Any Action

In the event that any date on which any action is required to be taken hereunder is not a Business Day, such action shall be required to be taken on the next succeeding day which is a Business Day.

Section 1.6 Time

All times expressed herein are local time in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada unless otherwise stipulated.

Section 1.7 Definitions in the CCAA

A word or words with initial capitalized letters used herein and not defined herein but defined in the CCAA shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the CCAA as of the date hereof unless the context otherwise requires.

Section 1.8 Number, Etc.

In the Plan, where the context requires, a word importing the singular number shall include the plural and vice versa; a word or words importing gender shall include all genders and the words "including" and "includes" mean "including (or includes) without limitation".

Section 1.9 Currency

Unless otherwise specified, all references to monetary amounts are to lawful currency of the United States of America. All Affected Claims denominated in a currency other than U.S. Dollars shall, for the purposes of the Plan, be converted to and shall constitute obligations in U.S. dollars, such calculation to be effected using the Bank of Canada noon spot rate on the Commencement Date (exchange rate conversion on such date was: USD \$1.00 = CAD \$1.0052).

Section 1.10 Statutory References

Except as provided herein, any reference in the Plan to a statute includes all regulations and rules made thereunder, all amendments to such statute, regulation or rules in force from time to time, and any statute, regulation or rule that supplements or supersedes such statute or regulation.

Section 1.11 Governing Law

The Plan shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the Laws of the Province of British Columbia and the federal Laws of Canada applicable thereto. All questions as to the interpretation or application of the Plan and all proceedings taken in connection with the Plan shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court.

ARTICLE 2 PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF PLAN

Section 2.1 Purpose

The purpose of the Plan is to effect a compromise of Affected Claims to enable the Debtors' businesses to continue, and to maximize the recovery of the Debtors' Creditors. Ensuring the continuance of the Debtors' businesses will significantly benefit all stakeholders, including the Debtors' many current and former employees, trade suppliers, customers, and the communities in which the Debtors operate. The successful implementation of this Plan will provide greater benefits to all Persons with an economic interest in the Debtors than would result from the bankruptcy of the Debtors, which benefits will have far-reaching positive effects on the economy as a whole.

Section 2.2 Agreement

The Plan is made pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Restructuring and Support Agreement.

Section 2.3 Affected Creditors

On the Effective Date, the Plan will be binding on each Debtor and all Affected Creditors to the extent of their Affected Claims. For greater certainty, other than the Extended Health Benefits Claims (which will be compromised under the Plan), the terms "Claim" and "Affected Claim" do not include any obligation of the Debtors to any current employee, former employee, retired employee, pension plan member or beneficiary, or a pension plan administrator, in respect of any registered pension plan, non-registered pension plan, health benefit or any other employment-related or post-retirement entitlement or benefit in effect at the Commencement Date including, without limitation, any pension "bridging" benefits and "top-up" benefits and such obligations shall not be affected by the Plan.

Section 2.4 Existing Shareholders

On the Effective Date, the Plan will be binding on Catalyst and all Existing Shareholders. Existing Shareholders shall not receive a distribution under the Plan or otherwise recover anything in respect of their Equity Interests. All existing Equity Interests shall be cancelled and extinguished on the Effective Date.

Section 2.5 Unaffected Persons

Holders of Unaffected Claims will not be affected, to the extent of their Unaffected Claims, by the compromises set out in the Plan.

ARTICLE 3 CLASSIFICATION AND TREATMENT OF AFFECTED CLAIMS

Section 3.1 Classification of Affected Claims

All Affected Claims are classified into two Voting Classes—the First Lien Notes Claims Class and the Unsecured Claims Class.

The First Lien Notes Claims Class consists of the First Lien Notes Claims. The Unsecured Claims Class consists of both the Unsecured Notes Claims and the General Unsecured Claims.

Section 3.2 Treatment of Affected Claims

An Affected Claim shall receive distributions as set forth below only to the extent that such Claim is an Allowed Claim and has not been paid, released, or otherwise satisfied prior to the Effective Date.

First Lien Notes Claims Class

- a. The First Lien Notes Claims shall be an Allowed Claim, and for the purposes of distribution shall be in the aggregate principal amount of \$384,534,000, comprised of (i) \$280,434,000 on account of the Class A Notes and (ii) \$104,100,000 on account of the Class B Notes, <u>plus</u> the First Lien Notes Unpaid Interest.
- b. On the Effective Date, the First Lien Notes shall be cancelled, and in full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all Allowed First Lien Notes Claims,
 - i. each Class A Noteholder as of the Effective Date shall be entitled to receive its pro rata share of:
 - 1) the New First Lien Notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$182,000,000, and

- 2) 10,502,352 New Common Shares (which shall equal 72.933% of the New Common Shares, subject to dilution only from the issuance of New Common Shares in connection with the exercise by Unsecured Creditors of valid Equity Elections and any Management Incentive Plan); and
- ii. each Class B Noteholder as of the Effective Date shall be entitled to receive its pro rata share of:
 - 1) the New First Lien Notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$68,000,000, and
 - 2) 3,897,648 New Common Shares (which shall equal 27.067% of the New Common Shares, subject to dilution only from the issuance of New Common Shares in connection with the exercise by Unsecured Creditors of valid Equity Elections and any Management Incentive Plan).

Unsecured Claims Class

Unsecured Notes Claims

- a. The Unsecured Notes Claims shall be an Allowed Claim, and for the purposes of distribution shall be in the aggregate principal amount of \$250,000,000 plus the Unsecured Notes Unpaid Interest.
- b. On the Effective Date, the Unsecured Notes shall be cancelled and, in full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all Allowed Unsecured Notes Claims, each Unsecured Noteholder as of the Effective Date shall be entitled to receive its pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of the PREI Proceeds Pool; provided, however, that each Equity Election Creditor, if any, shall, on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, in full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all such holder's Allowed Unsecured Notes Claims, receive its pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of 600,000 New Common Shares.

General Unsecured Claims

a. In full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all Allowed General Unsecured Claims, each holder of an Allowed General Unsecured Claim shall be entitled to receive:

- i. if such holder is a General Unsecured Proceeds Creditor who is not an Equity Election Creditor, its pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (1) Allowed or (2) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of the PREI Proceeds Pool;
- ii. if such holder is an Equity Election Creditor, its pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (1) Allowed or (2) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of 600,000 New Common Shares; or
- iii. if such holder is a General Unsecured Cash Creditor:
 - 1) such holder's Convenience Cash Amount, to an aggregate limit of the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool, or, if applicable,
 - 2) to the extent that the aggregate of all Convenience Cash Amounts would exceed the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool:
 - a. in respect of two (2) times the amount of cash to be received, such holder's pro rata share of the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool, and
 - b. in respect of the balance of such holder's Allowed Claim, such holder's pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Allowed Unsecured Claims after all Disputed Claims have been (x) Allowed or (y) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order) of the PREI Proceeds Pool.
- b. The Extended Health Benefits Claims shall be an Allowed Claim.

Section 3.3 Voting by Affected Creditors

First Lien Noteholders shall be entitled to attend and vote at the First Lien Noteholders Meeting. Unsecured Creditors, including Unsecured Noteholders and General Unsecured Creditors (including Convenience Creditors) shall be entitled to attend and vote at the Unsecured Creditors Meeting; *provided, however*, that, in accordance with the Meetings Order, Creditors who have made a valid Cash Election shall be deemed to vote in favour of the Plan and shall not be entitled to vote at the Unsecured Creditors Meeting. For greater certainty, only those Noteholders who have beneficial ownership of a Claim as of the Record Date shall be entitled to vote at the Meetings pursuant to and in accordance with the Meetings Order. Also for greater certainty, (a) any Convenience Share Election (as such term is defined in the Plan of

Compromise and Arrangement of Catalyst dated March 15, 2012) made by a Convenience Creditor prior to the date hereof in accordance with the Meetings Order shall be of no further force and effect and such Convenience Creditor shall be entitled (i) to the distribution provided hereunder applicable to a Convenience Creditor and (ii) to make an Equity Election in accordance with the terms hereof, and (b) any Cash Election made by a General Unsecured Creditor prior to the date hereof in accordance with the Meetings Order shall be in full force and effect, provided, however, that each Cash Election Creditor shall be entitled (i) to revoke such Cash Election and receive the distribution provided to General Unsecured Proceeds Creditors and/or (ii) to make an Equity Election, each in accordance with the terms hereof.

Affected Creditors with Disputed Claims shall be entitled to attend the Meetings and cast a vote in respect of the Plan. The Monitor shall keep a separate record and tabulation of any votes cast in respect of Disputed Claims. The Monitor shall report the result of the vote and the tabulation of votes of Allowed Claims and Disputed Claims to the Court and, if the decision by Affected Creditors whether to approve or reject the Plan is affected by the votes cast in respect of the Disputed Claims, Catalyst shall seek direction from the Court in respect thereof. The fact that a Disputed Claim is allowed for voting purposes shall not preclude Catalyst or the Monitor from disputing the Disputed Claim for distribution purposes.

Section 3.4 Approval by Affected Creditors

In order to be approved by the Affected Creditors, the Plan must receive an affirmative vote, in accordance with the provisions of the Meetings Order, by the Required Majority in each Voting Class.

Section 3.5 Unaffected Claims

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, no Creditor shall be entitled to vote or receive any distributions under the Plan in respect of an Unaffected Claim. Nothing in the Plan shall affect the Debtors' rights and defences with respect to any Unaffected Claim.

Section 3.6 Disputed Claims

Affected Creditors with Disputed Claims on the Effective Date shall not be entitled to receive any distribution hereunder with respect to such Disputed Claims until and to the extent that such Claim becomes an Allowed Claim. A Disputed Claim shall be referred for resolution in the manner set out in the Claims Procedure Order. Subject to Section 6.6(4), no distributions shall be paid to Unsecured Creditors until all Disputed Claims are finally (a) Allowed or (b) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order.

Section 3.7 Extinguishment of Claims

As of and from the Effective Time and in accordance with the provisions of the Sanction Order, the treatment of Affected Claims under the Plan (including Allowed Claims and Disputed Claims) shall be final and binding on the Debtors and all Affected Creditors (and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal personal representatives, successors and assigns) and all Affected Claims shall be released and discharged as against the Debtors and the Debtors shall thereupon be released from all Affected Claims, including without limitation contracts and plans

related to the Extended Health Benefits Claims, other than the obligations of the Debtors to make payments in the manner and to the extent provided for in the Plan; provided, however, that such discharge and release shall be without prejudice to the right of a holder of a Disputed Claim to prove such Disputed Claim so that such Disputed Claim becomes an Allowed Claim entitled to receive consideration under Section 6.6 hereof; provided, further, however, that the Allowed Claims shall be released and discharged as follows: (a) at the Effective Time for (i) the Unsecured Claims, and (ii) the First Lien Note Claims on a pro-rata basis to the extent that the amount of the First Lien Note Claims exceeds the aggregate of the fair market value of the New Common Shares to be issued and the aggregate principal amount of the New First Lien Notes; and (b) at 12:01 a.m. on the Business Day next following the Effective Time (i) the First Lien Note Claims, on a pro-rata basis to the extent of the aggregate principal amount of the New First Lien Notes, and (ii) the First Lien Note Claims remaining outstanding after the release and discharge in clause (b)(i) shall be settled on a pro-rata basis by the issuance of the New Common Shares in accordance with Section 6.1 and Section 6.2 hereof.

Section 3.8 Governmental Priority Claims

Within six months after the date of the Sanction Order, each Debtor incorporated in Canada shall pay in full to any applicable Governmental Entities all amounts that were outstanding at the Commencement Date and are of a kind that could be subject to a demand under:

- a. subsection 224(1.2) of the Tax Act;
- b. any provision of the Canada Pension Plan or of the Employment Insurance Act that refers to subsection 224(1.2) of the Tax Act and provides for the collection of a contribution, as defined in the Canada Pension Plan, or an employee's premium, or employer's premium, as defined in the Employment Insurance Act, or a premium under Part VII.1 of that Act, and of any related interest, penalties or other amounts; or
- c. any provision of provincial legislation that has a similar purpose to subsection 224(1.2) of the Tax Act, or that refers to that subsection, to the extent that it provides for the collection of a sum, and of any related interest, penalties or other amounts, where the sum:
 - i. has been withheld or deducted by a person from a payment to another person and is in respect of a tax similar in nature to the income tax imposed on individuals under the Tax Act; or
 - ii. is of the same nature as a contribution under the *Canada Pension Plan* if the province is a "province providing a comprehensive pension plan" as defined in subsection 3(1) of the *Canada Pension Plan* and the provincial legislation establishes a "provincial pension plan" as defined in that subsection.

ARTICLE 4 SANCTION ORDER

Section 4.1 Application for Sanction Order

As soon as reasonably practicable following the approval of the Plan by the Required Majorities, the Debtors shall bring a motion seeking the Sanction Order for prompt hearing by the Court and in accordance with the timeline set forth in the Restructuring and Support Agreement.

Section 4.2 Effect of the Sanction Order

In addition to approving and sanctioning the Plan, and subject to the discretion of the Court, the Sanction Order shall, among other things and without limitation:

a. declare that:

- i. the Plan has been approved by the Required Majorities of Affected Creditors in conformity with the CCAA;
- ii. the Debtors have complied with the provisions of the CCAA and the Orders made in the CCAA Proceedings in all respects;
- iii. the Court is satisfied that the Debtors have not done nor purported to do anything that is not authorized by the CCAA; and
- iv. the Plan and transactions contemplated thereby are procedurally and substantively fair and reasonable to Affected Creditors;
- b. direct and authorize the Debtors and the Monitor to fulfill their obligations under the Plan, including to complete the transactions and distributions contemplated under the Plan;
- c. confirm the effect of the Claims Procedure Order, including, without limitation, the effect of the Claims Bar Date, and the releases, waivers, injunctions and prohibitions provided thereunder;
- d. confirm the effect of the Meetings Order;
- e. effective on the Effective Date, declare that the compromises, waivers, releases and injunctions effected by the Plan are approved, binding, and effective as herein set out on all Affected Creditors, Existing Shareholders, and all other Persons affected by the Plan;
- f. continue the stay of proceedings contained in the Amended and Restated Initial Order until the CCAA Proceedings are terminated by Order of the Court;

- g. confirm that the CCAA Charges as provided in the Amended and Restated Initial Order shall continue in effect until such time as the CCAA Proceedings are terminated and all obligations secured thereby are paid in full or as may be otherwise secured, satisfied or arranged;
- h. effective on the Effective Date, except as otherwise provided in the Plan, declare that all notes, shares, instruments, certificates, indentures, guarantees, and other documents or agreements evidencing the First Lien Notes Claims, the Unsecured Notes Claims, and Equity Interests, including, without limitation, the First Lien Notes, the Unsecured Notes, the First Lien Notes Indentures, and the Unsecured Notes Indenture, are deemed cancelled and are of no further force or effect, whether surrendered for cancellation or otherwise, and the obligations of the Debtors thereunder or in any way related thereto are satisfied and discharged, except to the extent expressly set forth in Section 6.07 of the Unsecured Notes Indenture and Section 6.06 of the First Lien Notes Indenture;
- i. declare that the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee shall be authorized to execute releases of the property and other assets included in the Collateral (as such term is defined in the First Lien Notes Indenture) from the Liens created by the Collateral Documents (as such term is defined in the First Lien Notes Indenture), in the forms prepared by the Debtors, at the written request of the Debtors (without the delivery of an officer's certificate or opinion), subject to paragraph (h) above;
- i. effective as of the Effective Date, release all Post-Filing Interest and Costs;
- k. declare that the appointment of the Claims Officer shall cease as of the Effective Time except with respect to matters to be completed pursuant to the Plan after the Effective Time (including the resolution of any Disputed Claims pursuant to the Claims Procedure Order);
- I. declare that, as of and from the Effective Time and except to the extent expressly contemplated by the Plan, all obligations or agreements to which any Debtor is a party (including all equipment leases and real property leases) shall be and remain in full force and effect, unamended as of the Effective Date, unless terminated, disclaimed or repudiated by a Debtor in the CCAA Proceedings, and no Person who is a party to any such obligation or agreement shall, on or after the Effective Date, accelerate, terminate, rescind, refuse to renew, refuse to perform or otherwise repudiate its obligations thereunder, or enforce or exercise, or purport to enforce or exercise, any right (including any right of set off, combination of accounts, dilution, buy out, divestiture, forced purchase or sale option or other remedy) or make any demand under or in respect of any such obligation or agreement, by reason of:
 - i. any event or events which occurred on or before the Effective Date and is not continuing after the Effective Date or which is or

continues to be suspended or waived under the Plan, which would have entitled any party thereto to enforce such rights or remedies (including defaults or events of default arising as a result of the insolvency of any Debtor);

- ii. any Debtor having sought or obtained relief under the CCAA; or
- iii. any compromises, arrangements, reorganizations or transactions effected pursuant to the Plan; and
- m. effective on the Effective Date, permanently enjoin the commencement or prosecution, whether directly, derivatively or otherwise, of any demands, claims, actions, counterclaims, suits, judgements, or other remedy or recovery with respect to any indebtedness, liability, obligation or cause of action released, discharged or terminated pursuant to the Plan.

ARTICLE 5 CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Section 5.1 Conditions of Plan Implementation

The implementation of the Plan is conditional on the satisfaction or waiver (subject to Section 5.2 hereof) on or before the Effective Date of the following conditions, in a manner satisfactory to Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders:

- a. since December 31, 2011, there shall have been no Material Adverse Effect except as disclosed in the Information;
- b. the following shall have occurred by the dates set forth below:
 - i. the Meetings shall have occurred no later than June 25, 2012;
 - ii. the Plan shall have been approved by the Required Majorities of each Voting Class;
 - iii. the Sanction Order shall have been obtained no later than June 29, 2012 in accordance with Section 4.2 hereof;
 - iv. Catalyst shall have obtained an Order from the U.S. Court under chapter 15 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code recognizing that the Sanction Order is in full force and effect in the United States, which Order be satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and shall have become a Final Order; and
 - v. the Sanction Order shall have become a Final Order;

or such later date as may be agreed to among the Debtors and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and in accordance with the Restructuring and Support Agreement;

- c. there shall have been no breach in any material respect by the Debtors of any of the obligations, representations, warranties, or covenants of the Debtors set forth in the Restructuring and Support Agreement;
- d. the New First Lien Notes Security shall have been executed and delivered, together with standard supporting authorizing documents, and legal opinions from counsel to the applicable Catalyst Companies, in form and content reasonably satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, and registrations to perfect the liens created thereunder shall have been completed with the priority contemplated by the New First Lien Notes Indenture;
- e. Catalyst shall have entered into agreements with respect to the New ABL Facility and Exit Facility, if any, which agreements shall be satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and an intercreditor agreement entered into between the New ABL Facility Lender and the First Lien Noteholders or the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, subject to Section 5.2 hereof;
- f. all amounts owing by Catalyst pursuant to or in respect of the ABL Facility Claims (including by payment into escrow with the Monitor of any such amounts disputed as owing) shall have been paid in full in cash and the discharge on or before implementation of all security with respect thereto;
- g. the New First Lien Notes Indenture, New First Lien Notes Security, and all related agreements and other documents necessary to consummate the Plan shall have become effective, subject only to implementation of the Plan;
- h. all agreements and other documents and other instruments relating to the Plan shall be in form and content satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, as applicable and as set forth in the Restructuring and Support Agreement;
- any applicable governmental, regulatory and judicial consents or orders, and other similar consents and approvals, and all filings with all governmental authorities, securities commissions and other regulatory authorities having jurisdiction, in each case to the effect necessary for the completion of the transactions contemplated by the Plan or any aspect thereof, shall have been made, obtained or received and are not subject to any reversal or stay;

- j. reorganized Catalyst shall be a reporting issuer in certain provinces of Canada, and Catalyst's bylaws shall have been amended by its board of Directors to provide that reorganized Catalyst will use reasonable efforts to maintain its status as a reporting issuer in one or more provinces of Canada;
- k. the Debtors shall have taken all necessary corporate actions and proceedings in connection with the Plan, including the execution and filing of any articles of amendment or reorganization or other document to implement the Plan, which shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;
- 1. all agreements and documents necessary to implement and give effect to the Plan shall have been executed and delivered by all relevant Persons;
- m. all steps, conditions and documents necessary to the implementation of the Plan (including without limitation those set out above) are capable of being implemented on or before the Effective Date;
- n. no action shall have been instituted and be continuing on the Effective Date for an injunction to restrain, a declaratory judgement in respect of, or damages on account of, or relating to, the Plan;
- o. the New Labour Contracts remain effective and PPWC and CEP continue to abide by the terms thereof in all material respects and are not disputing the effectiveness thereof;
- p. the letters of credit posted as collateral for the KERP shall have been cancelled in exchange for the KERP Charge, and all cash collateral with respect thereto returned to Catalyst. In addition, the KERP shall have been modified and a Court Order obtained approving same as follows:

Solely with respect to the "Tier I" and "Tier II" beneficiaries of the KERP (as identified in the KERP), the retention payments scheduled under the KERP shall be made as follows:

- i. 45% (or \$1.9 million) to be paid on December 31, 2012;
- ii. 25% (or \$1 million) to be paid on December 31, 2013; and
- iii. 30% (or \$1.3 million) to be paid on December 31, 2013, *provided, however*, that such payment shall not be made unless and until any outstanding PIK Notes have been paid in cash in full;

or in another manner acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders:

- q. the Restructuring Expenses incurred through and including the Effective Date shall have been paid in full or otherwise satisfied or arranged; and
- r. Catalyst shall have obtained the regulatory assistance from the Government of British Columbia so as to implement the changes to the Catalyst Retirement Plan for Salaried Employees as are detailed as being based on Option 4 augmented by its proposed Special Portability Option in the Proposal for Regulatory Assistance submitted to the Government of British Columbia by Catalyst on May 27, 2012.

Section 5.2 Waiver of Conditions.

Any Condition Precedent other than any statutory requirements regarding the voting, approval and sanctioning of the Plan pursuant to the provisions of the CCAA may only be waived by the Debtors with the written consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and, to the extent that any such waiver implicates any right or duty of the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee under the First Lien Notes Indenture or the Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee under the Unsecured Notes Indenture, the applicable Indenture Trustee.

Section 5.3 Monitor's Certificate

Upon being advised in writing by counsel for the Debtors and counsel for the Initial Supporting Noteholders that the Conditions Precedent have been satisfied or waived in accordance with Section 5.2 hereof and that the Plan is capable of being implemented, the Monitor shall file with the Court a certificate stating that all Conditions Precedent of the Plan have been satisfied or waived in accordance with the Plan and that the Plan is capable of being implemented forthwith.

Section 5.4 Failure to Satisfy Conditions Precedent

If the Conditions Precedent are not satisfied or waived in accordance with Section 5.2 hereof on or before the day which is 45 days after the date on which the Sanction Order is issued or such later date as may be specified by the Debtors (with the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and in accordance with the Restructuring and Support Agreement), the Plan shall not be implemented and the Plan and the Sanction Order shall cease to have any further force or effect.

ARTICLE 6 IMPLEMENTATION OF PLAN

Section 6.1 Cancellation of Securities and Indentures

On the Effective Date, except as otherwise provided in the Plan, all notes, shares, instruments, certificates, indentures, guarantees, and other documents or agreements evidencing the First Lien Notes Claims, the Unsecured Notes Claims, and Equity Interests, including, without limitation, the First Lien Notes, the Unsecured Notes, the First Lien Notes Indentures, and the Unsecured Notes Indenture, shall be deemed automatically cancelled and shall be of no

further force or effect, whether surrendered for cancellation or otherwise, and the obligations of the Debtors thereunder or in any way related thereto shall be satisfied and discharged, except to the extent expressly set forth in Section 6.02 of the Unsecured Notes Indenture and Section 6.06 of the First Lien Notes Indenture. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) an aggregate principal amount of the First Lien Note Claims equal to the aggregate principal amount of the New First Lien Notes and the fair market value of the New Common Shares shall be cancelled and of no further force and effect, whether surrendered for cancellation or otherwise, at 12:01 a.m. on the Business Day next following the Effective Date, and (ii) the Equity Interests shall be cancelled and be of no further force and effect immediately prior to the issuance of the New Common Shares pursuant to Section 6.2(2) hereof.

Section 6.2 Issuance of Plan Securities

1. New First Lien Notes

At 12:01 a.m. on the Business Day next following the Effective Date, the New First Lien Notes shall be issued pursuant to the New First Lien Notes Indenture.

2. New Common Shares

At 12:01 a.m. on the Business Day next following the Effective Date, reorganized Catalyst shall issue 14,400,000 New Common Shares to the First Lien Noteholders and shall on such date or as soon as practicable thereafter issue such additional New Common Shares as are required to be delivered to Equity Election Creditors in accordance with the terms hereof.

It is contemplated that reorganized Catalyst shall be a reporting issuer in certain provinces in Canada and, on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, reorganized Catalyst shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the New Common Shares to be approved for listing by the TSX or other securities exchange acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, subject to standard listing conditions; *provided, however*, that under no circumstances shall reorganized Catalyst be required to undertake a public offering to satisfy the standard listing conditions if such listing conditions are not otherwise met.

Section 6.3 Equity Election

On or before seven (7) days after the date of the Sanction Order, the Monitor shall distribute to all Unsecured Creditors who are not Cash Election Creditors, in accordance with the solicitation procedures set forth in the Meetings Order, an Equity Election Package.

To make a valid Equity Election, on or before the Equity Election Deadline:

- a. General Unsecured Creditors who are not Cash Election Creditors must return a completed Equity Election Form to the Monitor; and
- b. Unsecured Noteholders must return a completed Equity Election Form to such holder's Solicitation Agent (as such term is defined in the Meetings Order).

Section 6.4 Sale of PREI in Accordance with the SISP

As soon as reasonably practicable following the Effective Date, in accordance with the SISP, as such shall be amended in accordance with Section 6.5 hereof, the reorganized Debtors shall use commercially reasonable efforts to market and sell PREI in accordance with the SISP, in order to effect the distribution of the PREI Proceeds Pool.

Section 6.5 Amendment of the SISP Order

As soon as reasonably practicable following the date of the Sanction Order, the reorganized Debtors shall obtain those amendments to the SISP Order and the SISP as may be required to effect the sale of PREI as contemplated herein. For greater certainty, it is not contemplated that there will be a Stalking Horse Bid (as such term is defined in the SISP Order) in respect of PREI.

Section 6.6 Delivery and Allocation Procedures

1. Delivery and Allocation of Plan Securities to First Lien Noteholders

Delivery of certificates representing the Plan Securities to which the First Lien Noteholders are entitled under the Plan shall be made on or before the third (3rd) Business Day following the Effective Date.

The First Lien Notes are held by DTC. To the extent any or all of the Plan Securities are eligible to be distributed through DTC, the delivery of interests in Plan Securities to First Lien Noteholders will be made through the facilities of DTC to DTC participants, who, in turn will make delivery of interests in such Plan Securities to the beneficial holders of such First Lien Notes pursuant to standing instructions and customary practices. To the extent any or all of the Plan Securities are not eligible to be distributed through DTC, delivery shall be made by distributing physical certificates to First Lien Noteholders through the facilities of DTC or the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, as applicable. The Debtors and the Indenture Trustees will have no liability or obligation in respect of any deliveries from DTC, or its nominee, to DTC participants or to beneficial holders.

2. Delivery and Allocation of New Common Shares to Equity Election Creditors

On or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of (a) the Effective Date and (b) the Business Day following the date all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order, delivery of each Equity Election Creditor's pro rata share (calculated by reference to Section 3.2) of 600,000 New Common Shares shall be made.

Delivery to Unsecured Noteholders

The Unsecured Notes are held by DTC. To the extent the New Common Shares are eligible to be distributed through DTC, the delivery of interests in New Common Shares to Unsecured Noteholders who have made a valid Equity Election will be made through the facilities of DTC to DTC participants, who, in turn will make delivery of interests in such New

Common Shares to the beneficial holders of such Unsecured Notes entitled thereto pursuant to standing instructions and customary practices. To the extent the New Common Shares are not eligible to be distributed through DTC, delivery shall be made by distributing physical certificates to Unsecured Noteholders through the facilities of DTC or the Unsecured Notes Indenture Trustee, as applicable. The Debtors and the Indenture Trustees will have no liability or obligation in respect of any deliveries from DTC, or its nominee, to DTC participants or to beneficial holders.

Delivery to General Unsecured Creditors Outside the United States

Delivery of New Common Shares to General Unsecured Creditors located outside the United States who have made a valid Equity Election will be made by mailing physical certificates to such General Unsecured Creditors by pre-paid ordinary mail to the address specified in such Creditor's Equity Election Form, Claims Amount Notice (as such term is defined in the Claims Procedure Order) or Proof of Claim.

Delivery to U.S. Distribution Agent and Process for Distribution to General Unsecured Creditors In the United States

The Debtors have designated a U.S. Distribution Agent for the purpose of distributing New Common Shares to those General Unsecured Creditors located in the United States who have made a valid Equity Election. The Debtors shall seek an Order from the U.S. Court in the Chapter 15 Proceedings with respect to the fairness of the transaction and otherwise approving the sale by the U.S. Distribution Agent on behalf of the Debtors to those eligible General Unsecured Creditors located in the United States of sufficient New Common Shares to match the number of New Common Shares that such eligible General Unsecured Creditors would have received, had such eligible General Unsecured Creditors been located outside of the United States. The sale of New Common Shares shall be in full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all Allowed General Unsecured Claims held by those General Unsecured Creditors located in the United States who have made a valid Equity Election.

On or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of (a) the Effective Date, (b) the Business Day following the date all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order, and (c) the Business Day following the date of the Order from the U.S. Court becoming a Final Order, the Debtors shall deliver the New Common Shares to the U.S. Distribution Agent by delivering the physical certificates for the New Common Shares to the U.S. Distribution Agent.

The U.S. Distribution Agent shall distribute the New Common Shares consistent with the Order from the U.S. Court to those General Unsecured Creditors located in the United States who have made a valid Equity Election by mailing physical certificates to such General Unsecured Creditors by pre-paid ordinary mail to the address specified in such Creditor's Equity Election Form, Claims Amount Notice (as such term is defined in the Claims Procedure Order) or Proof of Claim.

3. <u>Delivery of PREI Proceeds Pool to Unsecured Creditors Who Are Not Equity</u> Election Creditors

On or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of (a) the Effective Date, (b) the Business Day following the date all Disputed Claims have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order and (c) the Business Day following the closing of the sale of PREI, the Monitor shall distribute to each Affected Unsecured Creditor with an Allowed Unsecured Claim who has not made a valid Equity Election, such Creditor's pro rata share (calculated by reference to Section 3.2) of the PREI Proceeds Pool.

Delivery of cash to each Affected Unsecured Creditor with an Allowed Unsecured Claim who has not made a valid Equity Election will be made by way of cheque sent by pre-paid ordinary mail to the address specified in such Creditor's Claims Amount Notice (as such term is defined in the Claims Procedure Order) or Proof of Claim, or, if such Unsecured Creditor is an Unsecured Noteholder, to the DTC participant holding such Creditor's Unsecured Notes as at the Effective Time.

To the extent any part of the PREI Proceeds Pool remains after distribution to Affected Unsecured Creditors in accordance with the terms hereof, the Monitor shall return such cash to reorganized Catalyst.

4. Delivery of Convenience Cash Amounts to General Unsecured Cash Creditors

On or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of (a) the Effective Date and (b) the Business Day following the date all Disputed Claims of General Unsecured Cash Creditors have been (i) Allowed or (ii) determined by Final Order in accordance with the Claims Procedure Order, the Monitor shall distribute to each Affected General Unsecured Cash Creditor with an Allowed General Unsecured Claim, such Creditor's Convenience Cash Amount (or its pro rata share of the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool in the event that the aggregate amount of all Convenience Cash Amounts exceeds the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool) by way of cheque sent by pre-paid ordinary mail to the address specified in such Creditor's Claims Amount Notice (as such term is defined in the Claims Procedure Order) or Proof of Claim.

Section 6.7 Tax Election

An Eligible Holder who is receiving New Common Shares shall be entitled to make an income tax election pursuant to subsection 85(1) of the Tax Act or, if the holder is a partnership, subsection 85(2) of the Tax Act (and in each case, where applicable, the analogous provisions of provincial income tax law) with respect to the transfer of such holder's First Lien Notes or Unsecured Notes to Catalyst at the amount determined by such Eligible Holder, subject to the limitations set out in subsection 85(1) of the Tax Act (or any applicable tax legislation).

Section 6.8 Exchange Warrants

Any Electing Noteholder may, by giving notice to Catalyst, with copies to counsel for the Initial Supporting Noteholders as set forth in Subsection 8.9(ii) hereof, in the form prescribed in the Meetings Order, such notice to be delivered to Catalyst on or prior to the date of the Meetings, elect to receive Exchange Warrants in lieu of any Excess New Common Shares such

Noteholder would have otherwise received under the Plan in the absence of providing such notice. Delivery by Catalyst of Exchange Warrants exercisable for a number of New Common Shares equal to the number of Excess New Common Shares an Electing Noteholder would otherwise have received under the Plan but for delivering such notice will satisfy in full the obligation Catalyst would otherwise have had under the Plan to deliver such number of New Common Shares to the Electing Noteholder.

Section 6.9 Withholding Rights

Catalyst, the Monitor and/or the Indenture Trustees shall be entitled to deduct and withhold from any consideration or distribution otherwise payable to any Noteholder or General Unsecured Creditors such amounts as Catalyst, the Monitor and/or the Indenture Trustees are required to deduct and withhold with respect to such payment under Law. To the extent that amounts are so withheld, such withheld amounts shall be treated for all purposes hereof as having been paid to the holder of the securities in respect of which such deduction and withholding was made, provided that such withheld amounts are actually remitted to the appropriate taxing authority. Catalyst, the Monitor and/or the Indenture Trustees are hereby authorized to sell or otherwise dispose of such portion of the consideration (including to exercise Exchange Warrants, if necessary, provided at no time shall an Electing Noteholder hold in excess of 20% of the New Common Shares) as is necessary to provide sufficient funds to Catalyst, the Monitor and/or the Indenture Trustees, as the case may be, to enable it to comply with such deduction or withholding requirement and Catalyst, the Monitor and/or the Indenture Trustees shall notify the holder thereof and remit any unapplied balance of the net proceeds of such sale.

Section 6.10 Calculations

All amounts of consideration to be received hereunder will be calculated to the nearest cent (\$0.01). All calculations and determinations made by Catalyst for the purposes of and in accordance with the Plan, including, without limitation, the allocation of the consideration, shall be conclusive, final and binding upon the Affected Creditors and the Debtors.

Section 6.11 Initial Board of Directors of Reorganized Catalyst

On the Effective Date:

- a. the initial board of directors of reorganized Catalyst shall be composed of seven members;
- b. all existing members of the board shall be deemed to be removed;
- c. five members of the initial board, designated by the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders not less than ten days prior to the Effective Date, shall be deemed to be appointed as directors of reorganized Catalyst;
- d. one member of the initial board, designated by the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders not less than ten days prior to the Effective Date, shall be deemed to be appointed as a director of reorganized Catalyst; and

e. the Chief Executive Officer shall be deemed to be appointed as a director of reorganized Catalyst.

Section 6.12 Initial Management of Reorganized Catalyst

The senior management team upon and immediately following the consummation of the Plan shall be the same as the senior management team immediately prior to consummation of the Plan.

Section 6.13 Restructuring Expenses

In accordance with the Restructuring and Support Agreement, all reasonable and documented fees and expenses, incurred through and including the Effective Date, of the Initial Supporting First Lien Noteholders, the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee, including all reasonable documented fees and expenses incurred by the legal and financial advisors of such parties, shall be paid in cash. Without limiting the foregoing, for the avoidance of doubt, the legal and financial advisors to be paid pursuant to this Section 6.13 include (a) Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, (b) Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP, (c) Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP, (d) Moelis & Co., (e) Kelley Drye & Warren LLP, (f) Chaitons LLP, (g) Goodmans LLP, (h) Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP, (i) Houlihan Lokey, and (j) one local counsel in any single jurisdiction for each of (i) the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders and (ii) the First Lien Notes Indenture Trustee.

ARTICLE 7 EFFECT OF THE PLAN

Section 7.1 Binding Effect of the Plan

The Plan (including, without limitation, the releases and injunctions contained herein), upon being sanctioned and approved by the Court pursuant to the Sanction Order and the Sanction Order being recognized by the U.S. Court, shall be binding as of the Effective Date on all Persons irrespective of the jurisdiction in which the Persons reside or in which the Claims arose and shall constitute:

- a. a full, final and absolute settlement of all rights of the Affected Creditors and Existing Shareholders;
- b. cancellation of the Equity Interests; and
- c. an absolute release, satisfaction and discharge of all indebtedness, liabilities and obligations of the Debtors of or in respect of the Affected Claims and Equity Interests.

Section 7.2 Consents, Waivers and Agreements

From and after the Effective Date, each Affected Creditor and other Persons shall be deemed to have consented and to have agreed to all of the provisions of the Plan in its entirety. In particular, each Affected Creditor and other Persons shall be deemed:

- a. to have executed and delivered to the Monitor and the Debtors all consents, releases, assignments and waivers, statutory or otherwise, required to implement and carry out the Plan in its entirety; and
- b. to have waived any and all defaults then existing or previously committed by the Debtors in any covenant, warranty, representation, term, provision, condition or obligations, expressed or implied, in any contract, agreement, mortgage, security agreement, indenture, trust indenture, loan agreement, commitment letter, agreement for sale, lease or other agreement, written or oral and any and all amendments or supplements thereto, existing between any such Affected Creditor or other Person and the Debtors and any and all notices of default and demands for payment under any instrument, including without limitation any guaranty, shall be deemed to have been rescinded.

Section 7.3 Release of Released Parties

As of the Effective Date, to the extent permitted by law, each of the Released Parties shall be released and discharged from any and all demands, claims, liabilities, obligations, causes of action, damages, executions or other recoveries, known or unknown, based in whole or in part on any act or omission, transaction, dealing or other occurrence existing or taking place on or prior to the Effective Date relating to, arising out of, or in connection with the Securities, the First Lien Notes Indentures, the Unsecured Notes Indenture, the Restructuring and Support Agreement, the Plan, the Prior CBCA Proceedings, the CCAA Proceedings, the Chapter 15 Proceedings, and any proceedings commenced with respect to or in connection with the Plan; provided, however, that nothing in this paragraph shall release or discharge any of the Released Parties from or in respect of its obligations under the Plan or the Restructuring and Support Agreement and to comply with and to make the distributions set out therein; provided, further, however, that such release and discharge shall not include any Unaffected Claims against the Debtors; provided, further, however, that nothing herein will release or discharge a Released Party if the Released Party is determined by a Final Order of a court of competent jurisdiction to have committed wilful misconduct or fraud.

Section 7.4 Exculpation

To the extent permitted under applicable law, the Released Parties shall not have or incur any liability for any act or omission in connection with, related to, or arising out of the Prior CBCA Proceedings, the CCAA Proceedings or the Chapter 15 Proceedings, the formulation, preparation, dissemination, negotiation or filing of the Plan and related information circular or any contract, instrument, release or other agreement or document created or entered into in connection with the Plan or related information circular, the pursuit of sanctioning the Plan, the consummation, administration or implementation of the Plan, or the property to be distributed under the Plan, including the issuance of the securities thereunder or under any related agreement; *provided, however*, that this Section 7.4 shall not include any act or omission that is determined by Final Order of a court of competent jurisdiction to have constituted gross negligence, wilful misconduct or fraud.

Section 7.5 Injunction

All Persons, along with their respective affiliates, present and former officers, directors, employees, associated individuals, auditors, financial advisors, legal counsel, other professionals, sureties, insurers, indemnities, agents, dependents, heirs, representatives and assigns, as applicable, are permanently and forever barred, estopped, stayed and enjoined, on and after the Effective Date, with respect to claims against the Released Parties, from:

- a. commencing, conducting or continuing in any manner, directly or indirectly, any action, suits, demands or other proceedings of any nature or kind whatsoever (including, without limitation, any proceeding in a judicial, arbitral, administrative or other forum) against the Released Parties;
- b. enforcing, levying, attaching, collecting or otherwise recovering or enforcing by any manner or means, directly or indirectly, any judgment, award, decree or order against the Released Parties or their property;
- c. commencing, conducting or continuing in any manner, directly or indirectly, any action, suits or demands, including without limitation by way of contribution or indemnity or other relief, in common law, or in equity, breach of trust or breach of fiduciary duty or under the provisions of any statute or regulation, or other proceedings of any nature or kind whatsoever (including, without limitation, any proceeding in a judicial, arbitral, administrative or other forum) against any Person who makes such a claim or might reasonably be expected to make such a claim in any manner or forum, against one or more of the Released Parties;
- d. creating, perfecting, asserting or otherwise enforcing, directly or indirectly, any lien or encumbrance of any kind; or
- e. taking any actions to interfere with the implementation or consummation of the Plan or the transactions contemplated therein.

This Section 7.5 does not apply to any Unaffected Claims or to the enforcement of any obligations under the Plan.

Section 7.6 Responsibilities of the Monitor

The Monitor is acting in its capacity as Monitor in the CCAA Proceedings and the Monitor will not be responsible or liable for any obligations of the Debtors hereunder. The Monitor will have only those powers granted to it by this Plan, by the CCAA and by any Order of the Court in the CCAA Proceedings, including the Amended and Restated Initial Order.

ARTICLE 8 GENERAL

Section 8.1 Amendment

The Debtors shall be entitled, upon prior consultation with the Monitor, at any time and from time to time, to amend, restate, modify or supplement the Plan, provided that:

- a. if made prior to the Meetings, the Debtors (i) obtain the prior consent of the Monitor, (ii) file the amended Plan with the Court, (iii) serve the amended Plan on the parties listed on the service list to these CCAA Proceedings, (iv) provide reasonable notice of the amended Plan to Creditors that have filed proxies with the Monitor to the extent that such Creditors are not on the service list, and (v) request the Monitor to post the amended Plan on the Monitor's website at www.pwc.com/car-catalystpaper;
- b. if made during a Meeting, (i) the prior consent of the Monitor is obtained, (ii) the amendment would not be materially prejudicial to the interests of any of the Creditors under the Plan, and (iii) notice of the amendment is given to all Creditors eligible to vote and present at the Meetings prior to the vote being taken; in which case the amended Plan shall be promptly posted on the Monitor's website at www.pwc.com/car-catalystpaper and filed with the Court; and
- c. if made after the Meetings and, without further order of the Court or notice to any Creditor, the Debtors and the Monitor, acting reasonably and in good faith, determine the variation, amendment, modification or supplement in the amended Plan to be (i) of a technical or administrative nature that would not prejudice the interests of any of the Creditors under the Plan and (ii) necessary in order to give effect to the substance of the Plan or the Sanction Order;

provided, however, that the Plan may not be modified, amended or supplemented in any manner without the express written consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and, solely to the extent of any modification, amendment or supplement materially inconsistent with the Restructuring and Support Agreement, without the express written consent of the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders.

Section 8.2 Paramountcy

From and after the Effective Date, if there is any conflict between any provision(s) of the Plan or Sanction Order and any provision of any other contract, document, agreement or arrangement, written or oral, between any Creditor and any Debtor in existence on the Effective Date, the provision(s) of the Plan and Sanction Order shall govern.

Section 8.3 Termination

At any time prior to the Effective Date, the Debtors, with the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, may determine not to proceed with this Plan notwithstanding the obtaining of the Sanction Order. If the Conditions Precedent are not satisfied or waived as provided for in this Plan, if the Debtors determine not to proceed with this Plan, with the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, or if the Sanction Order is not issued by the Court: (a) this Plan shall be null and void in all respects, (b) any settlement or compromise embodied in this Plan, and any document or agreement executed pursuant to this Plan shall be deemed null and void, and (c) nothing contained in this Plan, and no act taken in preparation of the consummation of this Plan, shall (i) constitute or be deemed to constitute a waiver or release of any Claims or any defences thereto by or against any of the Affected Creditors or any other Person, (ii) prejudice in any manner the rights of any of the Affected Creditors or any other Person in any further proceedings involving the Debtor, or (iii) constitute an admission of any sort by the Applicants, the Affected Creditors or any other Person.

Section 8.4 Severability

If, prior to the Effective Date, any term or provision of the Plan is held by the Court to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the Court, at the request of the Debtors and with the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, shall have the power to alter and interpret such term or provision to make it valid or enforceable to the maximum extent practicable, consistent with the original purpose of the term or provision held to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, and such term or provision shall then be applicable as altered or interpreted.

Notwithstanding any such holding, alteration, or interpretation, the remainder of the terms and provisions of the Plan shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired, or invalidated by such holding, alteration, or interpretation. The Sanction Order shall constitute a judicial determination and shall provide that each term and provision of the Plan, as it may have been altered or interpreted in accordance with the foregoing, is valid and enforceable

Section 8.5 Successors and Assigns

The rights, benefits and obligations of any Person named or referred to in the Plan shall be binding on, and shall inure to the benefit of, any heir, executor, trustee, administrator, or successor or assign of such Person.

Section 8.6 Further Assurances

Notwithstanding that the transactions and events set out in the Plan shall occur and be deemed to occur in the order set out herein without any other additional act or formality, each of the Persons affected hereby shall make, do and execute, or cause to be made, done and executed all such further acts, deeds, agreements, transfers, assurances, instruments or documents as may reasonably be required by Catalyst in order to better implement the Plan.

Section 8.7 Entire Agreement

Except as otherwise indicated, upon the Effective Date, the Plan supersedes all previous and contemporaneous negotiations, promises, covenants, agreements, understandings, and representations on such subjects, all of which have become merged and integrated into the Plan.

Section 8.8 Exhibits and Related Documents

All schedules, exhibits and documents filed in relation to the Plan are incorporated into and are a part of the Plan as if set forth in full in the Plan.

Section 8.9 Notices

Any notices or communication to be made or given hereunder shall be in writing and shall reflect this Plan and may, subject as hereinafter provided, be made or given by the Person making or giving it or by any agent of such Person authorized for that purpose by personal delivery, by prepaid mail or by e-mail addressed to the respective parties as follows:

(i) if to the Debtors:

Catalyst Paper Corporation 2nd Floor, 3600 Lysander Lane Richmond, BC V7B IC3 Attention: David Adderley, General Counsel E-mail address: david.adderley@catalystpaper.com

and

Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP
595 Burrard Street
P.O. Box 49314
Suite 2600, Three Bentall Centre
Vancouver BC V7X 1L3
Attention: William C. Kaplan Q.C. and Peter Rubin, Esq.
E-mail addresses: bill.kaplan@blakes.com and peter.rubin@blakes.com

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP 222 Bay Street, Suite 1750 P.O. Box 258 Toronto, Ontario M5K IJ5 Attention: Christopher W. Morgan, Esq.

E-mail address: Christopher.morgan@skadden.com

and

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP 300 South Grand Avenue Suite 3400 Los Angeles, CA 90071 Attention: Van C. Durrer II, Esq. E-mail address: van.durrer@skadden.com

(ii) if to an Initial Supporting Noteholder or a transferee thereof, to the addresses set forth below such Noteholder's signature on the Restructuring and Support Agreement (or as directed by any transferee thereof), as the case may be:

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP
Royal Trust Tower
77 King Street West
Toronto, ON M5K 0A1
Attention: Ryan C. Jacobs, Esq., R. Shayne Kukulowicz, Esq., and John R.
Sandrelli, Esq.
E-mail address: ryan.jacobs@fmc-law.com, shayne.kukulowicz@fmc-law.com, john.sandrelli@fmc-law.com

and

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
One Bryant Park
New York, NY 10036
Attention: Michael S. Stamer, Esq., Stephen B. Kuhn, Esq., and Meredith A.
Lahaie, Esq.
E-mail addresses: mstamer@akingump.com, skuhn@akingump.com,
mlahaie@akingump.com

and

Goodmans LLP

Bay Adelaide Centre 333 Bay Street, Suite 3400 Toronto, ON M5H 2S7 Attention: Robert Chadwick, Esq., and Melaney Wagner, Esq. E-mail address: rchadwick@goodmans.ca, mwagner@goodmans.ca

(iii) if to the Monitor:

PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc. 250 Howe Street, Suite 700 Vancouver, BC V6C 3S7

Attention: Michael J. Vermette, Neil Bunker

E-mail address: michael.j.vermette@ca.pwc.com, neil.p.bunker@ca.pwc.com

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Fasken Martineau L.P. 2900-550 Burrard Street Vancouver, BC V6C 0A3

Attention: John Grieve, Esq., and Kibben Jackson, Esq. E-mail address: jgrieve@fasken.com; kjackson@fasken.com

Any notice given by delivery, mail, e-mail, or courier shall be effective when received.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, as of the 14th day of June, 2012.

EXHIBIT C

Settlement Agreement

SETTLEMENT AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT

This SETTLEMENT AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT is made and entered into as of June 22, 2012 (this "Agreement") by and among (i) Catalyst Paper Corporation ("CPC") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively, the "Applicants" or "Debtors"); and (ii) the undersigned holders or investment advisers or managers of discretionary accounts (each, a "Supporting 2014 Noteholder") that hold 7.375% Senior Notes due March 1, 2014 (the "2014 Notes") issued by CPC pursuant to that certain indenture, dated as of March 23, 2004. The Debtors and each Supporting Noteholder are collectively referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Debtors held meetings of their secured and unsecured creditors on May 23, 2012 (the "*Prior Meetings*") and the Amended and Restated Plan of Compromise and Arrangement dated May 15, 2012 did not receive the requisite statutory thresholds for approval at the Prior Meetings;

WHEREAS, the Debtors are presenting the Second Amended and Restated Plan of Compromise and Arrangement attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 1</u> (the "Second Amended Plan") to the secured and unsecured creditors of the Debtors for consideration at meetings to be held on or about June 25, 2012 (the "Meetings");

WHEREAS, the Debtors and the Supporting 2014 Noteholders have engaged in settlement discussions and have arrived at a resolution as outlined in this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, other creditor groups who have participated in settlement discussions with the Debtors, including other holders of 2014 Notes, have had their legal fees paid by the Debtors;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and agreements contained herein, and for other valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, each Party, intending to be legally bound hereby, agrees as follows:

AGREEMENT

Section 1. Agreement Effective Date.

1.1 Agreement Effective Date. This Agreement shall become effective and binding upon each of the Parties at 12:01 a.m., New York City time, on the date on which counterpart signature pages of this Agreement shall have been executed by the Debtors and delivered to Bennett Jones LLP ("Bennett Jones") and counterpart signature pages of this Agreement shall have been executed by one or more Supporting 2014 Noteholders and delivered to the Debtors (the "Agreement Effective Date").

Section 2. Commitments Regarding the Second Amended Plan.

2.1 Commitments and Covenants of the Supporting 2014 Noteholders.

- (a) As long as this Agreement has not been terminated in accordance with the terms hereof, each Supporting 2014 Noteholder agrees that it shall, subject to the terms and conditions contained herein:
 - (i) support the Second Amended Plan and the transactions contemplated thereby, including without limitation (A) by advising the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "Canadian Court") of its support for the Second Amended Plan; (B) by voting its claims (within the meaning of section 101 of the Bankruptcy Code and any comparable provisions of Canadian law, its "Claims") against the Debtors with respect to the 2014 Notes held by the Supporting 2014 Noteholders to accept the Second Amended Plan at the Meetings or any adjournment thereof; and (C) by not changing or withdrawing (or causing to be changed or withdrawn) such favorable vote;
 - (ii) not, directly or indirectly, in any material respect, (A) object to, delay, impede, or take any other action to interfere with confirmation or consummation of the Second Amended Plan or (B) propose, file, support, solicit or vote for any restructuring, workout, plan of arrangement, or plan of reorganization for the Debtors, other than the Second Amended Plan;
 - (iii) not, pursue, advance or take benefit of, directly or indirectly, any action, cause of action, suit, claim of debt, claim of costs, claim of legal costs, claims and demands of every nature or kind which a Supporting 2014 Noteholder has or at any time hereafter can, shall or may have against a current or former officer or director of the Debtors (in that capacity) in any way arising or resulting from any cause, matter, or anything whatsoever existing as to the present time; and
 - (iv) except as permitted under the Second Amended Plan and Section 2.2 (b) herein or with respect to enforcement of this Agreement, not pursue, advance or take benefit of, directly or indirectly, any action, cause of action, suit, claim of debt, claim of costs, claim of legal costs, claims and demands of every nature or kind which a Supporting 2014 Noteholder has or at any time hereafter can, shall or may have against the Debtors in any way arising or resulting from any cause, matter, or anything whatsoever existing as to the present time.

2.2 Commitment and Covenants of Debtors.

(a) As long as this Agreement has not been terminated in accordance with the terms hereof and as otherwise provided herein, each of the Debtors agrees that it shall, subject to the terms and conditions contained herein:

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(i) do all things necessary and appropriate in furtherance of the Second Amended Plan, including, without limitation:

- (A) holding meetings (the "Voting Meetings") of the holders of the 11% Senior Secured Notes due December 15, 2016 and the Class B 11% Senior Secured Notes due December 15, 2016 (collectively, the "2016 Notes"), and the 2014 Notes together with other general unsecured creditors, to vote on the Second Amended Plan on June 25, 2012, or such later date as may be permitted pursuant to the Supplemental Meetings Order of the Canadian Court dated June 18, 2012; and
- (B) obtaining an order of the Canadian Court sanctioning the Plan within seven days of approval of the Second Amended Plan at the Voting Meetings (the "Sanction Order").
- (ii) obtain any and all required regulatory and/or third-party approvals for the Second Amended Plan;
- (iii) use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the approval of the Canadian Court for this Agreement;
- (iv) pursue, support and use commercially reasonable efforts to complete the Second Amended Plan in good faith, and use commercially reasonable efforts to do all things that are reasonably necessary and appropriate in furtherance of, and to consummate and make effective, the Second Amended Plan, including, without limitation, using commercially reasonable efforts to satisfy the conditions precedent set forth in this Agreement; and
- (v) not take any action that is materially inconsistent with, or is intended or is likely to interfere with consummation of the Second Amended Plan.
- (b) The Debtors shall, no later than the Effective Date (as defined in the Second Amended Plan), pay all documented fees and expenses of Bennett Jones LLP and Kasowitz Benson Torres & Friedman LLP up to a maximum of US\$1.3 million. Such payments shall be made directly to Bennett Jones LLP and Kasowitz Benson Torres & Friedman LLP, as appropriate.

<u>Representations of Consenting Noteholders.</u> Each of the Consenting Noteholders severally and not jointly represents and warrants that as of the date such Consenting Noteholder executes and delivers this Agreement:

(a) as of the Agreement Effective Date (i) it is the sole beneficial owner of the outstanding principal amount of the 2014 Notes, or is the nominee, investment manager, or advisor for beneficial holders of the 2014 Notes and has the power and authority to bind the beneficial holders of such 2014 Notes to the terms of this Agreement, as reflected in such Supporting 2014 Noteholder's signature block to this Agreement, which amount the Debtors and each Supporting 2014 Noteholder understands and acknowledges is proprietary and confidential to such Supporting 2014 Noteholder, and (ii) the principal amount of 2014 Notes reflected in such Supporting 2014 Noteholder's signature block to this Agreement, constitutes all of the 2014 Notes that are legally or beneficially owned by such Supporting 2014 Noteholder or over which such Supporting 2014 Noteholder has the power to vote or dispose;

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- (b) other than pursuant to this Agreement and applicable law, such 2014 Notes are free and clear of any pledge, lien, security interest, charge, claim, equity, option, proxy, voting restriction, right of first refusal or other limitation on disposition, or encumbrances of any kind, that would adversely affect in any way such Supporting 2014 Noteholder's performance of its obligations contained in this Agreement at the time such obligations are required to be performed;
- (c) it is not aware of any fact, obligation or event, including any fiduciary or similar duty to any other person, that would prevent it from taking any action required of it under this Agreement.

Section 3. Mutual Representations, Warranties, and Covenants.

Each of the Parties, severally and not jointly, represents, warrants, and covenants to each other Party, as of the date of this Agreement, as follows (each of which is a continuing representation, warranty, and covenant):

- 3.1 <u>Enforceability.</u> It is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, and this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by such Party and is a legal, valid, and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as enforcement may be limited by applicable laws relating to or limiting creditor's rights generally or by equitable principles relating to enforceability.
- 3.2 <u>No Consent or Approval.</u> Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, the Bankruptcy Code, the CCAA, the *Investment Canada Act*, the *Competition Act (Canada)*, the rules of the Toronto Stock Exchange, or the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, each as applicable, no consent or approval is required by any other person or entity in order for it to carry out the Transactions contemplated by, and perform their respective obligations under, this Agreement.
- 3.3 <u>Power and Authority.</u> It has all requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement and perform its respective obligations under this Agreement, provided that, with respect to the Debtors, all requisite approvals of the Canadian Court are obtained.
- 3.4 <u>Authorization.</u> The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary action on its part.

Section 4. Termination Events.

- 4.1 <u>Automatic Termination Events.</u> This Agreement shall automatically terminate and, except as otherwise provided herein, all obligations of the Parties shall immediately terminate and be of no further force and effect upon the occurrence and continuation of any of the following events:
- (a) the failure of the Debtors to obtain, prior to the Voting Meetings or any adjournment thereof, approval of this Agreement by the Canadian Court; or

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(b) the issuance by any governmental authority, including any regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction, of any ruling or order enjoining the consummation of a material portion of the Second Amended Plan; provided, however, that the Debtors shall have five business days after receiving such notice to cure any breach.

Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, upon the written consent of the Parties any of the termination events identified in this Section 4.1 may be waived.

- 4.2 <u>Supporting 2014 Noteholder Termination Events</u> The Supporting 2014 Noteholders may terminate this Agreement as to all Parties upon the occurrence of any of the following events (each, a "Supporting 2014 Noteholder Termination Event"):
- (a) the breach in any material respect by the Debtors of any of the material representations, warranties, or covenants of the Debtors set forth in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Supporting 2014 Noteholders shall transmit a notice to the Debtors detailing any such breach, and the Debtors shall have five business days after receiving such notice to cure any breach;
- (b) the amendment, modification, or filing of a pleading by the Debtors seeking to amend or modify the Second Amended Plan in a manner that results in a material reduction in the distribution to Supporting 2014 Noteholders pursuant to the Second Amended Plan;
 - (c) the withdrawal of the Second Amended Plan;
- (d) the Debtors filing any motion or pleading that is not consistent in any material respect with this Agreement and such motion or pleading has not been withdrawn prior to entry of an order approving such motion; or
- (e) the entry of any order by a court of competent jurisdiction that is inconsistent in any material respect with this Agreement.

Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, upon the written consent of the Supporting 2014 Noteholders any of the termination events identified in this Section 4.2 may be waived.

- 4.3 <u>Debtors Termination Events.</u> The Debtors may terminate this Agreement as to all Parties upon the occurrence of any of the following events (each, a "*Debtors Termination Event*"):
- (a) the breach in any material respect by any of the Supporting 2014 Noteholders of any of the material representations, warranties, or covenants of such Supporting 2014 Noteholders set forth in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Debtors shall transmit a notice to the Supporting 2014 Noteholders detailing any such breach, and the Supporting 2014 Noteholders shall have five business days after receiving such notice to cure any breach; or
- (b) in order to allow the Debtors to enter into an agreement with respect to a transaction other than the Second Amended Plan, provided that such termination right may not

be exercised unless (i) CPC's board of directors has determined in good faith and based on the advice of outside legal counsel that continued performance under this Agreement would be inconsistent with the exercise of applicable fiduciary duties imposed on CPC's board of directors by law and (ii) all other agreements requiring support for the Second Amended Plan by holders of 2014 Notes and 2016 Notes are terminated.

- 4.4 <u>Mutual Termination.</u> This Agreement and the obligations of all Parties hereunder may be terminated by mutual agreement among (a) the Debtors, and (b) the Supporting 2014 Noteholders.
- 4.5 <u>Effect of Termination.</u> Upon termination of this Agreement under Section 4.1, 4.2, 4.3 or 4.4 hereof, except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall be of no further force and effect and each Party shall be released from its commitments, undertakings, and agreements under or related to this Agreement and shall have the rights and remedies that it would have had it not entered into this Agreement, and shall be entitled to take all actions, whether with respect to the Second Amended Plan or otherwise, that it would have been entitled to take had it not entered into this Agreement. Upon the occurrence of any termination of this Agreement, any and all consents tendered by the Supporting 2014 Noteholders prior to such termination shall be deemed, for all purposes, to be null and void from the first instance and shall not be considered or otherwise used in any manner by the Parties in connection with the Transactions and this Agreement or otherwise.
- 4.6 <u>Termination Upon Effective Date of Second Amended Plan.</u> This Agreement shall terminate automatically without any further required action or notice on the date that the Second Amended Plan becomes effective and the fees and expenses described in Section 2.2(b) are paid (immediately following the effectiveness of the Second Amended Plan).

Section 5. Amendments.

This Agreement, including the Term Sheet, may not be modified, amended, or supplemented (except as expressly provided herein or therein) except in writing signed by the Debtors and the Supporting 2014 Noteholders.

Section 6. Miscellaneous.

- 6.1 <u>Further Assurances.</u> Subject to the other terms of this Agreement, the Parties agree to execute and deliver such other instruments and perform such acts, in addition to the matters herein specified, as may be reasonably appropriate or necessary, from time to time, to effectuate the Transactions, as applicable.
- 6.2 <u>Complete Agreement.</u> Except as expressly provided herein, this Agreement and the Exhibit hereto is the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect thereto. No claim of waiver, modification, consent, or acquiescence with respect to any provision of this Agreement shall be made against any Party, except on the basis of a written instrument executed by or on behalf of such Party.

- 6.3 <u>Parties.</u> This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the Parties. No rights or obligations of any Party under this Agreement may be assigned or transferred to any other person or entity. Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, shall give to any person or entity, other than the Parties, any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under this Agreement.
- 6.4 <u>Headings.</u> The headings of all sections of this Agreement are inserted solely for the convenience of reference and are not a part of and are not intended to govern, limit, or aid in the construction or interpretation of any term or provision hereof.
- 6.5 GOVERNING LAW; SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION; SELECTION OF FORUM; WAIVER OF TRIAL BY JURY. THIS AGREEMENT IS TO BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED IN SUCH STATE, WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO THE CONFLICT OF LAWS PRINCIPLES THEREOF. Each Party irrevocably waives any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

6.6 Execution of Agreement.

- (a) This Agreement may be executed and delivered (by facsimile, electronic mail, or otherwise) in any number of counterparts, each of which, when executed and delivered, shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute the same agreement.
- (b) Any Person signing this Agreement in a representative capacity (i) represents and warrants that it is authorized to sign this Agreement on behalf of the Party it represents and that its signature upon this Agreement will bind the represented Party to the terms hereof, (ii) acknowledges that the other Parties hereto have relied upon such representation and warranty, (iii) is making the representations and warranties in Sections 2.4(b), 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4 hereof to the best of its knowledge after due inquiry, and (iv) is providing the covenants in Sections 2.1(a) and 2.1(b) hereof to the extent and only to the extent that (x) it remains the investment manager for the Party it represents or (y) the Party it represents has not loaned its securities to another person or instructed the investment manager to liquidate its funds and accounts, provided that the Supporting 2014 Noteholder will not precipitate such action and if (x) or (y) shall occur, the Supporting 2014 Noteholder shall promptly notify CPC.
- 6.7 <u>Interpretation.</u> This Agreement is the product of negotiations between the Debtors and the Supporting 2014 Noteholders, and in the enforcement or interpretation hereof, is to be interpreted in a neutral manner, and any presumption with regard to interpretation for or against any Party by reason of that Party having drafted or caused to be drafted this Agreement, or any portion hereof, shall not be effective in regard to the interpretation hereof.
- 6.8 <u>Successors and Assigns.</u> This Agreement is intended to bind and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors, assigns, heirs, executors, administrators, and representatives, other than a trustee or similar representative appointed in a bankruptcy case.
- 6.9 <u>Notices.</u> All notices hereunder shall be deemed given if in writing and delivered, if sent by telecopy, electronic mail, courier, or registered or certified mail (return receipt

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requested) to the following addresses and telecopier numbers (or at such other addresses or telecopier numbers as shall be specified by like notice):

(a) If to the Debtors, to:

Catalyst Paper Corporation 2nd Floor, 3600 Lysander Lane Richmond, BC V7B IC3 Attention: David Adderley, General Counsel

E-mail address: david.adderley@catalystpaper.com

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP 2600-595 Burrard Street Vancouver, British Columbia Canada V7X1L3

Attention: Peter Kalbfleisch

E-mail address: Peter.Kalbfleisch@blakes.com

if to a Supporting 2014 Noteholder, to the addresses or telecopier numbers (b) set forth below following the Supporting 2014 Noteholder's signature, as the case may be

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Bennett Jones LLP Suite 3400 – 1 First Canadian Place P.O. Box 130 Toronto, Ontario Canada M5X 1A4 Attention: S. Richard Orzy

E-mail address: Orzyr@bennettjones.com

Any notice given by delivery, mail, or courier shall be effective when received. Any notice given by telecopier shall be effective upon oral or machine confirmation of transmission.

- Waiver. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, nothing herein is intended to, or does, in any manner waive, limit, impair, or restrict any right of any Supporting 2014 Noteholder or the ability of each of the Supporting 2014 Noteholders to protect and preserve its rights, remedies, and interests, including, without limitation, its claims against the Debtors. If this Agreement is terminated for any reason (other than Section 4.5 hereof), the Parties fully reserve any and all of their rights. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 408 and any other applicable rules of evidence, this Agreement and all negotiations relating hereto shall not be admissible into evidence in any proceeding other than a proceeding to enforce its terms.
- Specific Performance. It is understood and agreed by the Parties that money 6.11 damages would be an insufficient remedy for any breach of this Agreement by any Party and

each non-breaching Party shall be entitled to specific performance and injunctive or other equitable relief as a remedy of any such breach, including, without limitation, an order of a court of competent jurisdiction requiring any Party to comply promptly with any of its obligations hereunder.

- 6.12 <u>Several, Not Joint, Obligations.</u> The agreements, representations, and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement are, in all respects, several and not joint.
- 6.13 <u>Remedies Cumulative.</u> All rights, powers, and remedies provided under this Agreement or otherwise available in respect hereof at law or in equity shall be cumulative and not alternative, and the exercise of any right, power, or remedy thereof by any Party shall not preclude the simultaneous or later exercise of any other such right, power, or remedy by such Party.
- 6.14 No Third-Party Beneficiaries. Unless expressly stated herein, this Agreement shall be solely for the benefit of the Parties, and no other person or entity shall be a third-party beneficiary hereof.
- 6.15 <u>Time</u>. Time is of the essence in the performance of the Parties' respective obligations. Any date, time or period referred to in this Agreement shall be of the essence, except to the extent to which the Parties agree in writing to vary any date, time or period, in which event the varied date, time or period shall be of the essence.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement on the day and year first above written.

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EXHIBIT D

Amended RSA

RESTRUCTURING AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT

This RESTRUCTURING AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT is made and entered into as of March 11, 2012 (this "Agreement") by and among (i) Catalyst Paper Corporation ("CPC") and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively, the "Applicants" or "Debtors"); and (ii) the undersigned holders or investment advisers or managers of discretionary accounts that hold the 2016 Notes (as defined below) or 2014 Notes (as defined below) (each, an "Initial Supporting Noteholder").¹ The Debtors, each Initial Supporting Noteholder and each person or entity that becomes a party hereto in accordance with the terms hereof are collectively referred to as the "Parties" and individually as a "Party."

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Debtors and certain holders of the 2016 Notes and the 2014 Notes who are Parties to this Agreement were parties to a prior, executed Restructuring and Support Agreement with the Debtors dated as of January 14, 2012 (the "January 14 RSA"), which was terminated in accordance with its terms on January 31, 2012 and this Agreement replaces the January 14 RSA in all respects; and

WHEREAS, the Debtors and the Initial Supporting Noteholders are negotiating (a) restructuring and recapitalization transactions with respect to the capital structure of the Debtors, including the Debtors' obligations under: (i) the 11% Senior Secured Notes due December 15, 2016 (the "Senior Secured Notes") issued by CPC pursuant to that certain Indenture, dated as of March 10, 2010 (as amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Senior Secured Notes Indenture"), by and among CPC, as issuer, certain of its affiliates, as guarantors, Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee (in such capacity, the "2016 Trustee"), and Computershare Trust Company of Canada, as collateral trustee (in such capacity, the "Collateral Trustee"); (ii) the Class B 11% Senior Secured Notes due December 15, 2016 (the "Class B Senior Secured Notes," and, together with the Senior Secured Notes, the "2016 Notes") issued by CPC pursuant to that certain Indenture, dated as of May 19, 2010 (as amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Class B Indenture," and, together with the Senior Secured Notes Indenture, the "2016 Indentures"), by and among CPC, as issuer, certain of its affiliates, as guarantors, the 2016 Trustee and the Collateral Trustee; and (iii) the 7.375% Senior Notes due March 1, 2014 (the "2014 Notes" and together with the 2016 Notes, the "Notes") issued by CPC pursuant to that certain Indenture, dated as of March 23, 2004 (as amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time, the "2014 Indenture"), by and among CPC, as issuer, certain of its affiliates, as guarantors, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "2014 Trustee") or, as applicable (b) the sale of all or substantially all of the Debtors' assets in accordance with sale and investor solicitation procedures to be approved by the Supreme Court of British Columbia, Vancouver Registry (the "Canadian Court") substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A (with such changes as shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders (each as defined below), the "SISP"), in each case pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the Restructuring Term Sheet attached hereto as Exhibit B (the "Term Sheet") and in this Agreement which are intended to form the basis of a plan, consistent in all respects with the Term Sheet and this Agreement, (the "Plan") or a sale transaction in connection with the Debtors' proceedings commenced pursuant to the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act (the "CCAA") and chapter 15 of title 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), as set forth more specifically in this Agreement and the Term Sheet (collectively, the "Transactions").

¹ For the avoidance of doubt, the Initial Supporting Noteholders shall not include those holders of 2014 Notes or 2016 Notes who execute one or more Joinder Agreements (as contemplated below).

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and agreements contained herein, and for other valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, each Party, intending to be legally bound hereby, agrees as follows:

AGREEMENT

Section 1. Agreement Effective Date and Joinder.

1.1 <u>Agreement Effective Date.</u> This Agreement shall become effective and binding upon each of the Parties at 12:01 a.m., New York City time, on the date on which counterpart signature pages of this Agreement shall have been executed by the Debtors and delivered to Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP ("*Akin Gump*") and Goodmans LLP ("*Goodmans*") and counterpart signature pages of this Agreement shall have been executed by one or more Initial Supporting Noteholders and delivered to the Debtors (the "*Agreement Effective Date*").

1.2 Joinder. Each holder of Notes or investment adviser or manager of discretionary accounts that hold the Notes that is not an Initial Supporting Noteholder and which executes a Joinder Agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C shall be deemed, as of the date of such execution, for all purposes of this Agreement to be a Party to this Agreement as a Consenting Noteholder (as defined below), and this Agreement shall be deemed to have been amended as of such date to include such holder of Notes or investment adviser or manager of discretionary accounts that hold the Notes as a Consenting Noteholder; provided that, except as expressly amended as contemplated by this section, each provision of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, unamended.

Section 2. Term Sheet. The Term Sheet is expressly incorporated herein and is made part of this Agreement. The general terms and conditions of the Transactions are set forth in the Term Sheet; provided, however, that the Term Sheet is supplemented by the terms and conditions of this Agreement. In the event of any inconsistencies between the terms of this Agreement and the Term Sheet, this Agreement shall govern. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Term Sheet.

2.1 Consent Rights

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the following consent and consultation rights regarding certain aspects of the Transactions as set forth in this Section 2.1 shall apply:

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- (i) The following shall be acceptable to (A) the Initial Supporting Noteholders, where each of the Initial Supporting Noteholders will have one vote and a majority of votes will govern (the "Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders") and (B) all holders of 2014 Notes that have executed this Agreement (as distinct from a Joinder Agreement) as of the date hereof (collectively, the "Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders"): (1) the terms of the Warrant Agreement; and (2) any aspects of the Plan that may be materially inconsistent with the Term Sheet.
- (ii) The following shall be acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders: (A) the Exit Facility, to the extent necessary; (B) the treatment of unexpired leases and executory contracts; (C) the securities exchange on which the New Common Stock and the New Warrants shall be listed; (D) the corporate governance documents of reorganized CPC and the reorganized Debtor subsidiaries; (E) the Transaction Documents; and (F) the Meetings Order, the SISP Approval Order, the Claims Process Order and the Sanction Order (each as defined herein).
- (iii) The Debtors' new labor contracts and/or collective bargaining agreements shall not be objected to by the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders; provided, however, that the Debtors shall provide the Initial Supporting Noteholders with not less than three business days from the date on which all relevant materials pertaining to the new labor agreements are provided to counsel to the Initial Supporting Noteholders to determine whether to object to such new labor agreements. All relevant materials pertaining to the new labor agreements shall also be provided to counsel for the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders.

Section 3. Commitments Regarding the Transactions.

3.1 Support of the Transactions and the Plan.

- (a) As long as this Agreement has not been terminated in accordance with the terms hereof, each Initial Supporting Noteholder and each holder of 2014 Notes and/or 2016 Notes who executes a Joinder Agreement (such holders, together with the Initial Supporting Noteholders, the "Consenting Noteholders") agrees, in compliance with the timeframes set forth in this Agreement, that it shall, subject to the terms and conditions contained herein:
 - (i) on a timely basis, negotiate in good faith all documentation relating to the Transactions, including all solicitation material in respect of the Plan (collectively, the "Solicitation Materials" and together with the Plan, court materials and all other documentation relating to the Transactions, the "Transaction Documents"), which Transaction Documents shall contain provisions consistent in all respects with the Term Sheet and this Agreement and shall contain such other provisions as are reasonably satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, except as otherwise set forth herein;

- (ii) permit all necessary disclosures in the Solicitation Materials of the contents of this Agreement, including but not limited to the aggregate principal amount of outstanding 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes held by the Consenting Noteholders;
- (iii) support the Plan and the transactions contemplated thereby, including without limitation (A) by indicating in court its support for the Transactions and the Plan; (B) by voting its claims (within the meaning of section 101 of the Bankruptcy Code and any comparable provisions of Canadian law, its "Claims") against the Debtors with respect to the 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes held by the Consenting Noteholders to accept the Plan by delivering its duly executed and completed ballot accepting such Plan on a timely basis, and in any event within the period for responses specified in the Solicitation Materials, following the commencement of the solicitation and its actual receipt of the applicable Solicitation Materials; and (C) by not changing or withdrawing (or causing to be changed or withdrawn) such favorable vote;
- (iv) as applicable and on the terms hereunder, support the SISP and the entry of the SISP Approval Order, and the transactions consummated thereunder by, among other things, indicating in court its support for the SISP, the SISP Approval Order and the sale by way of credit bid under the SISP; and
- (v) not, directly or indirectly, in any material respect, (A) object to, delay, impede, or take any other action to interfere with confirmation or consummation of the Plan and/or the implementation of the SISP (including any credit bid up to the full amount of the obligations outstanding under the 2016 Indentures by or on behalf of the holders of the 2016 Notes), as applicable, and acceptance or implementation of the Transactions or (B) propose, file, support, solicit or vote for any restructuring, workout, plan of arrangement, or plan of reorganization for the Debtors, other than the Plan and the Transactions.
- (b) Each Consenting Noteholder also agrees that unless this Agreement is terminated in accordance with the terms hereof, it will not, directly or indirectly, exercise any right or remedy for the enforcement, collection, acceleration or recovery of any of the 2016 Notes or 2014 Notes against the Debtors that is materially inconsistent with the Term Sheet and this Agreement or instruct the 2016 Trustee or the 2014 Trustee to take any such action with respect to the 2016 Notes or 2014 Notes, respectively, that is materially inconsistent with the Term Sheet and this Agreement; provided, however, that, except as otherwise set forth in this Agreement, the foregoing prohibition will not limit any Consenting Noteholders' rights under any applicable indenture, credit agreement, other loan document, and/or applicable law to: (i) terminate or close out any swap agreement, repurchase agreement, or similar transaction with the Debtors to the extent the underlying agreement permits such termination or close-out, (ii) appear and participate as a party in interest in any matter to be adjudicated in any case under the Bankruptcy Code or CCAA, as applicable, concerning the Debtors, so long as such appearance and the positions advocated in connection therewith are not materially inconsistent with the Plan, this Agreement and such Consenting Noteholder's obligations hereunder, or (iii) submit a credit bid as contemplated in Section 3.2(a)(ii)(C)(1) of this Agreement.

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3.2 Commitment of Debtors.

- (a) As long as this Agreement has not been terminated in accordance with the terms hereof and as otherwise provided herein, each of the Debtors agrees, in compliance with the timeframes set forth in this Agreement, that it shall, subject to the terms and conditions contained herein:
 - (i) support and complete the Transactions embodied in the Term Sheet and this Agreement;
 - (ii) do all things necessary and appropriate in furtherance of the Transactions embodied in the Term Sheet and this Agreement, including, without limitation:
 - (A) in connection with the Debtors' prior proceedings under the *Canada Business Corporations Act* (the "*CBCA*"), abandoning the Debtors' application for an interim order under section 192 of the CBCA in the Canadian Court;
 - (B) in connection with the Debtors' proceedings under the CCAA:

- (1) on or before March 15, 2012, filing the Plan with the Canadian Court;
- (2) setting a voting record date (the "*Record Date*") of no later than March 16, 2012;
- (3) obtaining an order (the "Meetings Order") from the Canadian Court providing for the calling, holding and conduct of the Voting Meetings (as defined below) and the sending of Solicitation Materials in connection with the Plan by no later than March 20, 2012 (the "Meetings Order Date");
- (4) obtaining an order (the "Claims Process Order") from the Canadian Court by no later than March 20, 2012 providing for a claims process and bar date, which bar date shall be selected by the Debtors, in consultation with the Monitor and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, but shall in no event be later than April 19, 2012;
- (5) holding meetings (the "Voting Meetings") of the holders of the 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes, together with other general unsecured creditors, to vote on the Plan no later than April 23, 2012, the date of which Voting Meetings must be reasonably acceptable to Akin Gump, Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP ("FMC") and Goodmans; and

- (6) obtaining an order of the Canadian Court sanctioning the Plan by no later than April 25, 2012 (the "Sanction Order").
 - (C) in connection with the SISP:
- (1) on the same date as the Debtors file the Plan and seek the Meetings Order from the Canadian Court, the Debtors shall simultaneously file an application (the "SISP Application") with the Canadian Court for approval of the SISP which shall include, among other things, that a credit bid shall be permitted on behalf of all holders of the 2016 Notes of up to the full amount of the obligations outstanding under the 2016 Indentures, and that such credit bid shall be selected as the stalking horse bid in such sale process;
- (2) obtaining an order of the Canadian Court approving the SISP (the "SISP Approval Order") by no later than March 20, 2012, which order shall be in form and substance satisfactory to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and shall provide that the SISP is approved and shall be implemented without further order of the court but only within two business days following the failure to achieve the requisite statutory thresholds of support for approval of the Plan at the Voting Meetings (the "Plan Vote Failure") and that failing the Debtors commencing such SISP within two business days of the Plan Vote Failure, the Monitor appointed in the CCAA proceedings shall be directed to implement the SISP within one business day of such failure;
 - (3) commencing the SISP in accordance with its terms within two business days of the Plan Vote Failure; and
 - (4) meeting all timelines set forth in the SISP.
- (iii) take all steps necessary and desirable to cause the effective date of the Plan to occur within the time frames contemplated by this Agreement;
- (iv) cooperate and work in good faith with Akin Gump, FMC and Goodmans in connection with the implementation of the Transactions and to prepare or cause the preparation of the Solicitation Materials, the Plan, the Meetings Order, the Claims Process Order, the SISP, the SISP Application, the SISP Approval Order, and all related materials and provide draft copies of such documents to Akin Gump, FMC and Goodmans, within a reasonable amount of time prior to the filing of such materials;
- (v) provide regular, periodic updates to counsel for the Initial Supporting Noteholders, counsel to Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and any Initial Supporting Noteholder or Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholder subject to a confidentiality agreement at the time of such update regarding the Debtors' business operations and assets and relations between the Debtors and their labor unions, as well as notice of and complete details regarding, as soon as practicable, but in any event within twenty-four (24) hours following the occurrence of, any event, fact or occurrence which could reasonably be expected to have a significant effect on the Debtors' business and assets and/or the implementation of the Transactions including, without limitation, significant changes in the Debtors' financial condition including their cash position and trade terms required by the Debtors' vendors and suppliers, any default or

event of default under the Debtors' DIP loan facility, efforts to seek approval of new labor agreements with the Debtors' labor unions and any significant events in the Debtors' CCAA proceedings;

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- (vi) use commercially reasonable efforts (including recommending to holders of the 2016 Notes and holders of the 2014 Notes that they vote to approve the Plan) to achieve the timelines in Section 3.2(a)(ii)(B) or, as applicable, Section 3.2(a)(ii)(C) of this Agreement;
- (vii) obtain any and all required regulatory and/or third-party approvals for the Transactions embodied in the Term Sheet and this Agreement;
- (viii) pursue, support and use commercially reasonable efforts to complete the Transactions in good faith, and use commercially reasonable efforts to do all things that are reasonably necessary and appropriate in furtherance of, and to consummate and make effective, the Transactions, including, without limitation, using commercially reasonable efforts to satisfy the conditions precedent set forth in this Agreement;
- (ix) upon the request of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, seek the appointment of a Chief Restructuring Officer acceptable, including terms of engagement, to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the Debtors, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders; and
- (x) not take any action that is materially inconsistent with, or is intended or is likely to interfere with consummation of, the restructuring or sale process, as applicable, and the Transactions embodied in the Term Sheet and this Agreement.
- (b) Regardless of whether the Transactions are consummated, the Debtors shall promptly pay any and all documented and reasonable accrued and unpaid out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Initial Supporting Noteholders in connection with the negotiation, documentation, and consummation of this Agreement, the Term Sheet, the Solicitation Materials, and all other documents related to the Plan and the Transactions. In addition, the Debtors shall pay all reasonable and documented fees and expenses of (i) Akin Gump, FMC, Moelis & Company, Goodmans, Houlihan Lokey Capital, Inc. and Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP, in each case in accordance with applicable engagement letters in existence on the date hereof, including, with respect to Houlihan Lokey Capital, Inc., the Deferred Fee set out in section 2(ii)(A) of the engagement letter with Houlihan Lokey Capital, Inc., and (ii) local counsel retained by each of the Steering Group and the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, in each case in accordance with applicable engagement letters entered into with CPC (provided that the Consenting Noteholders hereby acknowledge and agree that the Debtors shall not be liable for the fees and expenses of more than one local counsel in any single jurisdiction for each of (x) the steering group of holders of 2016 Notes (the "Steering Group") and (y) the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, collectively.

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- (c) The Debtors shall not institute or agree to any material increase in their pension obligations.
- 3.3 Transfer of Interests and Securities. Except as expressly provided herein, this Agreement shall not in any way restrict the right or ability of any Consenting Noteholder (a "Transferor") to sell, use, assign, transfer or otherwise dispose of ("Transfer") any of its 2016 Notes or 2014 Notes; provided, however, that for the period commencing as of the Agreement Effective Date or, in the case of a Joinder Agreement, the date of the Joinder Agreement until termination of this Agreement pursuant to the terms hereof, no Consenting Noteholder shall Transfer any 2016 Notes or 2014 Notes, and any purported Transfer of 2016 Notes or 2014 Notes shall be void and without effect, unless the transferee (a "Transferee") is (a) a Consenting Noteholder or (b) prior to the Transfer, such Transferee delivers to the Debtors, Akin Gump and Goodmans, at or prior to the time of the proposed Transfer, an executed copy of the Joinder Agreement in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C pursuant to which such Transferee shall become a Party to, and bound by the terms and conditions of, this Agreement as a Consenting Noteholder in accordance with Section 1.2 of this Agreement in respect of the 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes being transferred. This Agreement shall in no way be construed to preclude the Consenting Noteholders from acquiring additional 2016 Notes or 2014 Notes; provided, however, that (a) any Consenting Noteholder that acquires additional 2016 Notes or 2014 Notes after executing this Agreement shall notify the Debtors, Akin Gump and Goodmans

of such acquisition within two business days after the closing of such trade and shall disclose to the Debtors in writing the principal amount of any such 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes so acquired, and (b) additional 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes shall automatically and immediately upon acquisition by a Consenting Noteholder be deemed subject to all of the terms of this Agreement whether or not notice is given to the Debtors, Akin Gump or Goodmans of such acquisition.

- 3.4 <u>Representations of Consenting Noteholders.</u> Each of the Consenting Noteholders severally and not jointly represents and warrants that as of the date such Consenting Noteholder executes and delivers this Agreement:
- (a) as of the Agreement Effective Date (or in the case of a Joinder Agreement, as of the date of such Joinder Agreement), (i) it is the sole beneficial owner of the outstanding principal amount of the 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes, or is the nominee, investment manager, or advisor for beneficial holders of the 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes and authority to bind the beneficial holders of such 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes to the terms of this Agreement, as reflected in such Consenting Noteholder's signature block to this Agreement or the Joinder Agreement, as the case may be, which amount the Debtors and each Consenting Noteholder understands and acknowledges is proprietary and confidential to such Consenting Noteholder, and (ii) the principal amount of 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes reflected in such Consenting Noteholder's signature block to this Agreement or the Joinder Agreement, as the case may be, constitutes all of the 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes that are legally or beneficially owned by such Consenting Noteholder or over which such Consenting Noteholder has the power to vote or dispose;

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- (b) other than pursuant to this Agreement and applicable law, such 2016 Notes and 2014 Notes are free and clear of any pledge, lien, security interest, charge, claim, equity, option, proxy, voting restriction, right of first refusal or other limitation on disposition, or encumbrances of any kind, that would adversely affect in any way such Consenting Noteholder's performance of its obligations contained in this Agreement at the time such obligations are required to be performed;
- (c) it is either (A) a qualified institutional buyer as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or (B) an institutional accredited investor (as defined in Rule 501(a)(l), (2), (3), or (7) under the Securities Act), and, if such Consenting Noteholder is resident in Canada, it is an "accredited investor" as defined in National Instrument 45-106 of the Canadian Securities Authorities;
- (d) any securities acquired in the Transactions will have been acquired for investment and not with a view to distribution or resale; and
- (e) it is not aware of any fact, obligation or event, including any fiduciary or similar duty to any other person, that would prevent it from taking any action required of it under this Agreement.
- 3.5 <u>Representations of the Debtors.</u> Each of the Debtors severally and not jointly represents and warrants as of the date such Debtor executes and delivers this Agreement and as of the date of implementation of the Plan to the matters set out in <u>Exhibit D</u> hereto.
- Section 4. Court Materials. The Debtors shall provide draft copies of all applications, pleadings and materials the Debtors intend to file with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "US Court") and/or the Canadian Court to Akin Gump, FMC and Goodmans at least three days (or, in the case of a bona fide emergency not created by the Debtors, as soon as reasonably practicable but in any event not less than 24 hours) prior to the date when the Debtors intend to file such document, unless waived by each of Akin Gump/FMC and Goodmans, and shall consult in good faith with such counsel regarding the form and substance of any such proposed filing with the US Court and/or the Canadian Court; provided, however, that, except as otherwise provided herein, any such proposed filings shall be in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Akin Gump/FMC and Goodmans. In addition, except as otherwise provided herein, all dates for the hearing of motions or applications before the Canadian Court or the US Court must be reasonably acceptable to Akin Gump, FMC and Goodmans.
- **Section 5.** *Mutual Representations, Warranties, and Covenants.* Each of the Parties, severally and not jointly, represents, warrants, and covenants to each other Party, as of the date of this Agreement, as follows (each of which is a continuing representation, warranty, and covenant):
- 5.1 Enforceability. It is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, and this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by such Party and is a legal, valid, and binding obligation of such Party, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as enforcement may be limited by applicable laws relating to or limiting creditor's rights generally or by equitable principles relating to enforceability.

- 5.2 No Consent or Approval. Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, the Bankruptcy Code, the CCAA, the *Investment Canada Act*, the *Competition Act* (*Canada*), the rules of the Toronto Stock Exchange, or the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, each as applicable, no consent or approval is required by any other person or entity in order for it to carry out the Transactions contemplated by, and perform their respective obligations under, this Agreement.
- 5.3 <u>Power and Authority.</u> It has all requisite power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to carry out the Transactions contemplated by, and perform its respective obligations under, this Agreement, provided that, with respect to the Debtors, all requisite approvals of the Canadian Court and the US Court have been obtained.
- 5.4 <u>Authorization</u>. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary action on its part.

Section 6. Termination Events.

- 6.1 <u>Consenting Noteholder Termination Events.</u> This Agreement shall automatically terminate and, except as otherwise provided herein, all obligations of the Parties shall immediately terminate and be of no further force and effect upon the occurrence and continuation of any of the following events:
 - (a) in connection with a CCAA proceeding with respect to the Plan:
 - (i) failure of the Debtors to file the Plan by March 15, 2012;
 - (ii) failure of the Debtors to set the Record Date as a date on or before March 16, 2012;
 - (iii) failure of the Debtors to obtain the Meetings Order and the Claims Process Order by March 20, 2012;
 - (iv) failure of the Debtors to hold the Voting Meetings by April 23, 2012;
 - (v) failure of the Debtors to obtain the Sanction Order by April 25, 2012 (the "Sanction Order Date"); and
 - (vi) failure of the Plan to become effective within 21 days of the Sanction Order Date (the "Outside Date");

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- (b) in connection with a CCAA proceeding with respect to the SISP:
 - (i) failure of the Debtors to file the SISP Application for approval of the SISP on or before March 15, 2012;
 - (ii) failure of the Debtors to obtain the SISP Approval Order by March 20, 2012;
- (iii) failure of the Debtors to implement the SISP in accordance with its terms within two business days of a Plan Vote Failure or, as may be necessary, the Monitor to implement the SISP within one business day of the Debtors' failure to implement the SISP; and
 - (iv) failure to meet the deadlines set forth in the SISP.
- (c) in connection with the US Cases, entry of any order which stays, reverses or otherwise modifies the Order Granting Final Relief for Recognition of a Foreign Main Proceeding Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 105(a), 1517, 1519, 1520, and 1521 (the "Recognition Order") or any other order made by the US Bankruptcy Court that, in each case, adversely affects the Consenting Noteholders' rights, remedies, interests, charges, priorities, benefits or protections under the Recognition Order or any other Order made in the US Cases;

- (d) upon failure of the Pulp, Paper and Woodworkers Union of Canada and the Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union of Canada (the "*Unions*") to ratify new labor agreements in respect of the Debtors' various mills in British Columbia, Canada by the Outside Date; provided, however, that if the termination right contemplated by this Section 6.1(c) is exercisable but the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders elect not to exercise such right and the SISP is implemented, any purchase or similar agreement proposed in connection with a credit bid on behalf of the holders of 2016 Notes may include ratification of new labor agreements by the Unions as a condition to closing;
- (e) the breach in any material respect by the Debtors of any of the obligations, representations, warranties, or covenants of the Debtors set forth in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders shall transmit a notice to the Debtors, Akin Gump and Goodmans, as applicable, detailing any such breach, and the Debtors shall have five business days after receiving such notice to cure any breach;
- (f) the issuance by any governmental authority, including any regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction, of any ruling or order enjoining the consummation of a material portion of the Transactions; provided, however, that the Debtors shall have five business days after receiving such notice to cure any breach;
- (g) if the CCAA proceedings of the Debtors are dismissed, terminated, stayed, modified, or converted to a proceeding under the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act (Canada) or Winding-Up and Restructuring Act (Canada), in each case unless such conversion, dismissal, termination, stay, or modification, as applicable, is made with the prior written consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders;
- (h) the appointment of a trustee, receiver, or examiner with expanded powers in one or more of the US Cases or a receiver, interim receiver, receiver and manager, trustee in bankruptcy, liquidator, or administrator is appointed in the CCAA proceedings or any other proceedings against the Debtors unless such appointment is made with the prior written consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders;

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- (i) the amendment, modification, or filing of a pleading by the Debtors seeking to amend, modify or withdraw the Plan, Solicitation Materials, the SISP, or any documents related to the foregoing, including motions, notices, exhibits, appendices, and orders, in a manner not reasonably acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders;
- (j) the Debtors file any motion or pleading with the US Court or the Canadian Court that is not consistent in any material respect with this Agreement or the Term Sheet and such motion or pleading has not been withdrawn prior to the earlier of (i) three business days of the Debtors receiving written notice in accordance with Section 8.10(a) hereof from the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders that such motion or pleading is inconsistent with this Agreement or the Term Sheet and (ii) entry of an order of the US Court or the Canadian Court, as applicable, approving such motion; or
- (k) the entry of any order by the US Court or the Canadian Court that is inconsistent in any material respect with this Agreement or the Term Sheet.

Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, upon the written consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, (i) the dates set forth in this Section 6.1 may be extended and such later dates agreed to in lieu thereof shall be of the same force and effect as the dates provided herein; provided, however, that the Outside Date may not be extended in excess of 60 days, without the written consent of each Party, and (ii) any of the other termination events identified in this Section 6.1 may be waived.

- 6.2 <u>Debtors Termination Events</u>. The Debtors may terminate this Agreement as to all Parties upon the occurrence of any of the following events (each, a "*Debtors Termination Event*"):
- (a) the breach in any material respect by any of the Consenting Noteholders of any of the material representations, warranties, or covenants of such Consenting Noteholders set forth in this Agreement; provided, however, that the Debtors shall transmit a notice to the Consenting Noteholders detailing any such breach, and the Consenting Noteholders shall have five business days after receiving such notice to cure any breach;
- (b) the issuance by any governmental authority, including any regulatory authority or court of competent jurisdiction, of any ruling or order enjoining the consummation of a material portion of the Transactions; or
 - (c) in order to allow the Debtors to enter into an agreement with respect to a transaction other than the Transactions (an "Other

- (i) CPC's board of directors has determined in good faith and based on the advice of outside legal counsel that continued performance under this Agreement would be inconsistent with the exercise of applicable fiduciary duties imposed on CPC's board of directors by law; and
- (ii) the Other Transaction provides for the repayment in full in cash of the principal amount of the 2016 Notes, all accrued and unpaid interest thereon and all other obligations owing with respect to the 2016 Notes.
- 6.3 <u>Mutual Termination</u>. This Agreement and the obligations of all Parties hereunder may be terminated by mutual agreement among (a) the Debtors and (b) the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders.
- 6.4 Effect of Termination. Upon termination of this Agreement under Section 6.1, 6.2, or 6.3 hereof, except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall be of no further force and effect, except for Section 3.2(b) and the provisions in Section 8 other than Section 8.1, 8.11, and 8.13, each of which shall survive termination of this Agreement, and each Party shall be released from its commitments, undertakings, and agreements under or related to this Agreement and shall have the rights and remedies that it would have had it not entered into this Agreement, and shall be entitled to take all actions, whether with respect to the Transactions or otherwise, that it would have been entitled to take had it not entered into this Agreement. Upon the occurrence of any termination of this Agreement, any and all consents tendered by the Consenting Noteholders prior to such termination shall be deemed, for all purposes, to be null and void from the first instance and shall not be considered or otherwise used in any manner by the Parties in connection with the Transactions and this Agreement or otherwise.
- 6.5 <u>Termination Upon Effective Date of Plan.</u> This Agreement shall terminate automatically without any further required action or notice on the date that the Plan becomes effective (immediately following the effectiveness of the Plan).

Section 7. Amendments.

This Agreement, including the Term Sheet, may not be modified, amended, or supplemented (except as expressly provided herein or therein) except in writing signed by the Debtors and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders. Notwithstanding the foregoing and so long as the Transactions are consummated pursuant to the Plan, without the consent of the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, the following cannot be modified, amended or supplemented: (i) the percentage equity ownership or Warrants described in the Term Sheet to be allocated to the holders of 2014 Notes in the CCAA proceeding; (ii) the composition and/or selection of members of the initial board of directors of reorganized CPC as described in the Term Sheet; (iii) Section 3.2(b) of this Agreement; (iv) the Debtors' release of any and all claims or causes or action, known or unknown, relating to any pre-Commencement Date acts or omissions committed by the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders and their legal and financial advisors, as described in the Term Sheet, and (v) any provisions in this Agreement or the Term Sheet requiring the consent of, or consultation with, the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders.

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Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, if this Agreement is amended, modified or supplemented or any matter herein is approved, consented to or waived: (i) in a manner that materially adversely affects the percentage equity ownership described in the Term Sheet to be provided to holders of 2016 Notes in the CCAA proceeding; or (ii) in a manner that materially adversely affects the percentage equity ownership or Warrants described in the Term Sheet to be allocated to the holders of 2014 Notes in the CCAA proceeding, then any Consenting Noteholder that objects to any such amendment, modification, supplement, approval, consent or waiver may terminate its obligations under this Agreement upon five business days' written notice to the other Parties hereto and shall thereupon no longer be a Consenting Noteholder.

Section 8. Miscellaneous.

8.1 <u>Further Assurances</u>. Subject to the other terms of this Agreement, the Parties agree to execute and deliver such other instruments and perform such acts, in addition to the matters herein specified, as may be reasonably appropriate or necessary, from time to time, to effectuate the

Transactions, as applicable.

- 8.2 <u>Complete Agreement.</u> Except as expressly provided herein, this Agreement and all Exhibits hereto is the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements, oral or written, between the Parties with respect thereto. No claim of waiver, modification, consent, or acquiescence with respect to any provision of this Agreement shall be made against any Party, except on the basis of a written instrument executed by or on behalf of such Party.
- 8.3 <u>Parties.</u> This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the Parties. No rights or obligations of any Party under this Agreement may be assigned or transferred to any other person or entity except as provided in Section 3.3 hereof. Nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, shall give to any person or entity, other than the Parties, any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under this Agreement.
- 8.4 <u>Headings</u>. The headings of all sections of this Agreement are inserted solely for the convenience of reference and are not a part of and are not intended to govern, limit, or aid in the construction or interpretation of any term or provision hereof.
- 8.5 GOVERNING LAW; SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION; SELECTION OF FORUM; WAIVER OF TRIAL BY JURY. THIS AGREEMENT IS TO BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS MADE AND TO BE PERFORMED IN SUCH STATE, WITHOUT GIVING EFFECT TO THE CONFLICT OF LAWS PRINCIPLES THEREOF. Each Party agrees that it shall bring any action or proceeding in respect of any claim arising out of or related to this Agreement in the US Court. Each Party irrevocably waives any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

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8.6 Execution of Agreement.

- (a) This Agreement may be executed and delivered (by facsimile, electronic mail, or otherwise) in any number of counterparts, each of which, when executed and delivered, shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute the same agreement.
- (b) Any Person signing this Agreement in a representative capacity (i) represents and warrants that it is authorized to sign this Agreement on behalf of the Party it represents and that its signature upon this Agreement will bind the represented Party to the terms hereof, (ii) acknowledges that the other Parties hereto have relied upon such representation and warranty, (iii) is making the representations and warranties in Sections 3.4(b), 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4 hereof to the best of its knowledge after due inquiry, and (iv) is providing the covenants in Sections 3.1(a)(iii), 3.1(a)(iv), 3.1(a)(v), 3.1(b) and 3.3 hereof to the extent and only to the extent that (x) it remains the investment manager for the Party it represents or (y) the Party it represents has not loaned its securities to another person or instructed the investment manager to liquidate its funds and accounts, provided that the Consenting Noteholder will not precipitate such action and if (x) or (y) shall occur, the Consenting Noteholder shall promptly notify CPC.
- 8.7 <u>Interpretation.</u> This Agreement is the product of negotiations between the Debtors and the Consenting Noteholders, and in the enforcement or interpretation hereof, is to be interpreted in a neutral manner, and any presumption with regard to interpretation for or against any Party by reason of that Party having drafted or caused to be drafted this Agreement, or any portion hereof, shall not be effective in regard to the interpretation hereof.
- 8.8 <u>Successors and Assigns.</u> This Agreement is intended to bind and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors, assigns, heirs, executors, administrators, and representatives, other than a trustee or similar representative appointed in a bankruptcy case.

8.9 Relationship Among Parties.

(a) It is understood and agreed that no Consenting Noteholder has any fiduciary duty or other duty of trust or confidence in any form with any other Consenting Noteholder, and, except as provided in this Agreement, there are no commitments among or between them. In this regard, it is understood and agreed that any Consenting Noteholder may trade in the Notes or other debt or equity securities of the Debtors without the consent of the Debtors or any other Consenting Noteholder, subject to applicable securities laws and the terms of this Agreement; provided, however, that no Consenting Noteholder shall have any responsibility for any such trading by any other entity by virtue of this Agreement. No prior history, pattern, or practice of sharing confidences among or between the Consenting Noteholders shall in any way affect or negate this understanding and agreement.

(b) Except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement applies only to each Consenting Noteholder's Claims and to each Consenting Noteholder solely with respect to its legal and/or beneficial ownership of, or its investment and voting discretion over its Claims (and not, for greater certainty, to any other types or classes of securities, loans or obligations that may be held, acquired or sold by such Consenting Noteholder or any client of such Consenting Noteholder whose funds or accounts are managed by such Consenting Noteholder or managed by a different investment advisor) and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, shall not apply to:

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- (i) any securities, loans or other obligations (including Notes) that may be held, acquired or sold by, or any activities, services or businesses conducted or provided by, any group or business unit within or affiliate of a Consenting Noteholder (A) that has not been involved in and is not acting at the direction of or with knowledge of the Debtors' affairs provided by any person involved in the Transactions discussions or (B) is on the other side of an information firewall with respect to the officers, partners and employees of such Consenting Noteholder who have been working on the Transactions and is not acting at the direction of or with knowledge of the Debtors' affairs provided by any officers, partners and employees of such Consenting Noteholder who have been working on the Transactions: and
- (ii) any securities, loans or other obligations that may be beneficially owned by clients of a Consenting Noteholder, including accounts or funds managed by the Consenting Noteholder, that are not Notes, or Claims.
- (c) Subject to Section 8.9(b), nothing in this Agreement is intended to preclude any of the Consenting Noteholders from engaging in any securities transactions, subject to the agreements set forth in Section 3.3 hereof with respect to Consenting Noteholders' Notes and Claims.
- 8.10 <u>Notices</u>. All notices hereunder shall be deemed given if in writing and delivered, if sent by telecopy, electronic mail, courier, or registered or certified mail (return receipt requested) to the following addresses and telecopier numbers (or at such other addresses or telecopier numbers as shall be specified by like notice):
 - (a) If to the Debtors, to:

Catalyst Paper Corporation

2nd Floor, 3600 Lysander Lane
Richmond, BC V7B IC3

Attention: David Adderley, General Counsel
E-mail address: david.adderley@catalystpaper.com

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP
222 Bay Street, Suite 1750
P.O. Box 258
Toronto, Ontario
Canada M5K IJ5
Attention: Christopher W. Morgan, Esq.

E-mail address: Christopher.morgan@skadden.com

and

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Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP 300 South Grand Avenue

Suite 3400

Los Angeles, CA 90071

Attention: Van C. Durrer II, Esq.

E-mail address: van.durrer@skadden.com

(b) if to a Consenting Noteholder or a transferee thereof, to the addresses or telecopier numbers set forth below following the Consenting Noteholder's signature (or as directed by any transferee thereof), as the case may be

with copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP One Bryant Park New York, NY 10036

Attention: Michael S. Stamer, Esq. and Stephen B. Kuhn, Esq.

E-mail addresses: mstamer@akingump.com and skuhn@akingump.com

and

Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP Royal Trust Tower 77 King Street West Toronto, ON M5K 0A1

Attention: Ryan C. Jacobs, Esq. and R. Shayne Kukulowicz, Esq.

E-mail address: ryan.jacobs@fmc-law.com and shayne.kukulowicz@fmc-law.com

and

Goodmans LLP Bay Adelaide Centre 333 Bay Street, Suite 3400 Toronto, ON M5H 2S7

Attention: Robert Chadwick and Melaney Wagner

E-mail address: rchadwick@goodmans.ca and mwagner@goodmans.ca

Any notice given by delivery, mail, or courier shall be effective when received. Any notice given by telecopier shall be effective upon oral or machine confirmation of transmission.

8.11 Access. The Debtors will afford the Consenting Noteholders and their respective attorneys, consultants, accountants, and other authorized representatives reasonable access, upon reasonable notice during normal business hours, to all properties, books, contracts, commitments, records, management personnel, lenders, and advisors of the Debtors; provided, however, that the Debtors' obligation hereunder shall be conditioned upon such Consenting Noteholder being party to an executed confidentiality agreement approved by and with the Debtors. The Debtors acknowledge and agree that certain Consenting Noteholders have complied with the requirements of this Section 8.11 by virtue of their existing confidentiality arrangements with the Debtors.

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- 8.12 <u>Waiver.</u> Except as expressly provided in this Agreement, nothing herein is intended to, or does, in any manner waive, limit, impair, or restrict any right of any Consenting Noteholder or the ability of each of the Consenting Noteholders to protect and preserve its rights, remedies, and interests, including, without limitation, its claims against the Debtors. If the Transactions are not consummated, or if this Agreement is terminated for any reason (other than Section 6.5 hereof), the Parties fully reserve any and all of their rights. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 408 and any other applicable rules of evidence, this Agreement and all negotiations relating hereto shall not be admissible into evidence in any proceeding other than a proceeding to enforce its terms.
- 8.13 <u>Specific Performance</u>. It is understood and agreed by the Parties that money damages would be an insufficient remedy for any breach of this Agreement by any Party and each non-breaching Party shall be entitled to specific performance and injunctive or other equitable relief as a remedy of any such breach, including, without limitation, an order of the US Court, Canadian Court, or other court of competent jurisdiction

requiring any Party to comply promptly with any of its obligations hereunder.

- 8.14 <u>Several, Not Joint, Obligations.</u> The agreements, representations, and obligations of the Parties under this Agreement are, in all respects, several and not joint.
- 8.15 <u>Remedies Cumulative.</u> All rights, powers, and remedies provided under this Agreement or otherwise available in respect hereof at law or in equity shall be cumulative and not alternative, and the exercise of any right, power, or remedy thereof by any Party shall not preclude the simultaneous or later exercise of any other such right, power, or remedy by such Party.
- 8.16 No Third-Party Beneficiaries. Unless expressly stated herein, this Agreement shall be solely for the benefit of the Parties, and no other person or entity shall be a third-party beneficiary hereof.
- 8.17 <u>Time</u>. Time is of the essence in the performance of the Parties' respective obligations. Any date, time or period referred to in this Agreement shall be of the essence, except to the extent to which the Parties agree in writing to vary any date, time or period, in which event the varied date, time or period shall be of the essence.

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Section 9. Disclosure. The Debtors shall publicly disclose (a) the existence of this Agreement and the material terms of the Term Sheet within two business days following the date of this Agreement and (b) any material amendment to this Agreement and the Term Sheet in a press release or filing with the Canadian Court following the effective date of such amendment, each in form and substance acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders; provided, however, that if the Debtors reasonably believe that specific disclosures are required to be included in such public disclosure by law, the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, shall not unreasonably object to the inclusion of such disclosures. The Debtors will submit to Akin Gump, FMC and Goodmans all press releases and public filings relating to this Agreement, the Term Sheet, or the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and any amendments thereof and all such press releases and public filings shall be in form and substance reasonably acceptable to such counsel. To the extent that the Debtors fail to make such initial disclosure within two business days following the date of this Agreement or the effective date of any amendment hereto, each of the Consenting Noteholders shall each have the right, but not the obligation, to disclose such terms publicly. The Debtors shall not (i) use the name of any Consenting Noteholder in any press release without such Consenting Noteholder's prior written consent or (ii) except as may be required pursuant to a court order, disclose to any person other than legal and financial advisors to the Debtors the principal amount or percentage of any Notes or any other securities of the Debtors or any of their respective subsidiaries held by any Consenting Noteholder; provided, however, that the Debtors shall be permitted to disclose at any time the aggregate principal amount of and aggregate percentage of Notes held by Consenting Noteholders or by persons who have otherwise agreed to participate in the Transactions as a group. The Debtors acknowledge that enforcement of the disclosure rights granted in this Section 9 by the Consenting Noteholders do not violate the automatic stay provisions of the Bankruptcy Code or similar provision in connection with any proceeding commenced in Canada.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement on the day and year first above written.

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Name: M. Dallas H. Ross

Title: Director

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Name: David L. Adderley

Title: Corporate Secretary and Legal Counsel

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EXHIBIT A

SALE AND INVESTOR SOLICITATION PROCEDURES

Catalyst Paper Corporation et al. Procedures for the Sale and Investor Solicitation Process

On January 31, 2012, Catalyst Paper Corporation ("CPC"), together with certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates as listed in Schedule "A" hereto (collectively, the "Petitioners"), obtained an initial order (as amended and restated by order dated February 3, 2012 and as it has been and may be further amended, restated or supplemented from time to time, collectively, the "Initial Order") under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36 (as amended, the "CCAA") from the Supreme Court of British Columbia, Vancouver Registry (the "Canadian Court"). The Initial Order also applies to Catalyst Paper General Partnership (which, together with the Petitioners, make up the "Catalyst Entities"). On February 1, 2012, CPC, as the foreign representative of the Catalyst Entities, commenced a recognition proceeding pursuant to Chapter 15 of the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "U.S. Bankruptcy Court", and together with the Canadian Court, the "Courts"). On March 5, 2012, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court recognized the Canadian proceeding as a foreign main proceeding pursuant to Chapter 15 of the Bankruptcy Code.

On March •, 2012, the Canadian Court entered an order (the "SISP Approval Order") approving an agreement of purchase and sale (the "Stalking Horse Purchase Agreement") between the Catalyst Entities and an entity established by the Required Noteholders (the "Stalking Horse Bidder"), to submit a bid to acquire substantially all of the assets of the Catalyst Entities on behalf of the Holders of the Senior Secured Notes (the "Stalking Horse Bid"), a sale and investor solicitation process (the "SISP") and the SISP procedures set forth herein (these "SISP Procedures").

The SISP Approval Order, the SISP and these SISP Procedures shall exclusively govern the process for soliciting and selecting bids for the sale of all, substantially all, or one or more Parcels of the Catalyst Property and Catalyst Business or for the restructuring, recapitalization or refinancing of the Catalyst Entities and the Catalyst Business.

All dollar amounts expressed herein, unless otherwise noted, are in United States currency. Unless otherwise indicated herein any event that occurs on a day that is not a Business Day shall be deemed to occur on the next Business Day.

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Defined Terms

All capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the SISP Approval Order. In addition, in these SISP Procedures:

- "Auction" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (35);
- "Auction Bidders" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (35)(a);
- "Backup Bid" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (39);
- "Backup Bid Expiration Date" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (41);
- "Backup Bidder" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (39);
- "Business Day" means any day other than (i) a Saturday or Sunday or (ii) a day which is a statutory holiday in either Vancouver, British Columbia or New York City, New York;
- "Canadian Approval Hearing" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (43);
- "Canadian Catalyst Assets" means the property, assets and undertaking of CPC, Catalyst Pulp Operations Limited, Catalyst Pulp Sales Inc., Pacifica Poplars Ltd., Catalyst Pulp and Paper Sales Inc., Elk Falls Pulp and Paper Limited, Catalyst Paper Energy Holdings Inc. and 0606890 B.C. Ltd.:

- "Canadian Court" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;
- "Catalyst Business" means the business carried on by the Catalyst Entities and non-debtor subsidiaries of CPC;
- "Catalyst Entities" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;
- "Catalyst Property" means the property, assets and undertaking of the Catalyst Entities or any part thereof;
- "CCAA" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;
- "CCAA Plan" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (4);
- "Claims and Interests" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (6);
- "Collateral Trustee" means Computershare Trust Company of Canada, as collateral trustee, under the Senior Secured Note Indentures and any successor trustee thereunder:
- "Confidentiality Agreement" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (9);
- "Courts" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;

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- "CPC" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;
- "Definitive Investment Agreement" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (27)(a);
- "**Deposit**" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (26)(k);
- "DIP Claims Amount" means the aggregate amount due or accruing due (whether for principal, interest (including default interest), indemnification payments, premiums, charges, fees, costs (including the fees and expenses of legal counsel and other advisors) or otherwise whether ascertained or contingent) to the DIP Lenders pursuant to the DIP Credit Agreement;
- "DIP Credit Agreement" means the debtor-in-possession credit and security agreement among JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., the guarantors thereunder, and the DIP Lenders dated as of January 31, 2011, as amended, restated or supplemented from time to time;
- "DIP Lenders" means JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., in its capacity as administrative agent, and in its capacity as lender, and such other lenders as may be party to the DIP Credit Agreement from time to time;
- "Financial Advisor" means Perella Weinberg Partners, solely in its capacity as financial advisor to the Catalyst Entities;
- "Holders" means the Holders (as that term is defined in the Senior Secured Note Indentures) from time to time under the Senior Secured Notes;
- "Initial Order" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;
- "Initial Supporting Noteholders" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Restructuring Support Agreement;
- "Investment Proposal" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (20)(a);
- "Known Potential Bidders" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (7);
- "Leading Bid" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (35)(i);
- "Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Restructuring Support Agreement;
- "Minimum Incremental Overbid" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (35)(i);

"Monitor" means PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc., in its capacity as Monitor of the Catalyst Entities pursuant to the Initial Order; "Non-Binding Indication of Interest" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (18); "Notice Parties" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (49); -4-"Parcels" means any one or more of: (i) the Catalyst Property associated with the Crofton Mill, located in British Columbia; (ii) the Catalyst Property associated with the Port Alberni Mill, located in British Columbia; (iii) the Catalyst Property associated with the Powell River Mill, located in British Columbia; (iv) the Catalyst Property associated with the Snowflake Mill, located in Snowflake, Arizona; or (v) the Catalyst Property associated with the Elk Falls Pulp and Paper Mill, located near Campbell River, British Columbia; "Parcels Sale Proposal" means a Sale Proposal for one or more Parcels; "Petitioners" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above; "Phase 1 Bid Deadline" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (19); "Phase 2 Bid Deadline" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (25); "Plan Vote Failure" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the Restructuring Support Agreement; "Potential Bidder" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (10); "Potential Bidder Deadline" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (10); "Purchase Price" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (26)(b); "Qualified Bidder" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (28); "Qualified Bids" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (28); "Qualified Investment Bid" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (27); "Qualified Non-Binding Indication of Interest" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (20); "Qualified Phase 1 Bidder" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (11); "Qualified Phase 2 Bidder" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (24); "Qualified Purchase Bid" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (26); "Required Noteholders" means the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Senior Secured Notes outstanding at such time; "Restructuring Support Agreement" means that certain Restructuring Support Agreement, dated as of March _____, 2012, by and among the Catalyst Entities and certain other signatories thereto; "Sale Proposal" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (20)(a);

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"Senior Secured Note Claims Amount" means the aggregate amount due or accruing due (whether for principal, interest (including default interest), indemnification payments, premiums, charges, fees, costs (including the fees and expenses of legal counsel and other advisors) or otherwise whether ascertained or contingent) to the Collateral Trustee, Trustee and the Holders under the Senior Secured Note Indentures as at the closing date of the Successful Bid;

"Senior Secured Note Indentures" means the indentures governing the Senior Secured Notes;

"Senior Secured Notes" means (i) the 11% Senior Secured Notes due December 15, 2016 issued by CPC pursuant to that certain Indenture, dated as of March 10, 2010, by and among CPC, as issuer, certain of its affiliates, as guarantors, the Trustee and the Collateral Trustee; and (ii) the Class B 11% Senior Secured Notes due December 15, 2016 issued by CPC pursuant to that certain Indenture, dated as of May 19, 2010, by and among CPC, as issuer, certain of its affiliates, as guarantors, the Trustee and the Collateral Trustee;

"Senior Secured Notes Excluded Assets" means those assets of the Catalyst Entities forming part of the Catalyst Property which are not charged by the security granted to the Collateral Trustee by the Catalyst Entities to secure the obligations and liabilities owing in respect of the Senior Secured Note Indentures and Senior Secured Notes, namely, the "Excluded Assets" as defined in the Senior Secured Note Indentures, as described in Schedule "B" hereto;

"SISP" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;

"SISP Approval Order" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;

"SISP Procedures" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;

"Solicitation Process" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (2);

"Stalking Horse Bid" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;

"Stalking Horse Bidder" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;

"Stalking Horse Purchase Agreement" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above;

"Starting Bid" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (35)(b);

"Steering Committee" means a committee represented by Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP and Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP comprised of certain of the Holders of the Senior Secured Notes representing the Required Noteholders;

"Subsequent Bid" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (35)(i);

"Successful Bid" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (39);

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"Successful Bidder" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (39);

"Superior Alternative Offer" means one or more credible, reasonably certain and financially viable Qualified Bids that do not, individually or in the aggregate, constitute a Superior Cash Offer but are approved by the Required Noteholders;

"Superior Cash Offer" means one or more credible, reasonably certain and financially viable Qualified Bids that, individually or in the aggregate, would result in a cash distribution to the Holders of an amount exceeding the Stalking Horse Bid amount, including any Subsequent Bid by the Stalking Horse Bidder, on closing of the transaction contemplated by the Qualified Bid, which Qualified Bid also shall provide consideration sufficient to pay in full in cash on closing, or through the assumption of liabilities, (a) any claims ranking senior in priority to the Senior Secured Notes that are or would be payable in the CCAA proceedings or Chapter 15 proceedings with respect to the Catalyst Entities or Catalyst Property subject to the Qualified Bid, including the DIP Claims Amount, any other claims secured by the court ordered charges granted in the Initial Order or any other order of the Canadian Court in the CCAA proceedings and any claims in respect of assets of the Catalyst Entities to be acquired under

the Qualified Bid that are Senior Secured Notes Excluded Assets; and (b) any amounts payable which are determined to have been incurred by the Catalyst Entities entirely (x) after the date of the Initial Order and before the closing of a transaction hereunder; and (y) in compliance with the Initial Order and other Orders made by the Canadian Court in the CCAA proceedings with respect to the Catalyst Entities;

- "Superior Offer" means either a Superior Cash Offer or a Superior Alternative Offer;
- "Teaser Letter" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (7);
- "Trustee" means Wilmington Trust FSB, as trustee, under the Senior Secured Note Indentures and any successor trustee thereunder;
- "U.S. Approval Hearing" has the meaning ascribed thereto in section (44);
- "U.S. Bankruptcy Court" has the meaning ascribed thereto in the recitals above; and
- "U.S. Catalyst Assets" means the property, assets and undertaking of Catalyst Paper Recycling Inc., Catalyst Paper (Snowflake) Inc., Catalyst Paper Holdings Inc., Pacifica Papers U.S. Inc., Pacifica Papers Inc., Pacifica Papers Sales Inc., Catalyst Paper (USA) Inc. and The Apache Railway Company.

"Stalking Horse"

(1) Pursuant to the SISP Approval Order, the Stalking Horse Bidder has been designated as such by the Catalyst Entities.

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Solicitation Process

- (2) These SISP Procedures describe, among other things, the Catalyst Property available for sale, the opportunity for an investment in the Catalyst Entities, the manner in which prospective bidders may gain access to or continue to have access to due diligence materials concerning the Catalyst Entities, the Catalyst Property, and the Catalyst Business, the manner in which bidders and bids become Qualified Bidders and Qualified Bids, respectively, the receipt and negotiation of bids received, the ultimate selection of one or more Successful Bids, and the approval thereof by the Courts (collectively, the "Solicitation Process").
- (3) The Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and under the supervision of the Monitor, shall conduct these SISP Procedures and the Solicitation Process as outlined herein. Certain stages of the SISP Procedures may be conducted by the Catalyst Entities simultaneous to the preparation, solicitation or confirmation of a CCAA Plan by the Catalyst Entities. In addition, the closing of any sale may involve additional intermediate steps or transactions to facilitate consummation of such sale, including additional Court filings. In the event that there is a disagreement or clarification required as to the interpretation or application of the SISP or the responsibilities of the Monitor, the Financial Advisor or the Catalyst Entities hereunder, the Canadian Court will have the jurisdiction to hear such matter and provide advice and directions, upon application of the Monitor or the Catalyst Entities with a hearing on no less than 3 business days notice.

Sale and Investment Opportunity

(4) An investment in the Catalyst Entities may, at the option of a Successful Bidder, include one or more of the following: a restructuring, recapitalization or other form of reorganization of the business and affairs of some or all of the Catalyst Entities as a going concern, together with a plan of compromise or arrangement pursuant to the CCAA (a "CCAA Plan"), which compromises the Claims and Interests set out therein; or a sale of all, substantially all, or one or more Parcels of the Catalyst Property, including to a newly formed acquisition entity.

"As Is, Where Is"

(5) The sale of the Catalyst Property or Catalyst Business or investment in the Catalyst Entities will be on an "as is, where is" basis and without surviving representations, warranties, covenants or indemnities of any kind, nature, or description by the Monitor, the Catalyst Entities or any of their agents, estates, advisors, professionals or otherwise, except to the extent set forth in the relevant sale or investment agreement with the Successful Bidder.

Free Of Any And All Claims And Interests

(6) In the event of a sale, all of the rights, title and interests of the Catalyst Entities in and to the Catalyst Property to be acquired will be sold free and clear of all pledges, liens, security interests, encumbrances, claims, charges, options, and interests thereon and there against (collectively, the "Claims and Interests") pursuant to approval and vesting orders made by the Canadian Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, and/or free and clear of all Claims and Interests pursuant to section 363 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, as applicable. Contemporaneously with such approval and vesting orders being made, all such Claims and Interests shall attach to the net proceeds of the sale of such property (without prejudice to any claims or causes of action regarding the priority, validity or enforceability thereof), except to the extent otherwise set forth in the relevant sale agreement with a Successful Bidder.

Solicitation of Interest

- (7) As soon as reasonably practicable after the granting of the SISP Approval Order, the Catalyst Entities, in conjunction with its advisors, including the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, will prepare a list of potential bidders (the "Known Potential Bidders") for the Catalyst Business and Catalyst Property or an investment in the Catalyst Entities. Such list will include both strategic and financial parties who, in the Financial Advisor's reasonable business judgment, may be interested in acquiring the Catalyst Business and Catalyst Property or in making an investment in the Catalyst Entities. Concurrently, the Catalyst Entities and the Financial Advisor will prepare an initial offering summary (the "Teaser Letter") notifying Known Potential Bidders of the existence of the Solicitation Process and inviting the Known Potential Bidders to express their interest in making an offer to acquire all, substantially all, or one or more Parcels of the Catalyst Property and the Catalyst Business, or to invest in the Catalyst Entities.
- (8) As soon as reasonably practicable after the Plan Vote Failure and in any event no later than five (5) Business Days after the Plan Vote Failure, the Catalyst Entities shall cause a notice of the SISP contemplated by these SISP Procedures and such other relevant information which the Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, considers appropriate to be published in *The Globe & Mail (National Edition)* and *The Wall Street Journal (National Edition)*. At the same time, the Catalyst Entities, following consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, shall issue a press release providing the above notice and such other relevant information, with Canada Newswire and a United States equivalent newswire designating dissemination in Canada and major financial centers in the United States, Europe and Asia Pacific.
- (9) As soon as reasonably practicable after the Plan Vote Failure and in any event no later than two (2) Business Days after the Plan Vote Failure, the Financial Advisor shall distribute to the Known Potential Bidders the Teaser Letter, as well as a draft form of confidentiality agreement (the "Confidentiality Agreement") that is satisfactory to the Catalyst Entities, its advisors and the Monitor, and which shall inure to the benefit of any purchaser of the Catalyst Business and Catalyst Property or investor in the Catalyst Entities pursuant to the SISP.

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Participation Requirements

- (10) Unless otherwise ordered by the Canadian Court, in order to participate in the Solicitation Process, an interested party (a "**Potential Bidder**") must deliver the following to the Notice Parties so as to be received by the Notice Parties not later than 5:00 p.m. (Vancouver time) on ?, 2012 (being 14 days after a Plan Vote Failure), or such other date or time as the Catalyst Entities in consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, and with the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders may determine appropriate (the "**Potential Bidder Deadline**"):
 - (a) an executed Confidentiality Agreement, in form and substance satisfactory to the Catalyst Entities and the Monitor, which shall inure to the benefit of any purchaser of the Catalyst Property or Catalyst Business or any investor in the Catalyst Entities;
 - (b) a specific indication of the anticipated sources of capital for such Potential Bidder and preliminary evidence of the availability of such capital, or such other form of financial disclosure and credit support or enhancement that will allow the Catalyst Entities, the Monitor and the Financial Advisor and each of their respective legal and financial advisors, to make, in their reasonable business or professional judgment, a reasonable determination as to the Potential Bidder's financial and other capabilities to consummate an acquisition of the Catalyst Business or Catalyst Property or an investment in the Catalyst Entities;

- (c) a letter setting forth the identity of the Potential Bidder, the contact information for such Potential Bidder and full disclosure of the direct and indirect owners of the Potential Bidder and their principals; and
- (d) an executed letter acknowledging receipt of a copy of the SISP Approval Order (including these SISP Procedures) and agreeing to accept and be bound by the provisions contained therein.
- (11) A Potential Bidder will be deemed a "Qualified Phase 1 Bidder" if: (i) such Potential Bidder has satisfied all of the requirements described in section (10) above; and (ii) such Potential Bidder's financial information and credit support or enhancement demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Catalyst Entities, in their reasonable business judgment and after consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, the financial capability of such Potential Bidder to consummate a transaction and that such Potential Bidder is likely (based on availability of financing, experience and other considerations) to consummate an acquisition of the Catalyst Business or Catalyst Property or an investment in the Catalyst Entities.

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- (12) The determination as to whether a Potential Bidder is a Qualified Phase 1 Bidder will be made as promptly as practicable but no later than five (5) Business Days after a Potential Bidder delivers all of the materials required above. If it is determined that a Potential Bidder is a Qualified Phase 1 Bidder, the Financial Advisor will promptly notify the Potential Bidder that it is a Qualified Phase 1 Bidder.
- (13) If the Catalyst Entities, in accordance with section (11) above, determine that (a) there are no Qualified Phase 1 Bidders, or (b) proceeding with these SISP Procedures is not in the best interests of the Catalyst Entities or their stakeholders, the Catalyst Entities shall (i) forthwith terminate these SISP Procedures, (ii) notify each Qualified Phase 1 Bidder (if any) that these SISP Procedures have been terminated, and (iii) within three (3) Business Days of such termination, file an application with the Canadian Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court seeking approval, after notice and hearings, to implement the Stalking Horse Purchase Agreement. If the Catalyst Entities do not timely seek such approval, the Steering Committee, on behalf of the Required Noteholders, may apply to the Canadian Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for such approval.

Due Diligence

- (14) The Financial Advisor will provide a confidential information memorandum describing the opportunity to acquire all, substantially all, or one or more Parcels of the Catalyst Property and the Catalyst Business or to invest in the Catalyst Entities to each Qualified Phase 1 Bidder as soon as practicable after the determination that such party is a Qualified Phase 1 Bidder. A copy of the confidential information memorandum shall also be provided to the Steering Committee and the Initial Supporting Noteholders.
- (15) Each Qualified Phase 1 Bidder shall have such due diligence access to materials and information relating to the Catalyst Property and the Catalyst Business as the Catalyst Entities and the Financial Advisor, in their collective reasonable business judgment, in consultation with Monitor, deem appropriate.
- (16) At the discretion of the Catalyst Entities, due diligence access may include management presentations (as may be scheduled by the Catalyst Entities), access to physical and online data rooms, on-site inspections and such other matters as a Qualified Phase 1 Bidder or Qualified Phase 2 Bidder may reasonably request and as to which the Catalyst Entities, in their reasonable exercise of discretion, may agree. The Catalyst Entities shall not be obligated to furnish any due diligence information after the Phase 2 Bid Deadline.
- (17) The Catalyst Entities, the Financial Advisor and the Monitor are not responsible for, and will have no liability with respect to, any information obtained by any Known Potential Bidder, Potential Bidder or Qualified Bidder in connection with the Catalyst Business or Catalyst Property. The Catalyst Entities, the Financial Advisor and the Monitor and their respective advisors do not make any representations or warranties whatsoever as to the information or the materials provided, except, in the case of the Catalyst Entities, to the extent provided under any definitive sale or investment agreement executed and delivered by a Successful Bidder (or Backup Bidder, as the case may be) and the applicable Catalyst Entities.

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PHASE 1

Seeking Non-Binding Indications of Interest by Qualified Phase 1 Bidders

- (18) From the date of the SISP Approval Order until the Phase 1 Bid Deadline, the Catalyst Entities and the Financial Advisor (under the supervision of the Monitor and in accordance with the terms of the SISP Approval Order) will solicit non-binding indications of interest from Qualified Phase 1 Bidders to acquire all, substantially all, or one or more Parcels of the Catalyst Property and related Catalyst Business or to invest in the Catalyst Entities (each a "Non-Binding Indication of Interest").
- (19) In order to continue to participate in the Solicitation Process, a Qualified Phase 1 Bidder must deliver a Non-Binding Indication of Interest to the Notice Parties so as to be received by the Notice Parties not later than 5:00 p.m. (Vancouver time) on ●, 2012 (being 35 days after the Potential Bidder Deadline) (the "Phase 1 Bid Deadline").

Non-Binding Indications of Interest by Qualified Phase 1 Bidders

- (20) A Non-Binding Indication of Interest will be considered a "Qualified Non-Binding Indication of Interest" only if it is submitted by a Qualified Phase 1 Bidder, received on or before the Phase 1 Bid Deadline, and contains the following information:
 - (a) An indication of whether the Qualified Phase 1 Bidder is offering to (i) acquire all, substantially all, or one or more Parcels of the Catalyst Property and related Catalyst Business (a "Sale Proposal"); or (ii) make an investment in the Catalyst Entities (an "Investment Proposal");
 - (b) In the case of a Sale Proposal, it shall identify (i) the purchase price range (including liabilities to be assumed by the Qualified Phase 1 Bidder); (ii) the Parcel(s) included (if the Sale Proposal is a Parcels Sale Proposal), any of the Catalyst Property expected to be excluded, and/or any additional assets desired to be included in the transaction; (iii) the structure and financing of the transaction (including, but not limited to, the sources of financing for the purchase price, preliminary evidence of the availability of such financing and the steps necessary and associated timing to obtain the financing and consummate the proposed transaction and any related contingencies, as applicable); (iv) the proposed treatment of employees of the Catalyst Entities; (v) any anticipated corporate, shareholder, internal or regulatory approvals required to close the transaction and the anticipated time frame and any anticipated impediments for obtaining such approvals; (vi) additional due diligence required or desired to be conducted prior to the Phase 2 Bid Deadline, if any; (vii) any conditions to closing that the Qualified Phase 1 Bidder may wish to impose; and (viii) any other terms or conditions of the Sale Proposal which the Qualified Phase 1 Bidder believes are material to the transaction;

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- (c) In the case of an Investment Proposal, it shall identify: (i) the aggregate amount of the equity and debt investment (including, the sources of such capital, preliminary evidence of the availability of such capital and the steps necessary and associated timing to obtain the capital and consummate the proposed transaction and any related contingencies, as applicable) to be made in the Catalyst Business; (ii) the underlying assumptions regarding the pro forma capital structure (including, the anticipated debt levels, debt service fees, interest and amortization); (iii) the consideration to be allocated to the stakeholders including claims of any secured or unsecured creditors of the Catalyst Entities and the proposed treatment of employees; (iv) the structure and financing of the transaction including all requisite financial assurance; (v) any anticipated corporate, shareholder, internal or regulatory approvals required to close the transaction, the anticipated time frame and any anticipated impediments for obtaining such approvals; (vi) additional due diligence required or desired to be conducted prior to the Phase 2 Bid Deadline, if any; (vii) any conditions to closing that the Qualified Phase 1 Bidder may wish to impose; and (viii) any other terms or conditions of the Investment Proposal which the Qualified Phase 1 Bidder believes are material to the transaction; and
- (d) Such other information reasonably requested
- (21) Notwithstanding section (20) hereof, the Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and Monitor, may waive compliance with any one or more of the requirements specified herein and deem any non-compliant Non-Binding Indication of Interest to be a Qualified Non-Binding Indication of Interest.

Assessment of Qualified Non-Binding Indications of Interest

(22) The Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor, the Monitor and the Required Noteholders, will assess any Qualified Non-Binding Indications of Interest received, and will determine (A) whether there is a reasonable prospect that the Catalyst Entities will receive either

(a) one or more Superior Cash Offers, or (b) one or more Superior Alternative Offers that could generate value in excess of the Stalking Horse Bid, that is/are likely to be consummated, and (B) whether proceeding with these SISP Procedures is in the best interests of the Catalyst Entities and its stakeholders. Such assessment will be made as promptly as practicable but no later than five (5) Business Days after the Phase 1 Bid Deadline.

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(23) If the Catalyst Entities, in accordance with section (22) above, determine that (a) no Qualified Non-Binding Indication of Interest was received, (b) at least one Qualified Non-Binding Indication of Interest was received but there is no reasonable prospect that any such Qualified Non-Binding Indication of Interests will, individually or in the aggregate, result in one or more Superior Offer(s) that is/are likely to be consummated, or (c) proceeding with these SISP Procedures is not in the best interests of the Catalyst Entities or their stakeholders, the Catalyst Entities shall (i) forthwith terminate these SISP Procedures, (ii) notify each Qualified Phase 1 Bidder (if any) that these SISP Procedures have been terminated, and (iii) within three (3) Business Days of such termination, file an application with the Canadian Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court seeking approval, after notice and hearings, to implement the Stalking Horse Purchase Agreement. If the Catalyst Entities do not timely seek such approval, the Steering Committee on behalf of the Required Noteholders, may apply to the Canadian Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for such approval.

(24) If the Catalyst Entities, in accordance with section (22) above, determine that (a) one or more Qualified Non-Binding Indications of Interest were received, (b) there is a reasonable prospect that one or more of such Qualified Non-Binding Indications of Interest will, individually or in the aggregate, result in one or more Superior Offer(s) that is/are likely to be consummated, and (c) proceeding with these SISP Procedures is in the best interests of the Catalyst Entities and their stakeholders, these SISP Procedures will continue and each Qualified Phase 1 Bidder who has submitted a Qualified Non-Binding Indication of Interest that has determined to likely be consummated, shall be deemed to be a "Qualified Phase 2 Bidder".

PHASE 2

Seeking Qualified Bids by Qualified Phase 2 Bidders

(25) In order to continue to participate in the Solicitation Process, a Qualified Phase 2 Bidder must deliver a Qualified Purchase Bid or Qualified Investment Bid to the Notice Parties so as to be received by the Notice Parties not later than 5:00 p.m. (Vancouver time) on ●, 2012 (being 21 days from Phase 1 Bid Deadline) (the "Phase 2 Bid Deadline").

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A. Qualified Purchase Bids

- (26) A Sale Proposal submitted by a Qualified Phase 2 Bidder will be considered a "Qualified Purchase Bid" only if the Sale Proposal complies with all of the following:
 - (a) it includes a letter stating that the Sale Proposal is irrevocable until the earlier of (a) the approval by the Canadian Court and U.S. Bankruptcy Court of a Successful Bid, and (b) 45 days following the Phase 2 Bid Deadline; provided, however, that if such Sale Proposal is selected as the Successful Bid or the Backup Bid, it shall remain irrevocable until the closing of the Successful Bid or the Backup Bid, as the case may be;
 - (b) it includes a duly authorized and executed purchase and sale agreement, substantially in the form of the Stalking Horse Purchase Agreement, specifying the purchase price, expressed in U.S. dollars (the "Purchase Price"), together with all exhibits and schedules thereto, and such ancillary agreements as may be required by the Qualified Phase 2 Bidder with all exhibits and schedules thereto (or term sheets that describe the material terms and provisions of such ancillary agreements), as well as copies of such materials marked to show the amendments and modifications to the Stalking Horse Purchase Agreement and such ancillary agreements and the proposed orders to approve the sale by the Courts;

- (c) it includes a clear allocation of the Purchase Price among the U.S. Catalyst Assets and Canadian Catalyst Assets (if the Sale Proposal includes both U.S. Catalyst Assets and Canadian Catalyst Assets), and in each case, a clear allocation of the Purchase Price in respect of the Senior Secured Notes Excluded Assets (if the Sale Proposal includes any Senior Secured Notes Excluded Assets). A Sale Proposal (other than a Parcels Sale Proposal) that does not comply with the foregoing shall not, under any circumstances, constitute a Qualified Bid;
- (d) it does not include any request or entitlement to any break-fee, expense reimbursement or similar type of payment. Further, by submitting a Sale Proposal, a Qualified Phase 2 Bidder shall be deemed to waive its right to pursue a substantial contribution claim under section 503 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any way related to the submissions of its Sale Proposal or these SISP Procedures;
- (e) it includes written evidence of a firm, irrevocable commitment for all required funding and/or financing from a creditworthy bank or financial institution to consummate the proposed transaction, or other evidence satisfactory to the Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, to allow the Catalyst Entities to make a reasonable determination as to the bidder's (and its direct and indirect owners and their principals) financial and other capabilities to consummate the transaction contemplated by the Sale Proposal;
- (f) it is not conditioned on (i) the outcome of unperformed due diligence by the bidder and/or (ii) obtaining any financing capital and includes an acknowledgement and representation that the bidder has had an opportunity to conduct any and all required due diligence prior to making its Sale Proposal;

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- (g) it fully discloses the identity of each entity that is bidding or otherwise that will be sponsoring or participating in the Sale Proposal, including the identification of the bidder's direct and indirect owners and their principals, and the complete terms of any such participation;
- (h) it includes an acknowledgement and representation that the bidder will assume the obligations of the Catalyst Entities under the executory contracts and unexpired leases proposed to be assigned and, to the extent applicable, in compliance with section 365 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (or identifies with particularity which of such contracts and leases the bidder wishes not to assume, or alternatively which additional executory contracts or unexpired leases the bidder wishes to assume), contains full details of the bidder's proposal for the treatment of related cure costs; and it identifies with particularity any executory contract or unexpired leases the assumption and assignment of which is a condition to closing;
- (i) it includes an acknowledgement and representation that the bidder: (i) has relied solely upon its own independent review, investigation and/or inspection of any documents and/or the assets to be acquired and liabilities to be assumed in making its Sale Proposal; (ii) did not rely upon any written or oral statements, representations, promises, warranties or guaranties whatsoever, whether express or implied (by operation of law or otherwise), regarding the assets to be acquired or liabilities to be assumed or the completeness of any information provided in connection therewith, including by the Catalyst Entities, the Financial Advisor or the Monitor, or any of their respective advisors, except as expressly stated in the purchase and sale agreement submitted by it; (iii) is a sophisticated party capable of making its own assessments in respect of making its Sale Proposal; and (iv) has had the benefit of independent legal advice in connection with its Sale Proposal;
- (j) it includes evidence, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Catalyst Entities, of authorization and approval from the bidder's board of directors (or comparable governing body) with respect to the submission, execution, delivery and closing of the transaction contemplated by the Sale Proposal;
- (k) it is accompanied by a refundable deposit (the "**Deposit**") in the form of a wire transfer (to a trust account specified by the Monitor), or such other form acceptable to the Monitor, payable to the order of PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc., Monitor, in trust, in an amount equal to (i) ten percent (10%) of the cash component of the Purchase Price of a Parcels Sale Proposal; or (ii) if it is not a Parcels Sale Proposal, five percent (5%) of the cash component of the Purchase Price; to be held and dealt with in accordance with these SISP Procedures;

- (l) it (i) contains full details of the proposed number of employees of the Catalyst Entities who will become employees of the bidder and the proposed terms and conditions of employment to be offered to those employees, and (ii) identifies any pension liabilities and assets related to any employees currently covered under any registered pension or retirement income plan who will become employees of the bidder that the bidder intends to assume or purchase;
- (m) if the Qualified Phase 2 Bidder is an entity newly formed for the purpose of the transaction, the bid shall contain an equity or debt commitment letter from the parent entity or sponsor, which is satisfactory to the Catalyst Entities, that names the Catalyst Entities as third party beneficiaries of any such commitment letter with recourse against such parent entity or sponsor;
- (n) it includes evidence, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Catalyst Entities, of compliance or anticipated compliance with any and all applicable Canadian and U.S. regulatory approvals (including, if applicable, anti-trust regulatory approval), the anticipated time frame for such compliance and any anticipated impediments for obtaining such approvals;
- (o) it includes evidence of the bidder's ability to comply with Section 11.3 of the CCAA and section 365 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (to the extent applicable), which includes providing adequate assurance of the bidder's ability to perform the contracts and leases proposed in its Sale Proposal to be assumed by the bidder, in a form that will permit the immediate dissemination of such evidence to the counterparties to such contracts and leases;
- (p) it contains other information reasonably requested by the Catalyst Entities or the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor:
- (q) it is received by no later than the Phase 2 Bid Deadline; and
- (r) is determined by the Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor, the Monitor and the Required Noteholders (as applicable), to be (individually or in the aggregate with other Qualified Purchase Bids) a Superior Offer.

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B. Qualified Investment Bids

(27) An Investment Proposal submitted by a Qualified Phase 2 Bidder will be considered a "Qualified Investment Bid" only if the Investment Proposal complies with all of the following:

- (a) it includes duly authorized and executed binding definitive documentation setting out the terms and conditions of the proposed transaction, including the aggregate amount of the proposed equity and debt investment and details regarding the proposed equity and debt structure of the Catalyst Entities following completion of the proposed transaction (a "**Definitive Investment Agreement**");
- (b) it includes a letter stating that the Investment Proposal is irrevocable until the earlier of (a) approval by the Courts of a Successful Bid, and (b) 45 days following the Phase 2 Bid Deadline; <u>provided, however,</u> that if such Investment Proposal is selected as the Successful Bid or Backup Bid, it shall remain irrevocable until the earlier of (i) the closing of the Successful Bid or the Backup Bid, as the case may be, and (ii) the outside date stipulated in the Successful Bid or the Backup Bid, as applicable;
- (c) it does not include any request or entitlement to any break-fee, expense reimbursement or similar type of payment. Further, by submitting an Investment Proposal, the Qualified Phase 2 Bidder shall be deemed to waive its right to pursue a substantial

contribution claim under section 503 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or in any way related to the submissions of its Investment Proposal or these SISP Procedures;

- (d) it includes written evidence of a firm, irrevocable commitment for all required funding and/or financing from a creditworthy bank or financial institution to consummate the proposed transaction, or other evidence satisfactory to the Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and Monitor, to allow the Catalyst Entities to make a reasonable determination as to the bidder's financial and other capabilities to consummate the transaction contemplated by the Investment Proposal;
- (e) it is not conditioned on (i) the outcome of unperformed due diligence by the bidder and/or (ii) obtaining any financing capital and includes an acknowledgement and representation that the bidder has had an opportunity to conduct any and all required due diligence prior to making its bid;
- (f) it fully discloses the identity of each entity that is bidding or otherwise that will be sponsoring or participating in the Investment Proposal, including the identification of the bidder's direct and indirect owners and their principals, and the complete terms of any such participation;

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- (g) it includes an acknowledgement and representation that the bidder: (i) has relied solely upon its own independent review, investigation and/or inspection of any documents in making its Investment Proposal; (ii) did not rely upon any written or oral statements, representations, promises, warranties or guaranties whatsoever, whether express or implied (by operation of law or otherwise), regarding the business of the Catalyst Entities, the Financial Advisor or the Monitor, or any of their respective advisors, or the completeness of any information provided in connection therewith except as expressly stated in the Definitive Investment Agreement; (iii) is a sophisticated party capable of making its own assessments in respect of making its Investment Proposal; and (iv) has had the benefit of independent legal advice in connection with its Investment Proposal;
- (h) it includes evidence, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Catalyst Entities, of authorization and approval from the bidder's board of directors (or comparable governing body) with respect to the submission, execution, delivery and closing of the transaction contemplated by the Investment Proposal;
- (i) it is accompanied by a Deposit in the form of a wire transfer (to a trust account specified by the Monitor), or such other form acceptable to the Monitor, payable to the order of PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc., Monitor, in trust, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total investment to be held and dealt with in accordance with these SISP Procedures;
- (j) if the Qualified Phase 2 Bidder is an entity newly formed for the purpose of the transaction, the Investment Proposal shall contain an equity or debt commitment letter from the parent entity or sponsor, and satisfactory to the Catalyst Entities, that names the Catalyst Entities as third party beneficiaries of any such commitment letter with recourse against such parent entity or sponsor;
- (k) it includes evidence, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Catalyst Entities, of compliance or anticipated compliance with any and all applicable Canadian and U.S. regulatory approvals (including, if applicable, anti-trust regulatory approval), the anticipated time frame for such compliance and any anticipated impediments for obtaining such approvals;
- (l) it contains other information reasonably requested by the Catalyst Entities or the Financial Advisor, in consultation with the Monitor;
- (m) it is received by no later than the Phase 2 Bid Deadline; and
- (n) is determined by the Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor, the Monitor and the Required Noteholders (as applicable), to be a Superior Offer.

- (28) Qualified Purchase Bids and Qualified Investment Bids shall hereinafter be referred to as "Qualified Bids" and each a "Qualified Bid shall hereinafter be referred to as a "Qualified Bidder". The Stalking Horse Bid shall be deemed to be a Qualified Bid and the Stalking Horse Bidder shall be deemed to be a Qualified Bidder for all purposes of these SISP Procedures including for the purposes of the Auction. A combination of Parcels Sale Proposals shall be considered a Qualified Bid if, in the aggregate, they constitute a Superior Offer.
- (29) Notwithstanding sections (26) and (27) hereof, the Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, may waive compliance with any one or more of the Qualified Bid requirements specified herein, and deem such non-compliant bids to be Qualified Purchase Bids or Qualified Investment Bids, as the case may be; <u>provided, however</u>, that any non-compliance with the requirements set out in sections (26)(b), (26)(e), (26)(f) and (26)(r) hereof, can only be waived by the Catalyst Entities without the consent of the Required Noteholders if such non-compliance is cured within two (2) Business Days after the Phase 2 Bid Deadline.

Stalking Horse Bid

- (30) No deposit is required in connection with the Stalking Horse Bid.
- (31) The purchase price for the Catalyst Property and Catalyst Business under the Stalking Horse Bid includes: (i) a non-cash credit bid in the amount specified in the Stalking Horse Bid resulting in that portion of the Senior Secured Note Claims Amount being satisfied in exchange for the acquisition of such property and business on behalf of the Holders; and (ii) consideration in an amount sufficient to (a) pay in full in cash on closing, or through the assumption of liabilities, any claims ranking senior in priority to the Senior Secured Notes that are or would be payable in the CCAA proceedings or Chapter 15 proceedings with respect to the Catalyst Entities or Catalyst Property subject to the Stalking Horse Bid, including the DIP Claims Amount and other claims secured by the court ordered charges granted in the Initial Order or any other order of the Canadian Court in the CCAA proceedings; (b) purchase any assets of the Catalyst Entities to be acquired under the Stalking Horse Bid that are Senior Secured Notes Excluded Assets; and (c) pay any amounts payable which are determined to have been incurred by the Catalyst Entities entirely (x) after the date of the Initial Order and before the closing of a transaction hereunder; and (y) in compliance with the Initial Order and other Orders made by the Canadian Court in the CCAA proceedings with respect to the Catalyst Entities; provided, however, that the cash component of the purchase price may be funded from cash of the Catalyst Entities available as at the time of closing of the Stalking Horse Bid that constitutes cash collateral of the Senior Secured Notes, to the extent such cash is not subject to any claims ranking senior in priority to the Senior Secured Notes that are not being satisfied in full on closing of the Stalking Horse Bid.

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No Qualified Bids

- (32) The Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, will assess the Qualified Bids received, if any, and will determine whether it is likely that the transactions contemplated by such Qualified Bids are likely to be consummated and whether proceeding with these SISP Procedures is in the best interests of the Catalyst Entities and their stakeholders. Such assessments will be made as promptly as practicable but no later than five (5) Business Days after the Phase 2 Bid Deadline.
- (33) If the Catalyst Entities, in accordance with section (32) above, determines that (a) no Qualified Bid was received, (b) at least one Qualified Bid was received but it is not likely that the transactions contemplated in any such Qualified Bids will be consummated, or (c) proceeding with these SISP Procedures is not in the best interests of the Catalyst Entities or their stakeholders; the Catalyst Entities shall (i) forthwith terminate these SISP Procedures, (ii) notify each Qualified Bidder (if any) that these SISP Procedures have been terminated, and (iii) within three (3) Business Days of such termination, file an application with the Canadian Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court seeking approval, after notice and hearings, to implement the Stalking Horse Purchase Agreement. If the Catalyst Entities do not timely seek such approval, the Steering Committee, on behalf of the Required Noteholders, may apply to the Canadian Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for such approval.
- (34) If the Catalyst Entities, in accordance with section (32) above, determine that (a) one or more Qualified Bids were received, (b) it is likely that the transactions contemplated by one or more of such Qualified Bids will be consummated, and (c) proceeding with these SISP Procedures is in the best interests of the Catalyst Entities and their stakeholders, these SISP Procedures will not be terminated, the Auction will be held, and the Financial Advisor will promptly notify all Qualified Bidders that they are entitled to participate in the Auction.

Auction

(35) If, in accordance with section (34) above, the Auction is to be held, the Catalyst Entities will conduct an auction (the "Auction"), at 9:30 a.m. (Vancouver time) on ●, 2012 (being three (3) Business Days after the Phase 2 Bid Deadline) at the offices of PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc., 250 Howe Street, Suite 700, Vancouver, British Columbia V6C 3S7, or such other location as shall be timely communicated to all entities entitled to attend at the Auction, which Auction may be adjourned by the Catalyst Entities, after consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor and with the consent of the Required Noteholders. The Auction shall run in accordance with the following procedures:

(a) at least three (3) Business Days prior to the Auction, each Qualified Bidder must inform the Financial Advisor whether it intends to participate in the Auction (the parties who so inform the Catalyst Entities, the "Auction Bidders");

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- (b) at least two (2) Business Days prior to the Auction, the Financial Advisor will provide copies of the Qualified Bid(s) which the Catalyst Entities (after consultation with the Financial Advisor and Monitor), believes is (individually or in the aggregate) the highest or otherwise best Qualified Bid(s) (the "Starting Bid") to all Auction Bidders;
- (c) only representatives of the Auction Bidders, the Catalyst Entities, the Financial Advisor, the Monitor, the Collateral Trustee, the Steering Group, the Initial Supporting Noteholders, and such other persons as permitted by the Catalyst Entities (and the advisors to each of the foregoing entities) are entitled to attend the Auction in person;
- (d) at the commencement of the Auction each Auction Bidder shall be required to confirm that it has not engaged in any collusion with any other Auction Bidder with respect to the bidding or any sale or investment;
- (e) only the Auction Bidders will be entitled to make any subsequent bids at the Auction; <u>provided, however</u>, that in the event that any Qualified Bidder elects not to attend and/or participate in the Auction, such Auction Bidder's Qualified Bid, as applicable, shall nevertheless remain fully enforceable against such Auction Bidder if it is selected as the Successful Bid or the Backup Bid at the conclusion of the Auction;
- (f) all Subsequent Bids presented during the Auction shall be made and received in one room on an open basis. All Auction Bidders will be entitled to be present for all Subsequent Bids at the Auction with the understanding that the true identity of each Auction Bidder at the Auction will be fully disclosed to all other Auction Bidders at the Auction and that all material terms of each Subsequent Bid will be fully disclosed to all other Auction Bidders throughout the entire Auction;
- (g) all Auction Bidders must have at least one individual representative with authority to bind such Auction Bidder present in person at the Auction:
- (h) the Catalyst Entities, after consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor and, if the Stalking Horse Bidder is not participating in the Auction, the Required Noteholders, may employ and announce at the Auction additional procedural rules that are reasonable under the circumstances (e.g., the amount of time allotted to make Subsequent Bids, requirements to bid in each round, and the ability of multiple Auction Bidders to combine to present a single bid) for conducting the Auction, provided that such rules are (i) not inconsistent with these SISP Procedures, general practice in CCAA proceedings, the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, or any order of the Courts made in the CCAA proceedings or Chapter 15 proceedings with respect to the Catalyst Entities, and (ii) disclosed to each Auction Bidder at the Auction;

- (i) bidding at the Auction will begin with the Starting Bid and continue, in one or more rounds of bidding, so long as during each round at least one subsequent bid is submitted by an Auction Bidder (a "Subsequent Bid") that the Catalyst Entities determine, after consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, is (A) for the first round, a higher or otherwise better offer than the Starting Bid, and (B) for subsequent rounds, a higher or otherwise better offer than the Leading Bid; in each case by at least the Minimum Incremental Overbid. Each bid at the Auction shall provide net value to the Catalyst Entities' estate of at least U.S. so million (the "Minimum Incremental Overbid") over the Starting Bid or the Leading Bid, as the case may be; provided. however, that the Catalyst Entities, after consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, shall retain the right to modify the increment requirements at the Auction, and provided, further that the Catalyst Entities, in determining the net value of any incremental bid to the Catalyst Entities' estate shall not be limited to evaluating the incremental dollar value of such bid and may consider other factors as identified in the "Selection Criteria" section of these SISP Procedures. All cash increments shall be allocated between the Canadian Catalyst Assets and U.S. Catalyst Assets in the same proportion as was allocated in the Starting Bid. After the first round of bidding and between each subsequent round of bidding, the Catalyst Entities shall, after consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, announce the bid (including the value and material terms thereof) that it believes to be the highest or otherwise best offer (the "Leading Bid"). A round of bidding will conclude after each Auction Bidder has had the opportunity to submit a Subsequent Bid with full knowledge of the Leading Bid;
- (j) to the extent not previously provided (which shall be determined by the Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor), an Auction Bidder submitting a Subsequent Bid must submit, as part of its Subsequent Bid, written evidence (in the form of financial disclosure or credit-quality support information or enhancement reasonably acceptable to the Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor), demonstrating such Auction Bidder's ability to close the transaction proposed by the Subsequent Bid. For greater certainty, if the Stalking Horse Bidder submits a Subsequent Bid, this paragraph shall only apply to the Stalking Horse Bidder if the cash portion of the Purchase Price in such Subsequent Bid is in excess of the cash portion of the Purchase Price in the Stalking Horse Bid;

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- (k) the Catalyst Entities reserve the right, in their reasonable business judgment after consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, to make one or more adjournments in the Auction of no more than 24 hours each, to among other things (i) facilitate discussions between the Catalyst Entities and the Auction Bidders; (ii) allow the individual Auction Bidders to consider how they wish to proceed; (iii) consider and determine the current highest and best offer at any given time in the Auction; and (iv) give Auction Bidders the opportunity to provide the Catalyst Entities with such additional evidence as the Catalyst Entities, in their reasonable business judgment, may require that the Auction Bidder (including, as may be applicable, the Stalking Horse Bidder) has sufficient internal resources, or has received sufficient non-contingent debt and/or equity funding commitments, to consummate the proposed transaction at the prevailing overbid amount;
- (1) the Stalking Horse Bidder shall be permitted, in its sole discretion, to submit Subsequent Bids, provided, however, that such Subsequent Bids are made in accordance with these SISP Procedures. No other creditor is entitled to credit bid, in whole or in part;
- (m) if, in any round of bidding, no new Subsequent Bid is made, the Auction shall be closed;
- (n) the Auction shall be closed within 5 Business Days of the start of the Auction unless extended by the Catalyst Entities with the consent of the Required Noteholders; and
- (o) no bids (from Qualified Bidders or otherwise) shall be considered after the conclusion of the Auction.

Selection Criteria

(36) In selecting the Starting Bid, each Leading Bid, the Successful Bid and the Backup Bid, the Catalyst Entities, in consultation with the Financial Advisor and the Monitor, will review each Qualified Bid, it being understood that as between a Superior Cash Offer and a Superior Alternative Offer, the Superior Cash Offer shall be deemed to be the highest and best offer, unless otherwise agreed to by the Catalyst Entities and the Financial Advisor, after consultation with the Monitor; provided however that in determining the highest and best offer among Qualified Bids,

a single Qualified Bid for all or substantially all of the Catalyst Property generally will be viewed as preferable to a combination of Qualified Bids consisting of multiple Parcels Sale Proposals notwithstanding the total consideration provided therein.

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- (37) Evaluation criteria with respect to a Sale Proposal may include, but are not limited to items such as: (a) the purchase price and the net value (including assumed liabilities and other obligations to be performed or assumed by the bidder) provided by such bid; (b) the claims likely to be created by such bid in relation to other bids; (c) the counterparties to the transaction; (d) the proposed revisions to the Stalking Horse Purchase Agreement and the terms of the transaction documents; (e) other factors affecting the speed, certainty and value of the transaction (including any regulatory approvals required to close the transaction); (f) the assets included or excluded from the bid and the transaction costs and risks associated with closing multiple transactions versus a single transaction for all or substantially all of the Catalyst Property; (g) the estimated number of employees of the Catalyst Entities that will be offered post closing employment by the bidder and any proposed measures associated with their continued employment; (h) the treatment of pension liabilities and assets related to any registered pension or retirement income plan of the Catalyst Entities; (i) the transition services required from the Catalyst Entities post-closing and any related restructuring costs; and (j) the likelihood and timing of consummating the transaction.
- (38) Evaluation criteria with respect to an Investment Proposal may include, but are not limited to items such as: (a) the amount of equity and debt investment and the proposed sources and uses of such capital; (b) the debt to equity structure post-closing; (c) the counterparties to the transaction; (d) the terms of the transaction documents; (e) other factors affecting the speed, certainty and value of the transaction; (f) planned treatment of stakeholders; and (g) the likelihood and timing of consummating the transaction.
- (39) Upon the conclusion of the bidding the Auction shall be closed, and the Catalyst Entities, after consultation with the Financial Advisor and Monitor, will identify the highest or otherwise best Qualified Bid received (such offer, the "Successful Bid") and the next highest or otherwise best Qualified Bid received (such offer, the "Backup Bid"). The Qualified Bidders(s) who made the Successful Bid is the "Successful Bidder" and the Qualified Bidder(s) who made the Backup Bid is the "Backup Bidder"). The Catalyst Entities will notify the Qualified Bidders of the identities of the Successful Bidder and the Backup Bidder. If the Stalking Horse Bidder's final Qualified Bid is deemed to be the highest and best at the conclusion of the Auction or the next highest and best offer at the conclusion of the Auction, the Stalking Horse Bidder's final Qualified Bid will be the Successful Bid or the Backup Bid, as the case may be.
- (40) The Catalyst Entities shall finalize a definitive agreement in respect of the Successful Bid and the Backup Bid, if any, conditional upon approval by the Canadian Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court.
- (41) The Backup Bid shall remain open until the consummation of the transaction contemplated by the Successful Bid (the "Backup Bid Expiration Date").
- (42) All Qualified Bids (other than the Successful Bid and the Backup Bid) shall be deemed rejected by the Catalyst Entities on and as of the later of the date of approval of the Successful Bid and Backup Bid by the Canadian Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

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Approval Hearings

- (43) Within three (3) Business Days of the conclusion of the Auction, the Catalyst Entities shall seek a hearing to be held on a date to be scheduled by the Canadian Court (the "Canadian Approval Hearing") to authorize the Catalyst Entities to enter into an agreement with respect to the Successful Bid, and in the event that the Successful Bid does not close for any reason, to enter into an agreement with respect to the Backup Bid. The Canadian Approval Hearing may be adjourned or rescheduled by the Catalyst Entities, after consultation with the Monitor and the Initial Supporting Noteholders and with the consent of the Steering Committee, without further notice, by an announcement of the adjourned date at the Canadian Approval Hearing.
- (44) As soon as reasonably practicable after entry of the SISP Approval Order by the Canadian Court and in any event no later than five (5) Business Days thereafter, the Catalyst Entities shall (a) seek a hearing to be held on a date scheduled by the U.S. Bankruptcy Court granting approval in the Chapter 15 proceeding of the SISP and the SISP Procedures and (b) seek a hearing to be held on a date scheduled by the U.S.

Bankruptcy Court (the "U.S. Approval Hearing") as soon as reasonably practicable after the conclusion of the Auction for authorization at the U.S. Approval Hearing to: (a) enter into an agreement with respect to the Stalking Horse Bid, or (b) enter into an agreement with respect to the Successful Bid, and in the event that the Successful Bid does not close for any reason, to enter into an agreement with respect to the Backup Bid. The U.S. Approval Hearing may be adjourned or rescheduled by the Catalyst Entities, after consultation with the Monitor and the Initial Supporting Noteholders and with the consent of the Steering Committee, without further notice, by an announcement of the adjourned date at the U.S. Approval Hearing. If practicable, the Catalyst Entities shall seek to have the Canadian Approval Hearing and the U.S. Approval Hearing conducted simultaneously on the same date by videoconference between the Courts in a manner such that both the Canadian Court and the U.S. Court shall be able to simultaneously hear and view the proceedings in the other court and otherwise in accordance with such guidelines as may be necessary to conduct such hearing.

(45) If following approval of the Successful Bid transaction by the Canadian Court and U.S. Bankruptcy Court, the Successful Bidder fails to consummate the transaction for any reason, then the Backup Bid, if there is one, will be deemed to be the Successful Bid hereunder and the Catalyst Entities shall effectuate a transaction with the Backup Bidder subject to the terms of the Backup Bid, without further order of the Canadian Court or the U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

Deposits

(46) All Deposits shall be retained by the Monitor and invested in an interest bearing trust account in a Schedule I Bank in Canada. If there is a Successful Bid, the Deposit (plus accrued interest) paid by the Successful Bidder whose bid is approved pursuant to the Approval Hearings shall be released by the Monitor to the Catalyst Entities and applied to the purchase price to be paid or investment amount to be made by the Successful Bidder upon closing of the Successful Bid. The Deposit (plus accrued interest) paid by the Backup Bidder shall be retained by the Monitor until the Backup Bid Expiration Date or, if the Backup Bid becomes the Successful Bid, shall be released by the Monitor to the Catalyst Entities and applied to the purchase price to be paid or investment amount to be made by the Backup Bidder upon closing of the Backup Bid. The Deposits (plus applicable interest) of all Phase 2 Bidders not selected as the Successful Bidder or Backup Bidder shall be returned to such bidders within five (5) Business Days of the later of the date upon which the Successful Bid and any Backup Bid is approved by the Canadian Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. If the Auction does not take place or these SISP Procedures are terminated in accordance with the provisions hereof, all Deposits shall be returned to the bidders within five (5) Business Days of the date upon which it is determined that the Auction will not take place or these SISP Procedures are terminated, as applicable.

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(47) If an entity selected as the Successful Bidder or Backup Bidder breaches its obligations to close subsequent to the Auction, it shall forfeit its Deposit to the Catalyst Entities; <u>provided, however</u>, that the forfeit of such Deposit shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other rights in law or equity that the Catalyst Entities has against such breaching entity.

Approvals

(48) For greater certainty, the approvals required pursuant to the terms hereof are in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other approvals required by the CCAA, the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or any other statute or are otherwise required at law in order to implement a Successful Bid or Backup Bid, as the case may be.

Notice Parties

Reservation of Rights

- (50) The Catalyst Entities, after consultation with their advisors: (a) may reject, at any time any bid (other than the Stalking Horse Bid) that is (i) inadequate or insufficient, (ii) not in conformity with the requirements of the CCAA, U.S. Bankruptcy Code, these SISP Procedures or any orders of the Court applicable to one or more the Catalyst Entities, or (iii) contrary to the best interests of the Catalyst Entities, their estates, and stakeholders as determined by the Catalyst Entities; (b) in accordance with the terms hereof, including section (53), may impose additional terms and conditions and otherwise seek to modify the SISP Procedures at any time in order to maximize the results obtained; (c) in accordance with the terms hereof, may accept bids not in conformity with these SISP Procedures to the extent that the Catalyst Entities determine, in their reasonable business judgment, that doing so would benefit the Catalyst Entities, their estates, and stakeholders; and (d) with the prior consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, extend the Potential Bidder Deadline, Phase 1 Bid Deadline, Phase 2 Bid Deadline and the date of the Auction, provided that the Phase 2 Bid Deadline shall not be extended beyond?, 2012 (being 24 days after the scheduled Phase 2 Bid Deadline, for a total of 45 days after the Phase 1 Bid Deadline); provided, however, that if the Stalking Horse Bidder submits the only Qualified Bid, the terms provided in clause (a) shall not be operative.
- (51) At or before the Approval Hearings, the Catalyst Entities may impose such other terms and conditions as the Catalyst Entities may determine to be in the best interests of their estates and their stakeholders that are not inconsistent with any of the procedures in these SISP Procedures.
- (52) These SISP Procedures do not, and shall not be interpreted to, create any contractual or other legal relationship between any Catalyst Entity and any Known Potential Bidder, Potential Bidder, Qualified Potential Bidder, Qualified Phase 1 Bidder, Qualified Phase 2 Bidder, Qualified Bidder, Auction Bidder, Successful Bidder or Backup Bidder, other than as specifically set forth in definitive agreements that may be executed by the Catalyst Entities.

No Amendment

(53) There shall be no amendments to this SISP, including, for greater certainty the process and procedures set out herein, without the prior written consent of the Monitor and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders unless otherwise ordered by the Canadian Court and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court upon application and appropriate notice.

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Further Orders

(54) At any time during these SISP Procedures, the Catalyst Entities may, following consultation with the Monitor, apply to the Canadian Court for advice and directions with respect to the discharge of its powers and duties hereunder.

Schedule "A"

LIST OF ADDITIONAL PETITIONERS

Catalyst Pulp Operations Limited
Catalyst Pulp Sales Inc.
Pacifica Poplars Ltd.
Catalyst Pulp and Paper Sales Inc.
Elk Falls Pulp and Paper Limited
Catalyst Paper Energy Holdings Inc.
0606890 B.C. Ltd.
Catalyst Paper Recycling Inc.
Catalyst Paper (Snowflake) Inc.

Catalyst Paper Holdings Inc.
Pacifica Papers U.S. Inc.
Pacifica Poplars Inc.
Pacifica Papers Sales Inc.
Catalyst Paper (USA) Inc.
The Apache Railway Company

Schedule "B"

SENIOR SECURED NOTES EXCLUDED ASSETS

Schedule "C"

ADDRESSES FOR NOTICE PARTIES

(a) To the Catalyst Entities at:

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Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP

Four Times Square New York, New York 10036

Attention: Email:

(b) To the Financial Advisor at:

Perella Weinberg Partners [Address]

Attention: Email:

(c) To the Monitor at:

PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc.

250 Howe Street, Suite 700 Vancouver, British Columbia V6C 3S7

Attention: Email:

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Fasken Martineau Dumoulin LLP

2900-550 Burrard Street Vancouver, BC V6C 0A3

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(d) To the Steering Committee at:

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77 King Street West Royal Trust Tower Toronto, ON M5 K0A1

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(e) To the Initial Supporting Noteholders at:

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EXHIBIT B

TERM SHEET

CATALYST PAPER CORP. RESTRUCTURING TERM SHEET

March 11, 2012

THE FOLLOWING SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL TERMS (THE "<u>TERM SHEET</u>") DESCRIBES A PROPOSED RESTRUCTURING FOR CATALYST PAPER CORPORATION AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES PURSUANT TO A PLAN (THE "<u>PLAN</u>") OF COMPROMISE AND ARRANGEMENT UNDER THE *COMPANIES*" CREDITORS ARRANGEMENT ACT (THE "<u>CCAA</u>").

THIS TERM SHEET IS NOT AN OFFER OR A SOLICITATION WITH RESPECT TO ANY SECURITIES OF CATALYST PAPER CORPORATION OR ITS SUBSIDIARIES. ANY SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION WILL BE MADE IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAW. THIS TERM SHEET REPRESENTS SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS AND IS SUBJECT TO FRE 408 AND OTHER APPLICABLE RULES OF EVIDENCE. ALL \$ TERMS HEREIN REFER TO USD UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, AND ASSUME A \$1 CAD TO \$1 USD EXCHANGE RATE.

SUMMARY OF CLASSIFICATION AND TREATMENT OF CLAIMS AND INTERESTS

Classified Claims and Interests

Revolving ABL Facility Claims

Estimated Aggregate Allowed Amount: TBD

Description: Revolving ABL Facility Claims shall consist of all outstanding obligations owed to the lenders under the Revolving ABL Facility.

Treatment: To the extent the Revolving ABL Facility is not refinanced prior to the Effective Date, each holder of an allowed Revolving ABL Facility Claim shall receive payment in full in cash.

First Lien Notes Claims

Estimated Aggregate Allowed Amount: \$280,434,000 on account of the Class A Notes and \$104,100,000 on account of the Class B Notes for an aggregate total of \$384,600,000¹ plus accrued and unpaid interest at the applicable contract rate as of the date the CCAA proceedings were commenced (the "Commencement Date").

Description: First Lien Notes Claims shall consist of all outstanding obligations owed to the holders of the First Lien Notes² including, without limitation, outstanding principal and accrued and unpaid interest thereon at the applicable contract rate.

Treatment: On or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the First Lien Notes shall be cancelled, and in full and final satisfaction thereof and in exchange therefor, each holder of a First Lien Notes Claim shall receive its pro rata share of (i) the New First Lien Notes in the principal amount of \$325,000,000\(^3\), (ii) 80\% \(^4\) of the New Common Stock (subject to dilution only from New Common Stock granted to holders of the Warrants, and any new management incentive plan approved by the new board of directors of reorganized CPC) on account of First

Lien Notes Claim in the principal amount of \$59,600,000, and (iii) the New First Lien Coupon Note in the principal amount equal to all accrued and unpaid interest as of the Effective Date, such interest calculated using the applicable interest rate under the indentures governing the First Lien Notes, which shall include, interest paid at the default rate as calculated thereunder.

Voting Status: Impaired/ Voting.

- ¹ Claim estimate assumes an Effective Date of January 15, 2012 and is subject to adjustment.
- ² The First Lien Notes are (i) the 11.00% Senior Secured Notes due 2016 (the "<u>Class A Notes</u>") and (ii) the Class B 11.00% Senior Secured Notes due 2016 (the "<u>Class B Notes</u>").
- ³ \$237,000,000 of the \$325,000,000 in New First Lien Notes shall be allocated pro rata to holders of Class A Notes, and \$88,000,000 of the \$325,000,000 in New First Lien Notes shall be allocated pro rata to holders of Class B Notes.
- 4 58.3464% of the New Common Stock shall be allocated pro rata to holders of Class A Notes, and 21.6536% of the New Common Stock shall be allocated pro rata to holders of Class B Notes.

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Unsecured Notes Claims

Estimated Aggregate Allowed Amount: \$250,000,000 plus accrued and unpaid interest at the applicable contract rate as of the Commencement Date.

Description: Unsecured Notes Claims shall consist of all outstanding obligations owed to the holders of the Unsecured Notes (the "<u>Unsecured Noteholders</u>") including, without limitation, for payment of principal, accrued and unpaid interest at the applicable contract rate. Unsecured Notes Claims shall be classified together with General Unsecured Claims for all purposes under the Plan.

Treatment: On or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the Unsecured Notes shall be cancelled and, in full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all allowed Unsecured Notes Claims, each holder of an Unsecured Notes Claim shall receive its pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Unsecured Notes Claims plus all allowed General Unsecured Claims) of 20% of the New Common Stock (subject to dilution only from New Common Stock granted to holders of the Warrants, and any new management incentive plan approved by the new board of directors of reorganized CPC) and the Warrants. In addition, the Company shall use reasonable efforts to seek a Meetings Order (as defined below) and a Sanction Order (as defined in the Support Agreement) which provide that, among other things, any holder of an Unsecured Notes Claim that does not vote in person or by proxy on the Plan shall be deemed to vote in favor of the resolution in support of the Plan, and such holder of an Unsecured Notes Claim shall receive its pro rata share of New Common Stock and Warrants allocable to holders of Unsecured Notes Claims.

General Unsecured Claims

Estimated Aggregate Allowed Amount: TBD

Description: General Unsecured Claims shall consist of all pre-Commencement Date unsecured non-priority claims against the Company (other than Unsecured Notes Claims) that have not been otherwise satisfied in accordance with paragraph 8 of the Amended and Restated Initial Order. General Unsecured Claims (including Convenience Claims, as defined below) shall be classified together with Unsecured Notes Claims for all purposes under the Plan.

Treatment: On or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, in full and final satisfaction of and in exchange for all allowed General Unsecured Claims, each holder of a General Unsecured Claim shall receive (x) its pro rata share (calculated by reference to the aggregate amount of all Unsecured Notes Claims *plus* all allowed General Unsecured Claims) of 20% of the New Common Stock (subject to dilution only from New Common Stock granted to holders of the Warrants, and any new management incentive plan approved by the new board of

directors of reorganized CPC) and the Warrants, or (y) solely to the extent that the General Unsecured Claim asserted by such holder does not exceed \$[TBD]\(\frac{a}{2}\), or such holder elects to value its General Unsecured Claim at \$[TBD] for distribution purposes, cash in an amount equal to [TBD]% of such holder's General Unsecured Claim² (such holders being "Convenience Creditors" and the claims of such holders being "Convenience Claims"); provided, however, that the aggregate amount of cash available to pay all Convenience Creditors shall not exceed \$2,500,000 (the "Maximum Convenience Claims Pool"); provided, further, however, that each holder of a General Unsecured Claim that does not exceed \$[TBD] may elect to receive their recovery in the form of New Common Stock and Warrants by indicating on the applicable ballot such holder's intent to opt out of Convenience Claim treatment and, to receive such treatment, such holder must vote in favor of the Plan. For purposes of clarity, to the extent that payments to Convenience Creditors would exceed the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool, Convenience Creditors shall receive their pro rata share of the Maximum Convenience Claims Pool and their pro rata share (based on the balance of their Convenience Claim) of New Common Stock and Warrants. Shares of New Common Stock that would otherwise have been allocable to Convenience Creditors shall not be issued under the Plan. In addition, the Company shall use reasonable efforts to seek a Meetings Order and a Sanction Order which provide that, among other things (i) any Convenience Creditor shall be deemed to vote in favor of the resolution in support of the Plan unless such Convenience Creditor votes against the Plan, and (ii) a holder of a General Unsecured Claim (other than a Convenience Creditor) that does not vote in person or by proxy on the Plan shall be deemed to vote in favor of the resolution in support of the Plan, and such holder of a General Unsecured Claim shall receive its pro rata share of New Common Stock and Warrants allocable to holders of General Unsecured Claims.

⁵ The Unsecured Notes are the 7.375% Senior Notes due 2014.

⁶ The size of those General Unsecured Claims eligible for Convenience Claims treatment and the recovery to be afforded Convenience Creditors shall be determined by the parties prior to the filing of the Plan.

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Equity Interests

Description: Equity Interests consist of all outstanding equity interests in CPC.

Treatment: Holders of Equity Interests shall not receive a recovery under the Plan. All existing equity interests in CPC, as well as options, warrants, rights or similar instruments derived from, relating to or convertible or exchangeable therefore, shall be cancelled and extinguished on the Effective Date.

FUNDING/PLAN SECURITIES

New ABL Facility

If necessary, the Company will use commercially reasonable best efforts to refinance the Company's DIP financing, and enter into a new ABL facility (the "New ABL Facility") on the Effective Date.

Exit Facility

To the extent necessary, there shall be an Exit Facility acceptable to the Initial Supporting Noteholders⁸, where each of the Initial Supporting Noteholders will have one vote and a majority of votes will govern (the "Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders"), in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders.⁹

- ² In the case of holders of General Unsecured Claims in excess of \$[TBD] that have elected to value their claims at \$[TBD] for purposes of distributions under the Plan, such claims will be valued in the amount of \$[TBD].
- ⁸ "Initial Supporting Noteholders" means all noteholders that have executed a Support Agreement (as distinct from a Joinder Agreement) as of the date of this Term Sheet.
- ² "Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders" means all holders of Unsecured Notes that have executed a Support Agreement (as distinct from a Joinder Agreement) as of the date of this Term Sheet with respect to their Unsecured Notes.

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New First Lien Notes

The New First Lien Notes shall have the following terms and conditions:

- *Principal*: \$325,000,000.
- *Security*: All collateral securing the First Lien Notes, plus Excluded Assets (as defined in the Indenture) as reasonably required by the holders of the New First Lien Notes where the consent of a third party is not required to charge such Excluded Assets.
- *Call Protection*: 103% from issuance of the New First Lien Notes through 12/15/2013; 100% thereafter.
- *Interest Rate*: 11% payable semi-annually in arrears in cash *or* 7.5% payable semi-annually in cash *plus* 5.5% payable semi-annually in-kind.
- *Final Maturity*: A date that is the earlier of (i) six (6) months after the end date of the new labor contracts and (ii) December 16, 2017 but the Final Maturity will never be earlier than December 16, 2016.

Other terms of the New First Lien Notes shall be as set forth in the Description of Notes to be agreed to by the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the Company.

New First Lien Coupon Note

The New First Lien Coupon Note shall have the following terms and conditions:

- · *Principal*: Equal to all accrued and unpaid interest as of the Effective Date, such interest calculated using the applicable interest rate under the indentures governing the First Lien Notes, which shall include, as of December 15, 2011, interest paid at the default rate.
- Security: All collateral securing the First Lien Notes, plus Excluded Assets (as defined in the indentures governing the First Lien Notes) as reasonably required by the holders of the New First Lien Notes where the consent of a third party is not required to charge such Excluded Assets.
- Interest Rate: None.
- Cash Flow Sweep: The New First Lien Coupon Note will have a quarterly cash flow sweep, subject to a minimum liquidity threshold of \$65 million as measured by a 30-day average prior to quarter end. Any amounts paid to holders of the New First Lien Coupon Note on account of such Note from the cash flow sweep or otherwise will be used to pay down principal amount of the New First Lien Coupon Note at par value.
- Final Maturity: A date that is the earlier of (i) six (6) months after the end date of the new

labor contracts and (ii) December 16, 2017 but the Final Maturity will never be earlier than December 16, 2016.

Other terms of the New First Lien Notes shall be as set forth in the Description of Notes to be agreed to by the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the Company.

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New Common Stock

On the Effective Date, reorganized CPC shall issue shares of New Common Stock in sufficient number to meet its obligations hereunder, which number shall be reasonably acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders. Reorganized CPC shall be a public company and, on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the New Common Stock and the Warrants shall be approved by the Toronto Stock Exchange or other securities exchange acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, subject only to standard listing conditions.

If the transactions hereunder shall result in any holder of First Lien Notes or any Unsecured Noteholder (collectively, the "Noteholders") becoming a "control person" under applicable Canadian securities laws, then such Noteholder(s) shall have the option to elect to receive a portion of the New Common Stock it would have been entitled to receive in the form of warrants (the "Exchange Warrants") immediately exercisable for no additional consideration to acquire New Common Stock in an amount equal to the New Common Stock it would otherwise be entitled to on the transactions hereunder. The Exchange Warrants shall have terms otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders in all respects.

On the Effective Date, reorganized CPC shall issue the following cashless Warrants to those Unsecured Noteholders and/or holders of General Unsecured Claims who are not Convenience Creditors:

• 15% Warrants: The 15% Warrants shall be cashless and will be issued to holders of Unsecured Notes Claims and/or General Unsecured Claims as provided above. The 15% Warrants shall be exercisable for 15% of the fully diluted New Common Stock as of the Effective Date at a strike price equal to the Company's plan equity value (equal to \$74,500,000) plus 50%. The 15% Warrants shall expire four years after the Effective Date.

Warrant Agreement

The Warrants shall be governed by a Warrant Agreement, the terms of which shall be reasonably acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders and the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders in all respects and which shall include the following:

Payment on a Sale Transaction or Other Change of Control Prior to Expiration: In the event that a sale transaction or other change of control involving the payment of cash consideration is consummated prior to the expiration of the Warrants and the value received by the Company on account of the New Common Stock exceeds the plan equity value (equal to \$74,500,000), then the consideration payable to holders of the Warrants shall be: (i) if such event takes place within the first two years, the Black-Scholes formula value of the Warrants, which valuation shall be performed by an independent third party; and (ii) if such event takes place after the first two years, the lesser of: (x) the Black-Scholes formula value of the Warrants, which valuation shall be performed by an independent third party and (y) the value received on account of the New Common Stock in excess of plan equity value (equal to \$74,500,000). For the avoidance of doubt, if such event occurs within the first two years for less than plan equity value, the consideration payable to Warrant holders shall be the Black-Scholes

Warrants

formula value of the Warrants, which valuation shall be performed by an independent third party.

- Sale Transaction or Other Change of Control Involving Non-Cash Consideration Prior to Expiration: To be addressed in Warrant Agreement.
- Anti-dilution Protection: Customary anti-dilution protection for the Warrants for stock splits, consolidations, rights offerings, dividends, reorganizations and other events affecting the number of shares of New Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Warrants.
- *Dividends and Distributions*: Holders of the Warrants shall not be entitled to participate in any dividends or distributions paid by the Company to holders of capital stock prior to the exercise of the Warrants, nor shall the Company be required to set aside funds or other property for the payment of such dividends or distributions, if any, to holders of the Warrants upon the exercise thereof. To the extent any dividends or distributions are made to holders of capital stock prior to the exercise of the Warrants, there shall be an equivalent adjustment to the exercise price of the Warrants.

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Other Principal Plan Terms

Treatment of Unexpired Leases and Executory Contracts

Unexpired leases and executory contracts (other than labor contracts/collective bargaining agreements) shall be treated in a manner acceptable to the Company and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders.

Treatment of Prepetition Trade Payables

Pursuant to the terms of the Amended and Restated Initial Order entered in the Company's CCAA proceedings, the Company has the authority to satisfy prepetition trade claims currently capped at up to \$12 million (the "Trade Cap") without further agreement or court order. Prior to making any payments under the Trade Cap, the Company shall first obtain the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders. In the event that the Company deems it appropriate to pay or otherwise satisfy prepetition trade claims in excess of the Trade Cap, the Company shall obtain the consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, prior to paying any such additional amounts.

Any claimant who receives payment on account of its prepetition trade claim pursuant to this section "Treatment of Prepetition Trade Payables" must: (a) irrevocably accept in writing the cash payment in full and final satisfaction of its claim such that the claimant is not entitled to assert any deficiency claim; and (b) provide ordinary trade terms to the Company.

New First Lien Notes Indenture Debt Basket

The first lien debt basket under the indenture governing the New First Lien Notes shall be \$75 million; provided, however, that if the Company's first lien debt to EBITDA ratio calculated on a pro forma basis after giving effect to basket usage exceeds 3.0x, 75% of the New First Lien Notes based on the principal amount of such notes then outstanding must consent to the Company's usage of the debt basket. Payment of interest on the First Lien Notes in-kind shall be deemed not to be an incurrence of indebtedness under the indenture, but shall thereafter constitute outstanding indebtedness for all purposes of the indenture.

Initial Board of Directors of Reorganized CPC

On the Effective Date, the initial board of directors of reorganized CPC shall be composed of seven members. Five members of the initial board shall be designated by the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, one member of the initial board shall be designated by the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and one member of the initial board shall be the CEO.

Initial Management of Reorganized CPC

The senior management team upon and immediately following the consummation of the Plan shall be the same as the senior management team immediately prior to consummation.

Key Employee Retention Plan

The letters of credit posted as collateral for the Company's Key Employee Retention Plan (the "<u>KERP</u>") shall be cancelled, and all cash collateral with respect thereto returned to the Company.

Solely with respect to the "Tier I" and "Tier II" beneficiaries of the KERP (as identified in the KERP), the retention payments scheduled under the KERP shall be made as follows:

- 45% (or \$1.9 million) to be paid on December 31, 2012;
- 25% (or \$1 million) to be paid on December 31, 2013; and
- 30% (or \$1.3 million) to be paid in equal percentage as the percentage amortization of the New First Lien Coupon Note.

Corporate Governance Documents

The corporate governance documents of reorganized CPC and the reorganized Debtor subsidiaries that will take effect on and after the Effective Date shall be in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders.

Releases

To the extent permitted by law, the Plan shall provide for the Company's release of any and all claims or causes of action, known or unknown, relating to any pre-Commencement Date acts or omissions, except for willful misconduct or fraud, committed by any of the following: (i) the officers, directors, employees, legal and financial advisors, and other representatives of the Company as of the Commencement Date, in their capacity as such; (ii) the First Lien Notes indenture trustee (the "2016 Notes Indenture Trustee"), the 2016 Notes Indenture Trustee's legal advisors, in their capacity as such, and the holders of the First Lien Notes, in their respective capacities as such; (iii) the members of the steering group of holders of the First Lien Notes (the "Steering Group") and any other Initial Supporting Noteholders and their legal and financial advisors, in their capacity as such; (iv) the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders and their legal and financial advisors, in their capacity as such; and (v) the Unsecured Notes indenture trustee and the holders of the Unsecured Notes, in their respective capacities as such (collectively, the "Released Parties").

Exculpation

To the extent permitted under applicable law, the Released Parties shall not have or incur any liability for any act or omission in connection with, related to, or arising out of, the Restructuring, proceedings under the CCAA or the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, the pursuit of sanctioning the Plan, the consummation of the Plan or the administration of the Plan or the property to be distributed under the Plan except for claims resulting from willful misconduct or fraud.

Restructuring Expenses

In accordance with the Support Agreement, all reasonable and documented fees and expenses of the Initial Supporting Noteholders, the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders and the 2016 Notes Indenture Trustee, including all reasonable documented fees and expenses incurred by the legal and financial advisors of such parties, shall be paid on a current basis after receipt of invoice. For the avoidance of doubt, the legal and financial advisors to be paid pursuant to this section "Restructuring Expenses" include (i) Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP; (ii) Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP; (iii) Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP; (iv) Moelis & Co.; (v) Kelley Drye & Warren LLP; (vi) Chaitons LLP; (vii) Goodmans LLP; (viii) Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP; (ix) Houlihan Lokey and (x) one local counsel in any single jurisdiction for each of (a) the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders and (b) the 2016 Notes Indenture Trustee.

Timeline

As set out in the Support Agreement.

Conditions Precedent and Sales Process Approval

Concurrently with the Company's application for a meetings and process order with respect to the Plan (the "Meetings Order"), which shall be granted no later than March 20, 2012, the Company shall also obtain on that date an order (the "SISP Approval Order") approving a sales and investor solicitation process (the "SISP"), which SISP and SISP Approval Order shall each be in form and substance acceptable to the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, and which shall provide, among other things, that a credit bid shall be permitted on behalf of all holders of the 2016 Notes up to the full amount of the obligations outstanding under the 2016 Indentures and that such credit bid shall be the stalking horse bid in such SISP. It is a condition to this Term Sheet and the agreements hereunder that the SISP Approval Order must be granted on the same date as the Meeting Order; provided, however, that the SISP Approval Order shall provide that the SISP shall only be implemented, but shall be immediately implemented by the Company without further order of the Court, within two business days of the voting meetings on the Plan in the event that the Company has not obtained the requisite statutory thresholds for approval of the Plan at such meetings, which voting meetings shall have occurred by no later than April 23, 2012; provided, further, however, that the SISP Approval Order shall provide that if the Company fails to implement such SISP within such timeframe, the Monitor is directed to implement the SISP no later than one business day thereafter.

Additional conditions precedent to be set out in the definitive documents.

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EXHIBIT C

JOINDER AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby acknowledges that it has read and understands the Restructuring and Support Agreement, dated as of March 11, 2012 (the "Agreement"), by and among Catalyst Paper Corporation and its affiliates and subsidiaries bound thereto, and certain Noteholders. Section 1.2 of the Agreement allows holders of Notes or investment advisers or managers of discretionary accounts that hold Notes to become a party thereto by executing this Joinder Agreement; and Section 3.3 of the Agreement requires, contemporaneously with a Transfer of 2016 Notes or 2014 Notes by a Consenting Noteholder to a Transferee who is not also already a Consenting Noteholder, that such Transferee execute and deliver this Joinder Agreement.

The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that: (i) the 2014 Note and 2016 Notes that are identified on the signature page hereto constitute all of the 2014 Notes and 2016 Notes that are legally or beneficially owned by the undersigned or which the undersigned has the power to vote or dispose of; and (ii) the representations and warranties set forth in Section 3.4 of the Agreement are true and correct with respect to the undersigned as if given on the date hereof.

The undersigned hereby agrees (i) to be bound by the terms and conditions of the 2016 Indentures, the 2014 Indenture and the Agreement, and (ii) if the 2016 Notes and/or 2014 Notes have been acquired from a Transferor, to be bound by the vote of the Transferor if cast prior to the effectiveness of the Transfer of the 2016 Notes and/or 2014 Notes. The undersigned shall be deemed a "Consenting Noteholder" under the terms of the Agreement.

Date Executed:	[NOTEHOLDER]
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	Name: Title:
	Address:
	Attention:
	Telephone: Facsimile:
	Aggregate principal amount of Senior Secured Notes (144A CUSIP# 14888TAC8) beneficially owned or managed on behalf of accounts that hold or beneficially own such Senior Secured Notes:
	Aggregate principal amount of Senior Secured Notes (Reg S CUSIP No. C21847AB1) beneficially owned or managed on behalf of accounts that hold or beneficially own such Senior Secured Notes:
	Aggregate principal amount of Class B Senior Secured Notes (144A CUSIP: 14888TAD6) beneficially owned or managed on behalf of accounts that hold or beneficially own such Class B Senior Secured Notes:
	Aggregate principal amount of Class B Senior Secured Notes (Reg S CUSIP No. C21847AC9) beneficially owned or managed on behalf of accounts that hold or beneficially own such Class B Senior Secured Notes:
	Aggregate principal amount of 2014 Notes (CUSIP# 65653RAG8) beneficially owned or managed on behalf of accounts that hold or beneficially own such 2014 Notes:
	Aggregate principal amount of 2014 Notes (CUSIP# 65653RAG8) beneficially owned or managed on behalf of accounts that hold or

EXHIBIT D

DEBTORS' REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

The Debtors' Representations and Warranties

Each of the Debtors severally and not jointly represents and warrants as of the date such Debtor executes and delivers this Agreement and as of the date of implementation of the Plan (and the Debtors acknowledge that each of the Consenting Noteholders is relying upon such representations and warranties) that:

- (a) Except as disclosed in the Information, the Disclosure Letter or as otherwise contemplated by this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby, since December 31, 2011 there has not been (i) any Material Adverse Effect, (ii) any Material transaction to which the Debtors are a party outside the ordinary course of business, (iii) any Material change in the capital or outstanding indebtedness and liabilities of the Debtors (taken as a whole), (iv) any obligation, direct or contingent (including any off balance sheet obligations), incurred by the Debtors which is Material to the Debtors, or (v) any dividend or distribution of any kind declared, paid or made on the capital of the Debtors. As of the date hereof, the Debtors have filed with Canadian securities regulators and the Commission all documents required to be filed by them under Applicable Securities Laws except to the extent that such a failure to file would not be Material.
- (b) The Debtors do not have any Material Liabilities except (i) Liabilities which are reflected and properly reserved against in the Financial Statements, (ii) Liabilities incurred after December 31, 2011 in the ordinary course of business and consistent with past practice, (iii) current Liabilities arising in the ordinary course under the Contracts to which the Debtors are a party (other than obligations which are required to be reflected on a balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP).
- (c) As of the date of this Agreement, the authorized capital of the Debtors consists of an unlimited number of common shares of CPC ("*Common Shares*"), of which 381,900,450 shares are issued and outstanding, and (ii) 100,000,000 shares of preferred stock, of which no shares are issued and outstanding. The Debtors have no other capital stock authorized or, as of the date of this Agreement, issued and outstanding.
- (d) As of the date of this Agreement, (i) 10,737,024 Common Shares of the Debtors are reserved for issuance pursuant to the Debtors' Restricted Share Unit Plan and Stock Option Plan and other share based compensation arrangements, and (ii) no Common Shares of the Debtors are reserved for issuance upon exercise of outstanding warrants. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, there are no outstanding options, warrants, convertible securities or rights of any kind to purchase or otherwise acquire shares of capital stock or other securities of the Debtors.

- (e) Since December 31, 2010, except as otherwise contemplated by this Agreement or set forth in the Information or the Disclosure Letter, there has not been any resignation or termination of any officer, director or senior manager which would be reasonably likely to have a Material Adverse Effect, or any increase in the rate of compensation payable or to become payable by the Debtors to any officer, director or representative of the Debtors (other than standard increases in connection with general, regularly-scheduled reviews consistent with past practice in respect of employees), including the making of any loan to, or the payment, grant or accrual of any Bonus Payment to any such Person.
- (f) Except as disclosed in the Disclosure Letter, there have been no changes to the compensation for the eight executive officers of the Debtors (the "Executive Officers") from their compensation as disclosed in the Disclosure Letter and the Debtors have not agreed to any, or become obligated to pay any, Bonus Payments to the Executive Officers, agents or consultants except in connection with existing bonus or incentive plans.
- Schedule (g) to the Disclosure Letter contains a list of all contracts material to the Debtors (excluding engagement letters for legal and financial advisors retained by the Debtors, whether to provide services to the Debtors or the holders of 2014 Notes or 2016 Notes, in association with the Transactions) (the "Material Contracts"). Complete and accurate copies of all Material Contracts have been delivered to or otherwise made available for review by Goodmans and Akin Gump prior to the date hereof, or if not previously made available, shall promptly but no more than three business days following the date of this Agreement be made available for review by Goodmans and Akin Gump, and all such agreements are in full force and effect. All of the Material Contracts are valid, binding and enforceable in accordance with their terms against the Debtors party thereto, except (i) as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights of creditors or (ii) general principles of equity (regardless of whether enforceability is considered in a

proceeding at law or in equity). As of the date of this Agreement, except as disclosed in the Disclosure Letter, there is no existing (or threatened in writing) default or dispute with respect to any Material Contracts that would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect other than defaults or disputes caused by the commencement of the Debtors' CCAA proceedings or the Debtors' failure to pay the semi-annual interest payment due under the 2016 Notes on December 15, 2011.

- (h) The Debtors have conducted their business in Material compliance with all Laws and the Debtors have not received notice to the effect that, or has otherwise been advised that, the Debtors are not in compliance with such Laws, other than any such non-compliance as would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (i) All documents and information filed with relevant securities regulators by the Debtors since December 31, 2009, at the time filed, (i) complied with all applicable Laws in all material respects and (ii) did not contain any 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 light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

(j) The boards of directors of the Debtors have: (i) approved, adopted and declared advisable this Agreement and the transactions and agreements contemplated hereby; and (ii) determined that this Agreement is in the best interests of the Debtors and CPC has resolved to recommend approval of this Agreement and the transactions and agreements contemplated hereby to holders of 2016 Notes, holders of 2014 Notes and existing shareholders.

RELEVANT DEFINITIONS IN THE DEBTORS' REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- "Applicable Securities Laws" means all applicable securities, corporate and other laws, rules, regulations, notices and policies in the Provinces of Canada and in the United States of America, including state "blue sky" legislation.
- "Bonus Payments" means all bonus payments, retention payments, incentive compensation payments, service award payments or other similar payments payable by the Debtors any of the Debtors' current or past employees or consultants, in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or otherwise.
- "Commission" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.
- "Contracts" means all agreements, contracts, leases (whether for real or personal property), purchase orders, undertakings, covenants not to compete, employment agreements, confidentiality agreements, licenses, instruments, obligations and commitments to which a Person is a party or by which a Person or any of its assets are bound or affected, whether written or oral.
- "Disclosure Letter" means a letter from the Debtors to Goodmans and Akin Gump.
- "Governmental Entity" means any government, regulatory authority, governmental department, agency, commission, bureau, official, minister, Crown corporation, court, board, tribunal or dispute settlement panel or other law, rule or regulation-making organization or entity: (a) having or purporting to have jurisdiction on behalf of any nation, province, territory or state or any other geographic or political subdivision of any of them; or (b) exercising, or entitled or purporting to exercise any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative, policy, regulatory or taxing authority or power.
- "Information" means information set forth or incorporated in the Debtors' public disclosure documents filed with the applicable Canadian securities regulators and the Commission under the Securities Legislation, as applicable, since December 31, 2009 and prior to the execution and delivery of this Agreement.

"Financial Statements" means the audited consolidated balance sheet of the Debtors as at December 31, 2011 and the related audited consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss, consolidated statement of cash flows for each of the fiscal years then ended, together with the report thereon of independent certified public accountants, each prepared in accordance with GAAP consistently applied throughout the periods covered.

"Law" or "Laws" means any law, statute, order, decree, consent decree, judgment, rule regulation, ordinance or other pronouncement having the effect of law whether in Canada, the United States or any other country, or any domestic or foreign state, county, province, city or other political subdivision or of any Governmental Entity.

"Liability" or "Liabilities" means any direct or indirect liability, indebtedness, obligation, commitment, expense, claim, deficiency, guaranty or endorsement of or by any Person of any type, whether accrued, absolute, contingent, matured, unmatured liquidated, unliquidated, known or unknown.

"Material" means a fact, circumstance, change, effect, matter, action, condition, event, occurrence or development that, individually or in the aggregate, is, or would reasonably be expected to be, material to the business, affairs, results of operations or financial condition of the Debtors (taken as a whole).

"Material Adverse Effect" means an event, change or occurrence that, individually or together with any other event, change or occurrence, has a material adverse impact on the financial condition, business or results of operations of the Debtors (taken as a whole) and shall include, without limitation, the disposition by any of the Debtors of any material asset without the prior consent of the Consenting Noteholders; provided, however, that a Material Adverse Effect shall not include and shall be deemed to exclude the impact of: (A) changes in Laws of general applicability or interpretations thereof by courts or governmental or regulatory authorities, (B) any change in the paper industry generally, which does not disproportionately adversely affect the Debtors, (C) actions and omissions of the Debtors taken with the prior written consent of the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in consultation with the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, (D) the effects of compliance with this Agreement, including on the operating performance of the Debtors, (E) the negotiation, execution, delivery, performance, consummation, potential consummation or public announcement of this Agreement or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, (F) changes in the market price or trading volume of the Debtors' 2014 Notes, 2016 Notes or Common Shares (it being understood that any cause of any such change may be taken into consideration when determining whether a Material Adverse Effect has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur), (G) any change in U.S. or Canadian interest rates or currency exchange rates unless such change has a disproportionate effect on the Debtors.

"**Person**" means an individual, a corporation, a partnership, a limited liability company, a trust, an unincorporated association, a Governmental Entity or any agency, instrumentality or political subdivision of a Governmental Entity, or any other entity or body.

"Securities Legislation" means all applicable Laws, regulations, rules, policies or instruments of any securities commission, stock exchange or like body in Canada or the United States.

SIXTH AMENDMENT TO RESTRUCTURING AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT

This Sixth Amendment to Restructuring and Support Agreement is entered into as of May 15, 2012 (this "Amendment"), by and among (i) Catalyst Paper Corporation and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates (collectively, the "Debtors"), and (ii) the undersigned noteholders who are the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to such terms in the Restructuring and Support Agreement (as defined below).

WHEREAS, the Debtors and the Initial Supporting Noteholders previously entered into that Restructuring and Support Agreement dated as of March 11, 2012 (as amended, the "Restructuring and Support Agreement"), and the Debtors and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders entered into that First Amendment to Restructuring Support Agreement dated as of March 20, 2012, the Debtors and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders entered into that Second Amendment to Restructuring and Support Agreement dated as of March 22, 2012, the Debtors and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders entered into that Third Amendment to Restructuring and Support Agreement dated as of April 17, 2012, the Debtors and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders entered into that Fourth Amendment to Restructuring and Support Agreement dated as of April 25, 2012 and the Debtors and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders entered into that Fifth Amendment to Restructuring and Support Agreement dated as of May 9, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Debtors and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders, in accordance with Section 7 of the Restructuring and Support Agreement, now desire to further amend certain of the terms and conditions of the Restructuring and Support Agreement on the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the agreements and obligations set forth herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Debtors and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders hereby agree as follows:

Section 1

Amendments

- 1.01 Amendment to the Definition of the Plan. The Restructuring and Support Agreement is hereby amended in its entirety such that all references therein to the Plan shall mean and shall be deemed to refer to the Amended and Restated Plan of Compromise and Arrangement attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
- 1.02 Amendment to Section 2. Section 2 of the Restructuring and Support Agreement is hereby amended by deleting such Section in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

"The Term Sheet and Plan are expressly incorporated herein and are made part of this Agreement. The general terms and conditions of the Transactions are set forth in the Term Sheet and the Plan; provided, however, that the Term Sheet is modified by the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Plan and all references herein to the Term Sheet shall mean and shall be deemed to refer to the Term Sheet as modified by this Agreement and the Plan. In the event of any inconsistencies between the terms of the Term Sheet and this Agreement, this Agreement shall govern. In the event of any inconsistencies between the terms of the Term Sheet and the Plan, the Plan shall govern. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Plan."

1.03 Amendment to Section 2.1. Section 2.1 of the Restructuring and Support Agreement is hereby amended by deleting such Section in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

"Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the following shall be acceptable to (a) the Initial Supporting Noteholders, where each of the Initial Supporting Noteholders will have one vote and a majority of votes will govern (the "Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders") in consultation with (b) all holders of 2014 Notes that have executed this Agreement (as distinct from a Joinder Agreement) as of the Agreement "Initial Supporting (collectively, the Date Noteholders"): (i) the Exit Facility; (ii) the treatment of unexpired leases and executory contracts; (iii) the securities exchange on which, subject to standard listing requirements, reorganized CPC shall seek to list the New Common Stock; (iv) the corporate governance documents of reorganized CPC and the reorganized Debtor subsidiaries; (v) the Transaction Documents; and (vi) the Meetings Order, the SISP Approval Order, the Claims Process Order and the Sanction Order (each as defined herein)."

- 1.04 Amendment to Section 3.1(b). Section 3.1(b) of the Restructuring and Support Agreement is hereby amended by adding "the Plan," in front of each reference to "the Term Sheet".
- 1.05 Amendment to Section 3.2(a)(ii)(B)(5). Section 3.2(a)(ii)(B)(5) of the Restructuring and Support Agreement is hereby amended by replacing "May 18" with "May 23".
- 1.06 Amendment to Section 3.2(a)(ii)(B)(6). Section 3.2(a)(ii)(B)(6) of the Restructuring and Support Agreement is hereby amended by replacing "May 23" with "May 25".
- 1.07 Amendment to Section 6.1(a)(iv). Section 6.1(a)(iv) of the Restructuring and Support Agreement is hereby amended by replacing "May 18" with "May 23".
- 1.08 Amendment to Section 6.1(a)(v). Section 6.1(a)(v) of the Restructuring and Support Agreement is hereby amended by replacing "May 23" with "May 25".
- 1.09 Amendment to Section 6.1(a)(vi). Section 6.1(a)(vi) of the Restructuring and Support Agreement is hereby amended by replacing "21" with "45".
- 1.10 Amendment to Section 7. Section 7 of the Restructuring and Support Agreement is hereby amended by deleting the first paragraph thereof in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

"This Agreement, including the Term Sheet, may not be modified, amended, or supplemented (except as expressly provided herein or therein) except in writing signed by the Debtors and the Majority Initial Supporting Noteholders. Notwithstanding the foregoing and so long as the Transactions are consummated pursuant to the Plan, without the consent of the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders, the following cannot be modified, amended or supplemented: (i) the form and/or amount of consideration described in the Plan to be allocated to the holders of 2014 Notes in the CCAA proceeding; (ii) the composition and/or selection of members of the initial board of directors of reorganized CPC as described in the Term Sheet; (iii) Section 3.2(b) of this Agreement; (iv) the Debtors' release of any and all claims or causes or action, known or unknown, relating to any pre-Commencement Date acts or omissions committed by the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders and their legal and financial advisors, as described in the Term Sheet, and (v) any provisions in this Agreement, the Plan or the Term Sheet requiring the consent of, or consultation with, the Initial Supporting Unsecured Noteholders."

Section 2

General Provisions

- 2.01 Effect of Amendment; References. Except as specifically amended hereby, the Restructuring and Support Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and is hereby ratified and confirmed. This Amendment shall become effective upon its execution. Each reference to "hereof," "hereunder," "herein," and "hereby" and each other similar reference and each reference to "this Agreement" and each other similar reference contained in the Restructuring and Support Agreement shall from and after the date hereof refer to the Restructuring and Support Agreement as amended by this Amendment.
- 2.02 Counterparts. For the convenience of the parties hereto, any number of counterparts of this Amendment may be executed by the parties hereto, each of which shall be an original instrument and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same Amendment. Delivery of a signed counterpart of this Amendment by facsimile or .pdf transmission shall constitute valid, sufficient delivery thereof.

[SIGNATURE PAGES FOLLOW]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the undersigned has executed this Sixth Amendment to Restructuring and Support Agreement as of the date first above written.

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