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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): November 25, 2016 (November 22, 2016)

ACTIVISION BLIZZARD, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **001-15839** (Commission File Number)

95-4803544 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

3100 Ocean Park Boulevard, Santa Monica, CA (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

90405 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (310) 255-2000

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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

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

Robert A. Kotick Employment Agreement

On November 22, 2016, Activision Blizzard, Inc. (the "Company") entered into an employment agreement (the "Employment Agreement") with Robert A. Kotick, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, who has served in this position for over 25 years and has been instrumental in creating value for the Company's shareholders. The Employment Agreement is effective as of October 1, 2016 and will expire on December 31, 2021, unless terminated earlier pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Employment Agreement. Mr. Kotick will continue to receive his current base salary for the remainder of 2016 at the annual rate of \$2,366,757. Beginning January 1, 2017 Mr. Kotick's base salary will be reduced to the annual rate of \$1,750,000.

The Employment Agreement also provides for an annual bonus based upon achievement of certain financial and business objectives determined by the Compensation Committee. For the remainder of 2016, Mr. Kotick will continue to have a target annual bonus equal to 200% of his 2016 base salary specified above. Beginning with the 2017 fiscal year, the target annual bonus for each fiscal year shall be equal to 200% of Mr. Kotick's reduced base salary. The bonus will be paid in the form determined by the Compensation Committee of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Compensation Committee") in its discretion, including cash, shares of Company common stock, stock options or equity-based awards.

The Employment Agreement includes significant changes from Mr. Kotick's prior employment agreement that expired on June 30, 2016. Among other changes, the Employment Agreement eliminates any "gross up" payments for Internal Revenue Code Section 280G "golden parachute" excise taxes and all change in control payments to which Mr. Kotick may be entitled under the Employment Agreement are "double-trigger" (i.e. require the occurrence of a change in control and a termination event). The Employment Agreement does not provide for

any guaranteed annual base salary increases. In addition, the Employment Agreement provides for annual equity grants, instead of an up-front grant structure, and includes additional performance conditions and Compensation Committee discretion as to the form and total value of the annual awards, as described below. The Employment Agreement also provides for additional awards and payments in the event of a "Transformative Transaction" (as defined in the Employment Agreement) and in the event that certain "Shareholder Value Creation" metrics are satisfied prior to December 31, 2021, as described below.

In consideration for entering into the Employment Agreement, the Employment Agreement provides that, as soon as practicable following the effective date of the Employment Agreement, the Company will grant Mr. Kotick an award of performance share units (the "2016 Performance Share Units") on such terms and conditions as determined by the Compensation Committee. This award was made on November 22, 2016 and is described below under the heading "2016 Long Term Performance Share Grant."

Section 6(a) of the Employment Agreement provides that Mr. Kotick will be granted future equity incentive awards for each of the 2017, 2018 and 2019 fiscal years. The target value on the date of grant of each such award will be determined by the Compensation Committee after taking into account the Company's and Mr. Kotick's performance, the Company's applicable peer companies, any relevant changes in the business and market dynamics relevant to the Company, the Company's projected performance relative to its long-term business plan and any other factors the Compensation Committee determines relevant, but in no event will the value be equal to not less than the greatest of (1) the 50th percentile of the Company's then-applicable group of peer companies; (2) with respect to the 2017 long-term incentive award, an amount that bears the same general relationship as the grant value of the 2016 Performance Share Unit Award has to the Company's group of peer companies' long-term incentive grant values; or (3) with respect to long-term incentive awards in years after 2016, the grant date value of the annual equity awards granted to Mr. Kotick in the immediately preceding fiscal year. The Employment Agreement provides that the form, amount and terms and conditions of these future equity awards will be determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion after consultation with Mr. Kotick.

In addition, the Employment Agreement provides that on or about March 1, 2021, Mr. Kotick will be paid, subject to performance and continued employment, an incentive award (the "2020 Long-Term Performance Grant") having a grant date value ("2020 Long Term Performance Grant Target Value") determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion after consultation with Mr. Kotick according to the valuation criteria applicable to long-term grant values described in Section 6(a) of the Employment Agreement, and a maximum aggregate value at the date of payment (the "Maximum 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Value") of 500% of the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value. The 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant may be paid in shares of Company common stock or cash, as determined by the Compensation Committee. Except as noted following the table below, the share or cash value that shall be paid to Mr. Kotick shall be zero if the Company's annualized total shareholder return ("TSR") for the period commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2020 (the "2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period") is less than six percent. In the event that the Company's compound annual growth rate ("CAGR") for TSR during the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period is six percent or greater, the share value or cash value that shall be paid shall be determined as a percentage of the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value in accordance with the following:

CAGR for TSR during 2020 Long-Term	Payment as Percentage of 2020 Long-Term
Performance Grant Measurement Period	Performance Grant Target Value
6%	90%
8%	100%
13%	200%
17%	300%
21.5%	400%

If CAGR for TSR during the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period is 25% or more, the payment as a percentage of the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value will be the Maximum 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Value.

The Employment Agreement provides for payments to Mr. Kotick pursuant to the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant if the Company's annualized TSR for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period is less than six percent but equals or exceeds the median total shareholder return of the companies listed in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period. The amounts payable in this event range from 90% to 120% of the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value depending on how the Company's TSR compares to the median total shareholder return of the companies listed in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period, but shall be limited to the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value if the Company's annualized TSR is negative during the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period. For all purposes, straight-line interpolation will apply to performance levels between the levels set forth in this paragraph.

Pursuant to the Employment Agreement, Mr. Kotick will also be granted an incentive award (the "2021 Long-Term Performance Grant") having a grant date value determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion after consultation with Mr. Kotick according to the valuation criteria applicable to long-term grant values described in Section 6(a), but based on an assumed increase in the long-term incentive values among companies in the Company's general industry by applying a multiple of 1.44 to the grant date value of Mr. Kotick's 2017 long-term incentive award (the "2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value"). The maximum share value or cash value under the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value (the "Maximum 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value"). Except as otherwise provided in the Employment Agreement, the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant will be paid in fiscal year 2022. The amount payable under the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant will, except as provided in the Employment Agreement, be based on

the Company's cumulative annual operating income for the period commencing on January 1, 2017 and ending with December 31, 2021 (the "Cumulative OI") and shall vest on March 31, 2022 if, and only if, the Compensation Committee determines that the Cumulative Operating Income is 90% or more of the sum of the 2017 through 2021 annual operating plan operating income objectives, with such operating income objectives for purposes of the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant to be the same as the 2017 through 2018 annual operating plan OI Objectives applicable to Mr. Kotick's 2016 Performance Share Unit award, and to be determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion after consultation with Mr. Kotick for each of 2019, 2020 and 2021 (collectively, the "Cumulative OI Objectives"). If the Cumulative OI falls at any point between 90% and 100% of the Cumulative OI Objectives, the share or cash value that will be received by Mr. Kotick with regard to the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant on the applicable vesting date shall be equal to the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value. If the Cumulative OI is 125% of the Cumulative OI Objectives, the share or cash value that Mr. Kotick will receive with regard to the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant on the applicable vesting date will be equal to the Maximum Long-Term Performance Grant Value. If the Cumulative OI is greater than 100% but less than 125% of the Cumulative OI Objectives, the share or cash value that will be received with regard to the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant on the applicable vesting date shall be determined based on straight line interpolation between 100% of the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value and the Maximum Long-Term Performance Grant Value. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Compensation Committee in its discretion may determine, following consultation with Mr. Kotick, that the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant shall vest based on a five year operating income operating plan approved by the Compensation Committee rather than the foregoing criteria.

In addition, if the Company consummates (and the Compensation Committee certifies that the Company has consummated), a Transformative Transaction (as defined in the Employment Agreement, and as determined in the discretion of the Compensation Committee) during the term of Mr. Kotick's employment while he is the Chief Executive Officer of the Company, Mr. Kotick will receive an award in shares or cash equal to between one hundred percent (100%) and one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value, as determined in accordance with the Employment Agreement, and dependent upon the accretive value added to the Company's market capitalization, as determined by the Compensation Committee.

The Employment Agreement provides that, in the event that at any time prior to December 31, 2021 the closing trading price of a share of the Company's common stock equals or exceeds two times the average closing price of the Company's common stock as determined during the period from October 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016, subject to certain adjustments, and remains at or above that level for at least 90 consecutive trading days (the "Shareholder Value Creation Date"), (A) any of Mr. Kotick's then outstanding equity compensation granted under Section 6(a) of the Employment Agreement will become vested with respect to 100% of the shares subject thereto (with the number of shares subject to performance based awards determined assuming attainment of the maximum level of performance); (B) a payment in shares or cash (as determined by the Compensation Committee) equal to the grant date value (as determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion after consultation with Mr. Kotick) of any annual equity grants remaining to be made pursuant to Section 6(a) shall be made 120 days after the Shareholder Value Creation Date; and (C) the 2021 Long Term Performance Grant will be paid 120 days after the Shareholder Value Creation Date, with the amount payable to be no less than 1.5 times the 2021 Long Term Performance Grant Value.

Pursuant to the Employment Agreement, Mr. Kotick will also be eligible to participate in all health, welfare, pension, life insurance, disability and similar plans, programs and arrangements generally available to the Company's U.S.-based senior executive group. In addition, through March 15, 2022, the Company will reimburse Mr. Kotick for the cost of maintaining the life insurance policy in effect pursuant to Mr. Kotick's prior employment agreement. Commencing on March 16, 2022 and continuing until the tenth anniversary of the effective date of the Employment Agreement, the Company will reimburse Mr. Kotick up to a maximum of \$80,000 per year for the cost of maintaining his then-existing life insurance policies. The Company will pay reasonable expenses related to Mr. Kotick's use of non-commercial transportation services for business-related travel, including use of transportation and aviation services provided by Cove Aviation Partners, LLC, a FAA certified charter operator indirectly owned and managed by Mr. Kotick, as previously approved by the Company's Audit Committee.

In the event of a termination of Mr. Kotick's employment as a result of Mr. Kotick's termination for Cause or Mr. Kotick's resignation other than for Good Reason (each as defined in the Employment Agreement), the Company will pay to Mr. Kotick (i) his annual base salary through the date of such termination, any earned but unpaid annual bonus due to him, and any reimbursement due to him pursuant to Section 4 of the Employment Agreement (the "Accrued Obligations") and Mr. Kotick will not be entitled to any additional severance payments.

In the event of a termination of Mr. Kotick's employment as a result of his death or disability, the Company will pay to Mr. Kotick or his beneficiaries (as applicable) (i) the Accrued Obligations; (ii) an amount equal to the annual bonus earned by Mr. Kotick for the immediately preceding fiscal year pro rated for the number of days he worked during the fiscal year ("Pro Rata Annual Bonus"); (iii) in the case of termination due to disability, an amount equal to one times his base salary; (iv) continuation of health/medical coverage for Mr. Kotick and his spouse and minor children on a non-taxable basis for two years; (v) immediate vesting of all Company equity or equity-based awards with time-based vesting, and all outstanding options to purchase Company stock shall remain exercisable until the earlier of five years from the termination date or the original expiration date of the options; and (vi) all outstanding Company equity or equity-based awards with performance-based vesting, the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant and the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant (together, the "Performance-Based Awards") will remain outstanding and become vested based on the actual attainment of such awards' performance targets as if Mr. Kotick were still employed through the time of vesting.

In the event Mr. Kotick's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause or he resigns his employment for Good Reason, other than during the 12-month period following a Change of Control (as defined in the Employment Agreement), then conditioned on Mr. Kotick's execution of a release of any claims against the Company, he will receive (i) the Accrued Obligations; (ii) an amount equal to the annual bonus Mr. Kotick earns for the fiscal year in which the termination occurs, pro-rated for the number of days he worked during the fiscal year (the "Current Pro Rata Annual Bonus"); (iii) an amount equal to two times his base salary and target value of his 2016 annual bonus;

(iv) continuation of health/medical coverage for Mr. Kotick and his spouse and minor children on a non-taxable basis for two years; (v) immediate vesting of all Company equity or equity-based awards with time-based vesting, and all outstanding options to purchase Company stock will remain exercisable until the earlier of five years from the termination date or the original expiration date of the options; and (vi) all Performance-Based Awards will remain outstanding and become vested based on the actual attainment of such awards' performance targets as if Mr. Kotick were still employed through the time of vesting.

If Mr. Kotick's employment is terminated during the 12-month period following a Change of Control by the Company without Cause, or by Mr. Kotick for Good Reason, he will be entitled to (i) the Accrued Obligations; (ii) the Current Pro Rata Annual Bonus; (iii) an amount equal to three times his base salary and target value of his 2016 annual bonus; (iv) continuation of health/medical coverage for Mr. Kotick and his spouse and minor children on a non-taxable basis for two years; (v) immediate vesting of all Company equity or equity-based awards with time-based vesting, and all outstanding options to purchase Company stock will remain exercisable until the earlier of five years from the termination date or the original expiration date of the options; and (vi) all Performance-Based Awards will remain outstanding and become vested based on the actual attainment of such awards' performance targets as if Mr. Kotick were still employed through the time of vesting. In addition, all of Mr. Kotick's options will remain exercisable until their original expiration date, and Mr. Kotick will immediately vest in and be paid the 2016 Performance Share Units, the 2020 Long Term Performance Grant and the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant, based on the greater of (x) target performance and (y) actual performance as determined by the Compensation Committee based on the Compensation Committee's assessment of projected performance through the end of each applicable performance period.

Mr. Kotick is subject to the Company's proprietary information agreement. In addition, during the term of the Employment Agreement and for a period of two years thereafter, Mr. Kotick will be prevented from interfering with the relationship between the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates and their officers and employees, from soliciting such officers and employees, and from utilizing confidential information to solicit customers, employees and other parties with business relationships with the Company. In addition, Mr. Kotick shall not, during the term of the Employment Agreement engage in any competitive business, as defined in the agreement.

The foregoing description is not a complete description of the Employment Agreement and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Employment Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated by reference in this Item 5.02.

2016 Long Term Performance Share Grant

As referenced above, on November 22, 2016, the Company granted Mr. Kotick an award of performance share units (the "2016 Performance Share Units") under the Company's 2014 Incentive Plan with a target value of \$22,500,000 and a maximum value of \$56,250,000. Assuming target performance, the number of shares Mr. Kotick would receive upon the vesting of the 2016 Performance Share Units is 605,327. Assuming maximum performance is achieved, the number of shares Mr. Kotick would receive upon the vesting of the 2016 Performance Share Units is 1,513,317. The maximum number of shares that can be awarded pursuant to the 2016 Performance Share Units will be funded, subject to the Compensation Committee's negative discretion, but not below specified amounts, if, and only if, the Compensation Committee determines that the Company has met or exceeded the cumulative earnings per share target for the fourth quarter of the Company's 2016 fiscal year and the Company's 2017 fiscal year, as set forth in the applicable documents. Thereafter, the 2016 Performance Share Units will vest on March 31, 2019 with the number of shares of Company common stock determined in three tranches based on the achievement of specified annual operating plan OI objectives established by the Board for each of 2016, 2017 and 2018, provided, however in the event the earnings per share target set forth above is satisfied, then at least 100% of the of the target 2016 Performance Share Units will become vested.

The 2016 Long-Term Performance Share Grant has been made pursuant to the form of award agreement attached hereto as Exhibit 10.2. The foregoing description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the form of award agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference in this Item 5.02.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
- 10.1 Employment Agreement, dated November 22, 2016, between Robert A. Kotick and the Company
- 10.2 Form of Notice of Performance Share Unit Award to Robert A. Kotick

SIGNATURE

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

Date: November 25, 2016

ACTIVISION BLIZZARD, INC.

By: /s/ Chris B. Walther

Chris B. Walther Chief Legal Officer

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EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Employment Agreement (this "Agreement"), dated as of October 1, 2016 (the "Effective Date"), by and between ACTIVISION BLIZZARD, INC., a Delaware corporation with its principal offices at 3100 Ocean Park Boulevard, Santa Monica, CA 90405 (the "Company"), and ROBERT A. KOTICK (the "Executive").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Company and the Executive are parties to an employment agreement dated March 15, 2012 (the "*Prior Agreement*"), the term of which has expired;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Company (the "*Board*") recognizes that the Executive has unique and valuable experience and skills that add significant value to the Company and its stockholders and therefore it is in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders to enter into this Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Executive is willing to continue to serve as an employee of the Company and is willing to accept the terms and conditions offered in this Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Compensation Committee (the "*Compensation Committee*") of the Board approved the execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Company at a meeting of the Compensation Committee held on November 22, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Company and the Executive agree that this Agreement will supersede the Prior Agreement in its entirety to the extent that any provisions thereof were intended to survive the expiration of the term thereof, except as otherwise specifically provided herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual covenants contained herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

- **1. Position and Duties.** (a) The Company agrees to continue to employ the Executive, and the Executive agrees to be employed, as the Chief Executive Officer of the Company reporting only to the Board. The Executive shall be the senior-most employee of the Company, and all employees of the Company shall report, directly or indirectly, to the Executive. The Executive shall have such powers, duties, authorities and responsibilities as are consistent with Executive's position and title and as are in effect immediately prior to the Effective Date; provided that the Executive's powers, duties, authorities and responsibilities shall be consistent with the provisions of the Company's amended and restated By-Laws as in effect from time to time (the "**By-Laws**"). At all times during the Employment Period (as defined in Section 2 below), the Executive shall, unless he otherwise elects, be nominated for election by the shareholders of the Company to the Board.
- (b) During the Employment Period and excluding any periods of vacation, the Executive agrees to devote such time, attention and efforts to the business and affairs of the Company as may be necessary to discharge the duties and responsibilities assigned to the Executive hereunder and to use the Executive's reasonable best efforts to perform faithfully and efficiently such duties and responsibilities.
- (c) Except for periodic travel assignments, the Executive shall not, without his consent, be required to perform services for the Company at any place other than the principal place of the

Company's business which shall at all times, unless the Executive otherwise consents, be within a 35 mile radius of the Company's current principal place of business. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Executive may, at his sole discretion and upon prior written notice to the Board, relocate at any time to New York, New York.

- **2. Effectiveness; Employment Period**. The employment of the Executive under the terms of this Agreement (the "*Employment Period*") shall commence on the Effective Date and terminate on December 31, 2021 (the "*Expiration Date*"). Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the Executive's employment pursuant to the terms of this Agreement and the Employment Period is subject to earlier termination pursuant to Section 7 below.
 - **3.** <u>Compensation</u>. The Executive shall receive the following compensation (the "*Compensation*") for his services hereunder:
- (a) **Base Salary**. The Company shall pay to the Executive a base salary ("*Base Salary*") in respect of each calendar year of the Company or portion thereof during the Employment Period. During the Employment Period, the Base Salary shall be at the annual rate of \$1,750,000 beginning January 1, 2017. The Base Salary shall be paid in accordance with the customary payroll practices of the Company at regular intervals, but in no event less frequently than every month, as the Company may establish from time to time for senior executive employees of the Company.
- (b) **Annual Bonus**. The Executive shall be entitled to receive an annual bonus for each full or partial fiscal year of the Company during the Employment Period (the "**Annual Bonus**"), based upon the Company achieving financial and business objectives for the fiscal year with respect to which the Annual Bonus accrues. The financial and business objectives for each fiscal year shall be determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion, after consultation with the Executive, within the time frames set forth in Section 9(a) of the Company's 2014 Incentive Plan (as amended from time to time, the "**2014 Plan**"), or a similar section of any successor Company incentive plan. Starting with the Company's 2017 fiscal year, the target Annual Bonus for each fiscal year shall be equal to two hundred percent (200%)

of the Base Salary in effect on the first day of such fiscal year. The Annual Bonus shall be paid in the form determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion, including cash, shares of Company Common Stock, stock options or other equity-based awards. The Company shall pay each Annual Bonus to the Executive no later than two and a half (2-1/2) months after the end of the fiscal year for which the Annual Bonus is awarded; provided that, except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the Executive remains continuously employed by the Company or its subsidiaries and affiliates (the "Company Group") through the date on which the Annual Bonus is paid. Along with the payment of each Annual Bonus, the Company shall also deliver to the Executive a written statement setting forth the basis of its calculation of such Annual Bonus. The Executive and the Executive's representatives shall have the right, at the Executive's cost, to inspect the records of the Company with respect to the calculation of any such Annual Bonus, to make copies of said records utilizing the Company's facilities without charge, and to have free and full access thereto upon reasonable notice during the normal business hours of the Company. The Annual Bonus shall be prorated to the extent it is calculated for a period of less than a full fiscal year. The Annual Bonus is intended to qualify as annual incentive compensation under Section 9 of the 2014 Plan, or a similar section of any successor Company incentive plan, and shall be subject to the conditions and limitations of such section.

4. Other Benefits.

(a) **Benefits and Perquisites**. During the Employment Period, the Executive shall be entitled to participate in all health, welfare, retirement, pension, life insurance, disability and similar plans, programs and arrangements generally available to the U.S.-based senior executive group of the Company in accordance with the terms and conditions of such plans, programs and arrangements, as amended from time

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to time. In addition, during the Employment Period the Executive shall be entitled to participate in all perquisite programs available to the U.S.-based senior executive group of the Company on the terms and conditions then prevailing under such programs, as amended from time to time.

- (b) **Travel**. As previously approved by the Board, the Company has determined that it is in the best interests of the Company for safety, security and time efficiency to require Executive to use non-commercial transportation services for business-related travel. The Company has agreed to pay the reasonable expenses related thereto, including use of transportation and aviation services provided by Cove Aviation Partners LLC ("Cove Aviation"), a FAA certified charter operator indirectly owned and managed by Executive, as previously approved by the Audit Committee of the Board. Cove Aviation has historically offered the Company a discount on its regular hourly flight charge, and therefore the Company has determined that the arrangement between the Company and Cove Aviation provides substantial value to the Company on the basis that the Company's total cost for such usage is less than if the Company were to charter comparable transportation and aviation services for Executive from other aviation operators at market rate hourly flight charges or operate its own aviation services.
- (c) **Office and Support Staff**. During the Employment Period, the Executive shall be entitled to an office or offices of a size and with furnishings and other appointments, including personal administrative assistance, at least equal to the most favorable of the foregoing provided to the Executive by the Company at any time during the ninety (90) day period immediately preceding the Effective Date, or, if more favorable to the Executive, as provided at any time after the Effective Date to the Executive or any other senior executive officers of the Company.
- (d) **Vacation**. The Executive shall be entitled to four (4) weeks paid vacation, or such greater number of weeks as are provided in the Company's vacation policy, each fiscal year during the Employment Period, in addition to regular paid holidays provided to all full-time employees of the Company in the United States; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that unused vacation time shall not be carried over to any subsequent year. Vacation time shall be taken as determined by the Executive in his reasonable and good faith discretion; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such time taken is mutually convenient to the Company and not disruptive to the Company's activities or the Executive's responsibilities.
- (e) **Life Insurance**. Through March 15, 2022, the Company shall continue to reimburse the Executive for the cost of maintaining the life insurance policy in effect for the Executive pursuant to the Company's obligations under the Prior Agreement. Commencing on March 16, 2022 and continuing until the tenth (10th) anniversary of the Effective Date of this Agreement, the Company shall reimburse the Executive up to a maximum of \$80,000 per calendar year for the cost of maintaining the Executive's then existing life insurance policies, subject to the Executive's presentation of invoices in accordance with the Company's expense reimbursement policies in effect.
- 5. <u>2016 Long-Term Performance Share Grant</u>. In consideration for entering into this five-year employment commitment, as soon as reasonably practicable following the Effective Date, the Company shall grant the Executive an award of performance shares (the "2016 Performance Share Units") on such terms and conditions as the Compensation Committee determines, following consultation with the Executive.

6. <u>Future Equity/Incentive Awards</u>.

(a) Subject to the last sentence of this <u>Section 6(a)</u>, the Executive shall be granted future equity incentive awards for each of fiscal years 2017, 2018 and 2019 having a target value (determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles) on the date of grant (the "*Grant Date Value*") of each such award determined by the Compensation Committee after taking into account the Company's and Executive's performance; the Company's applicable peer companies; any relevant changes

in the business and market dynamics relevant to the Company; the Company's projected performance relative to its long-term business plan; and any other factors the Compensation Committee determines relevant, but in no event equal to not less than the greatest of (i) the 50th percentile of the Company's then applicable group of peer companies' (as determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion) CEO long-term incentive grants; (ii) with respect to the Executive's 2017 long-term incentive award, an amount that bears the same general relationship as the grant value of the 2016 Performance Share Unit award has to the Company's group of peer companies' long-term incentive grant values (after taking into account average increases in the long-term incentive award grant values among companies in the Company's general industry) or (iii) with respect to long-term incentive awards in years after 2016, the Grant Date Value of the annual equity incentive awards granted to Executive in the immediately preceding fiscal year, pursuant to the 2014 Plan and subject to the further terms and conditions as set forth herein and in an award agreement to be entered into between the Company and the Executive. The equity awards contemplated to be granted to the Executive pursuant to this Section 6(a) shall be referred to as the "Future Equity Awards." The form, amount and terms and conditions of Future Equity Awards will be determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion after consultation with the Executive.

(b) On or about March 1, 2021, the Executive shall be paid, subject to performance and continued employment, an incentive award having a Grant Date Value ("2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value") determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion after consultation with the Executive according to the valuation criteria applicable to long-term grant values described in Section 6(a), including without limitation the provisions of Section 6(a)(iii), (the "2020 Long-Term Performance Grant") and a maximum aggregate value at the date of payment of five hundred percent (500%) of the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value (the "Maximum 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Value"). The 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant may be paid in shares of Company common stock or cash, as determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion. Except as provided in this Agreement, subject to Executive remaining employed by the Company through the date of payment of the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant, the share value or the cash value that shall be paid to Executive pursuant to the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant shall be zero if the Company's annualized total shareholder return ("TSR") for the period commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2020 (the "2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period") is less than six percent (6%). In the event that the Company's annualized TSR for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period is six percent (6%) or greater, the share value or cash value that shall be paid to Executive pursuant to the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value in accordance with the following:

Compound Annual Growth Rate ("CAGR") for TSR during 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period	Payment as Percentage of 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value
6%	90%
8%	100%
13%	200%
17%	300%
21.5%	400%
25% or more	Maximum 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Value

Straight-line interpolation will apply to CAGR results between the thresholds set forth above.

(i) Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the Company's annualized TSR for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period is less than six percent (6%)

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but equals or exceeds the median total shareholder return of the companies listed in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period, then the share value or cash value that shall be paid to Executive pursuant to the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant shall be ninety percent (90%) of the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value if the Company's TSR for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period equals the median total shareholder return of the companies listed in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period, one hundred percent (100%) of the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value if the Company's TSR for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period exceeds the median total shareholder return of the companies listed in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measure Period but is less than one hundred ten percent (110%) of such median and one hundred twenty percent (120%) of the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value if the Company's TSR for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period is equal to or greater than one hundred ten percent (110%) of the median total shareholder return of the companies listed in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period; provided that, if the Company's annualized TSR for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period is a negative number, then the share value or cash value that shall be paid to Executive pursuant to the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant under this paragraph shall be zero (0) if the Company's annualized TSR for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period is less than the median total shareholder return of the companies listed in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period but shall be eighty-five percent (85%) of the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value if the Company's TSR for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period equals the median total shareholder return of the companies listed in the Standard & Poor's 500 Index for the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Measurement Period and shall equal one hundred percent (100%) of the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant Target Value if the Company's annualized TSR is zero percent (0%). For all purposes, straight-line interpolation will apply to performance levels between the levels set forth in this paragraph.

(c) The Executive shall be granted an incentive award (the "2021 Long-Term Performance Grant") having a Grant Date Value determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion after consultation with the Executive according to the valuation criteria

applicable to long-term grant values described in Section 6(a), but based on an assumed increase in the long-term incentive values among companies in the Company's general industry by applying a multiple of 1.44 to the Grant Date Value of the Executive's 2017 long-term incentive award (the "2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value"). The maximum share value or cash value under the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant shall be one point five (1.5) times the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value (the "Maximum 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value"). Except as otherwise provided herein, the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant shall be paid in fiscal year 2022. The amount payable under the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant shall, except as provided in the last sentence of this Section 6(c), be based on the Company's cumulative annual operating income for the period commencing on January 1, 2017 and ending with December 31, 2021 (the "Cumulative OI") and except as provided herein shall vest on March 31, 2022 if, and only if the Compensation Committee determines that the Cumulative Operating Income is ninety percent (90%) or more of the sum of the 2017 through 2021 annual operating plan operating income objectives, with such operating income objectives for purposes of the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant to be the same as the 2017 through 2018 AOP OI Objectives applicable to the Executive's 2016 Performance Share Unit award, and to be determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion after consultation with the Executive for each of 2019, 2020 and 2021 (the "Cumulative OI Objectives"). If the Cumulative OI falls at any point between ninety percent (90%) and one hundred percent (100%) of the Cumulative OI Objectives, the share value or cash value that shall be received by the Executive with regard to the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant on the applicable vesting date shall be equal to the 2021

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Long-Term Performance Grant Value. If the Cumulative OI is one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the Cumulative OI Objectives, the share value or cash value that shall be received with regard to the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant on the applicable vesting date shall be equal to the Maximum Long-Term Performance Grant Value. If the Cumulative OI is greater than one hundred percent (100%) but less than one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of the Cumulative OI Objectives, the share value or cash value that shall be received with regard to the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant on the applicable vesting date shall be determined based on straight line interpolation between one hundred percent (100%) of the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value and the Maximum Long-Term Performance Grant Value. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Compensation Committee in its discretion may determine, following consultation with Executive, that the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant shall vest based on a five (5) year operating income operating plan approved by the Compensation Committee rather than the foregoing criteria.

- In the event that, during the Employment Period while the Executive is the Chief Executive Officer of the Company, the Company consummates the transaction, or a series of related transactions, that the Compensation Committee certifies is the "Transformative Transaction," as determined in the discretion of the Compensation Committee in accordance with the "Determination Principles" set forth below, the Executive will receive an award (the "Transformative Transaction Award") in shares or cash equal to between one hundred percent (100%) and one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value set forth in Section 6(c). For purposes of this <u>Section 6(d)</u>, in order for the transaction or series of transactions consummated by the Company to be eligible to qualify as the Transformative Transaction, such transaction or series of transactions must satisfy the following Determination Principles: (i) the transaction or series of transactions must result in accretive value to the Company's then-shareholders of at least fifteen percent (15%) or more over the Company's market capitalization as of the date immediately prior to the public announcement of the transaction (or if a series of transactions, measured from the date of the public announcement of the first transaction in such series) (the "Accretive Factor") and (ii) the Accretive Factor must be maintained for a period of six (6) consecutive calendar months from the date of the consummation of the transaction (or if the Accretive Factor is achieved as a result of a series of transactions, six (6) consecutive calendar months from the date of the consummation of the last transaction in such series) (the "Transformative Transaction Measurement Period"). If the Accretive Factor is maintained for the Transformative Transaction Measurement Period, the Compensation Committee will determine in its discretion at the end of the Transformative Transaction Measurement Period whether the Transformative Transaction has occurred, and if the Compensation Committee determines in its discretion that the Transformative Transaction has occurred, the Compensation Committee will so certify in writing to the Executive (the "Certification Date"). The Executive will receive the Transformative Transaction Award within thirty (30) days following the Certification Date. If the Accretive Factor as determined by the Compensation Committee is equal to fifteen percent (15%), the Transformative Transaction Award will equal one hundred percent (100%) of the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value. If the Accretive Factor as determined by the Compensation Committee is equal to thirty percent (30%) or more, the Transformative Transaction Award will equal one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value. If the Accretive Factor as determined by the Compensation Committee is between fifteen percent (15%) and thirty percent (30%), the value of the Transformative Transaction award will be determined based on straight line interpolation between one hundred percent (100%) and one hundred fifty percent (150%) of the 2021 Long-Term performance Grant Value.
 - **Termination**. The employment by the Company Group of the Executive shall be terminated as provided in this <u>Section 7</u>:
 - (a) **Death**. Upon the Executive's death ("**Death**").

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(b) **Disability**.

(i) The Company or the Executive, upon not less than ninety (90) days written notice to the other party ("*Disability Notice*"), may terminate the employment by the Company of the Executive if the Executive has been unable, by reason of physical or mental disability, to render, for 120 successive days or for shorter periods aggregating 210 days or more in any twelve (12) month period, services of the character contemplated by this Agreement and will be unable to resume providing such services within the thirty (30) day period after such disability notice (such circumstances being referred to as "*Disability*").

- (ii) The determination of whether the Executive has become Disabled within the meaning of this Section 7(b) shall be made (A) in the case of a termination of employment by the Company, by a medical doctor selected by the Company in consultation with Executive's primary care physician, or (B) in the case of a termination of employment by the Executive, by the Executive's medical doctor. In the event the Company gives a notice of termination of employment under this Section 7(b), the Executive or his representative may at any time prior to the effective date of termination contest the termination and cause a determination of Disability to be made by Executive's medical doctor. In the event the Executive gives a notice of termination of employment under this Section 7(b), the Company may at any time prior to the effective date of termination contest the termination and cause a determination of Disability to be made by a medical doctor selected by the Company. In either case, if such medical doctors do not agree with regard to the determination of Disability, they shall mutually choose a third medical doctor to examine the Executive, and the Disability determination of such third medical doctor shall be binding upon both the Company and the Executive.
- (c) **Without Cause**. By the Company, for any reason other than Death, Cause or Disability, but only upon a vote of a majority of the entire Board (or such other vote required pursuant to the By-Laws) at a meeting duly called and held at which the Executive shall have the right to be present and be heard.
- (d) **Cause**. By the Company, for Cause, but only upon a vote of a majority of the entire Board at a meeting duly called and held at which Executive shall have the right to be present and be heard. The term "*Cause*" means (i) any act of fraud or embezzlement in respect of the Company or its funds, properties or assets; (ii) conviction of or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a felony under the laws of the United States or any state thereof; (iii) willful misconduct or gross negligence by the Executive in connection with the performance of his duties that has caused or is highly likely to cause severe harm to the Company; (iv) intentional dishonesty by the Executive in the performance of his duties hereunder which has a material adverse effect on the Company; or (v) a material breach by the Executive of his material obligations under this Agreement. If, prior to the occurrence of an event specified in Section 7(d)(ii), the Company terminates the Executive's employment without Cause after the Executive has been indicted for, accused of or charged with a felony, the full amount of any amounts paid to or received by the Executive from Company as a result of such termination without Cause shall be promptly repaid to the Company upon the occurrence of an event specified in Section 7(d)(ii).

In the case of any termination for Cause, the Company shall provide the Executive with a Notice of Termination (as defined in Section 8) giving the Executive at least sixty (60) days written notice of its intent to terminate this Agreement and his employment. The Notice of Termination shall specify (x) the effective date of his termination and (y) the particular acts or circumstances that constitute Cause for such termination. The Executive shall be given the opportunity within fifteen (15) days after receiving the notice to explain why Cause does not exist or ,solely with respect to clause (v) above, to cure any basis for Cause. Within fifteen (15) days after any such explanation or cure, the Company will make its final determination regarding whether Cause exists and deliver such determination to the Executive in writing.

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If the final decision is that Cause exists and no permitted cure has occurred, the Executive's employment with the Company shall be terminated for Cause as of the Date of Termination (as defined in Section 8) specified in the Notice of Termination. If the final decision is that Cause does not exist or a permitted cure has occurred, the Executive's employment with the Company shall not be terminated for Cause at that time. The Board may suspend the Executive with pay and benefits (which shall not be less than the Executive's pay as in effect immediately prior to such suspension) during the foregoing period and it shall not constitute Good Reason.

- (e) **Resignation**. By the Executive, other than for Good Reason ("*Resignation*").
- Good Reason. By the Executive, for Good Reason. As used herein, the term "Good Reason" means that, without the Executive's prior written consent, there shall have occurred: (i) a reduction in the Executive's Base Salary or target Annual Bonus; (ii) a material reduction in the Executive's benefits as set forth in Section 4(a), 4(d) or 4(e); (iii) the assignment to the Executive of any duties materially inconsistent with the Executive's position, duties, responsibilities, authority or status with the Company or a material adverse change in the Executive's duties, responsibilities, authorities, reporting responsibilities, titles or offices as in effect prior to such assignment or change, including without limitation the Executive ceasing to have the title of Chief Executive Officer of the Company (and the successor or ultimate parent entity of the Company, following a Change of Control); (iv) the Executive's failure to be nominated for election as a member of the Board at the expiration of each term of office; (v) the Company's material breach or failure to perform, when due, any of its obligations under this Agreement; (vi) any purported termination of Executive's employment which is not effected pursuant to a Notice of Termination satisfying the applicable requirements with respect to Section 8; (vii) a determination by the Executive, made in good faith, that the Executive is not able to discharge his duties effectively by reason of directives from the Board requiring the Executive to perform duties not directly related to the operations of the Company; or (viii) any purported termination of the Executive's employment by the Company in violation of the By-Laws (which purported termination shall be ineffective). For the avoidance of doubt, the failure to pay the Executive an Annual Bonus or the payment of an Annual Bonus that is less than the Executive's target Annual Bonus, in each case as a result of the Company failing to achieve the financial and business objectives established by the Compensation Committee for the fiscal year to which the Annual Bonus relates shall not constitute Good Reason hereunder.

In the case of any termination for Good Reason, the Executive shall provide the Company with a notice within sixty (60) days of the first occurrence of the event giving rise to Good Reason, giving the Company at least thirty (30) days written notice of his intent to terminate this Agreement and his employment. The notice shall specify the particular acts or circumstances that constitute Good Reason for such termination. The Company shall be given the opportunity within thirty (30) days after receiving the notice to cure any basis for Good Reason. If no cure is effected, the Executive's resignation shall be effective as of the Date of Termination (as defined in Section 8) specified in a Notice of Termination given by the Executive, which in no event shall be later than sixty (60) days following the Notice of Termination. If a cure is effected, the Executive's resignation shall not be effective at that time.

8. Notice and Date of Termination. (a) Any termination of the Executive's employment with the Company Group under Section 7, other than by reason of Death, shall be communicated by written Notice of Termination from the terminating party to the other party

hereto. For purposes of this Agreement, a "Notice of Termination" shall mean a notice which shall indicate the specific termination provision in this Agreement relied upon and shall set forth in reasonable detail the facts and circumstances claimed to provide a basis for termination of the Executive's employment under the provision so indicated. The effective date of any termination of the Executive's employment (the "Date of Termination") shall be:

(i) if the Executive's employment is terminated by Death, the date of the Executive's death;

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- (ii) if the Executive's employment is terminated without Cause or by the Executive for Good Reason, the date specified in the Notice of Termination;
- (iii) if the Executive's employment is terminated by reason of Disability, (A) thirty (30) days after the Disability Notice or (B) upon a final determination, pursuant to Section 7(b) above, as the case may be, whichever is later; provided that the Executive shall not have returned to the full-time performance of his duties during such period; and
- (iv) if the Executive's employment is terminated on account of Cause or Resignation, the date specified in the Notice of Termination, which shall be no less than ten (10) nor more than thirty (30) days after such Notice of Termination is given.
- (b) The Executive agrees to resign, on the Date of Termination, as an officer and director of the Company and any member of the Company Group, as applicable, and as a fiduciary of any benefit plan of the Company or any member of the Company Group, as applicable, and to promptly execute and provide to the Company any further documentation, as requested by the Company, to confirm such resignation.
- **9.** Compensation Upon Termination. Upon the termination of the Executive's employment with the Company Group pursuant to Section 7, the Executive's rights and the Company's obligations under this Agreement shall immediately terminate except as provided in Section 20(n), and the Executive (or his heirs or estate, as applicable) shall be entitled to receive the amounts or benefits set forth below. The payments and benefits provided pursuant to this Section 9 are (x) provided in lieu of any severance or income continuation protection under any plan of the Company Group that may now or hereafter exist, (y) provided in addition to any payments the Executive (or his beneficiaries or estate, as applicable) may be entitled to receive pursuant to any pension or employee benefit plan or disability or life insurance policy maintained by the Company Group, and (z) except as provided in Section 20(n), deemed to satisfy and be in full and final settlement of all obligations of the Company Group to the Executive under this Agreement. The Executive shall have no further right to receive any other compensation or benefits following the Date of Termination for any reason except as set forth in this Section 9.
- (a) **Compensation Upon Death**. In the event of a termination of the Executive's employment with the Company Group upon Death, the Executive's heirs, successors or legal representatives shall be entitled to receive:
 - (i) the Base Salary through the Date of Termination, any earned but unpaid Annual Bonus for any prior fiscal year, and any reimbursement due to Executive pursuant to <u>Section 4</u> (the "*Accrued Obligations*");
 - (ii) an amount equal to the Annual Bonus the Executive earned for the fiscal year immediately preceding the fiscal year in which the Date of Termination occurs, multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days worked during the fiscal year in which the Date of Termination occurs and the denominator of which is 365 (the "*Pro Rata Annual Bonus*");
 - (iii) the Executive and his then current spouse and minor children, if any, shall receive the same level of health/medical insurance or coverage provided immediately prior to the Date of Termination on a non-taxable basis for two (2) years, subject to general changes in policies for actively-employed senior executives, with the cost of such continued insurance or coverage being borne by the Company and provided through the Company's payment of applicable COBRA premiums or such other means as the Company shall determine;

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- (iv) all of Executive's outstanding Company equity or equity-based awards, the vesting of which is based solely on the passage of time and Executive's continued performance of services to the Company ("*Time-Based Awards*"), shall immediately become vested and/or exercisable as applicable and all outstanding options to purchase Company Common Stock granted to the Executive at any time prior to or after the Effective Date (the "*Options*") shall remain exercisable until the earlier of five (5) years from the date of Executive's Date of Termination or their original expiration date; <u>provided</u> that the foregoing shall not extend the exercise period under any stock options outstanding as of the Effective Date; and
- (v) all of Executive's outstanding Company equity or equity-based awards, the vesting of which is based in whole or in part on the attainment of one or more performance targets, the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant and the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant (collectively "*Performance-Based Awards*"), shall, subject to the terms of the applicable plan, remain outstanding and become vested based on the attainment of such awards' performance targets as if Executive remained continuously employed through such time or times each such award would otherwise vest and become payable in accordance with its terms without regard to Executive's death.

- (b) **Compensation Upon Disability**. In the event of termination of the Executive's employment with the Company Group for Disability,
 - (i) the Executive shall be entitled to receive the Accrued Obligations;
 - (ii) the Executive shall be entitled to receive the Pro Rata Annual Bonus;
 - (iii) the Executive shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to one (1) times his Base Salary;
 - (iv) the Executive and his then current spouse and minor children, if any, shall receive the same level of health/medical insurance or coverage provided immediately prior to the Date of Termination on a non-taxable basis for two (2) years, subject to general changes in policies for actively-employed senior executives, with the cost of such continued insurance or coverage being borne by the Company and provided through the Company's payment of applicable COBRA premiums or such other means as the Company shall determine; and
 - (v) all of Executive's Time-Based Awards shall immediately become vested and/or exercisable as applicable and all Options shall remain exercisable until the earlier of five (5) years from the date of Executive's Date of Termination or their original expiration date; <u>provided</u> that the foregoing shall not extend the exercise period under any stock options outstanding as of the Effective Date; and
 - (vi) all of Executive's Performance-Based Awards, shall, subject to the terms of the applicable plan, remain outstanding and become vested based on the attainment of such awards' performance targets as if Executive remained continuously employed through such time or times each such award would otherwise vest and become payable in accordance with its terms without regard to Executive's Disability.

Payment or treatment of the amounts and equity under <u>Section 9(b)</u>, other than the Accrued Obligations, is expressly conditioned upon the Executive's execution of a waiver and release agreement in the form attached as Exhibit C to this Agreement (the "*Release*") and the Release becoming effective and irrevocable in its entirety within ninety (90) days after the Executive's Date of Termination (the "*Release Period*," and the date on which the Release has become effective and irrevocable, the "*Release Date*").

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Notwithstanding the above, if the Executive's Disability is not such that the Executive is "disabled" for purposes of Section 409A(a)(2)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "*Code*"), the payments and benefits described in this Section 9(b) shall be subject to Section 20(d).

- (c) **Compensation Upon Resignation Or Termination For Cause**. In the event of termination of the Executive's employment with the Company upon Resignation or termination for Cause:
 - (i) the Executive shall be entitled to receive the Accrued Obligations;
 - (ii) upon a termination for Cause, all vested Options shall expire on the Date of Termination; and
 - (iii) upon a Resignation, all vested options will expire on the earlier of (A) their original expiration date or (B) the later of (x) ninety (90) days following the Date of Termination and (y) the first date on which the Executive may sell shares of Company Common Stock over the primary exchange on which such Common Stock is listed for trading in accordance with applicable law and any applicable Company policy; <u>provided</u> that the foregoing shall not extend the exercise period under any stock options outstanding as of the Effective Date.
- (d) Compensation Upon Termination By Executive For Good Reason Or By The Company Without Cause. In the event the Executive's employment with the Company is terminated by the Executive for Good Reason or by the Company without Cause other than a termination during the twelve (12) month period following the effective date of a Change of Control:
 - (i) the Executive shall be entitled to receive the Accrued Obligations;
 - (ii) the Executive shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to the Annual Bonus the Executive earns for the fiscal year during which the Date of Termination occurs, multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days worked during the fiscal year in which the Date of Termination occurs and the denominator of which is 365 (the "Current Pro Rata Annual Bonus");
 - (iii) the Executive shall be entitled to receive an amount equal to two (2) multiplied by the sum of (x) the Base Salary in effect on the Date of Termination and (y) the target value of the Executive's 2016 annual bonus;
 - (iv) the Executive and his then current spouse and minor children, if any, shall receive the same level of health/medical insurance or coverage provided immediately prior to the Date of Termination on a non-taxable basis for two (2) years, subject to general changes in policies for actively-employed senior executives, with the cost of such continued insurance or coverage being borne by the Company and provided through the Company's payment of applicable COBRA premiums or such other means as the Company shall determine;

- (v) all of Executive's Time-Based Awards shall immediately become vested and/or exercisable as applicable and all Options shall remain exercisable until the earlier of five (5) years from the date of Executive's Date of Termination or their original expiration date; <u>provided</u> that the foregoing shall not extend the exercise period under any stock options outstanding as of the Effective Date; and
- (vi) all of Executive's Performance-Based Awards, shall, subject to the terms of the applicable plan (including with respect to treatment of awards upon a change of control), remain outstanding and become vested and payable based on the attainment of such awards'

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performance targets as if Executive remained continuously employed through such time or times each such award would otherwise vest and become payable in accordance with its terms without regard to Executive's termination of employment.

Payment or treatment of the amounts and equity under <u>Section 9(d)</u>, other than the Accrued Obligations, is expressly conditioned upon the Executive's execution of a Release and such Release becoming effective and irrevocable in its entirety on or prior to the last day of the Release Period.

- (e) **No Mitigation**. The Executive shall not be required to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Section 9 or in Section 10 by seeking other employment or otherwise, nor shall the amount of any payment or benefit provided for in this Section 9 or in Section 10 be reduced by any compensation earned by him as the result of employment by another employer or by retirement benefits after the Date of Termination or otherwise, except as specifically provided in this Section 9 or in Section 10.
- (f) **Time and Form of Payment of Severance Amounts.** Subject to Section 20(d), (i) the Pro Rata Annual Bonus shall be paid to the Executive on the first (1st) business day following the Release Date; provided, however, that if the Release Period begins in one taxable year and ends in the subsequent taxable year, the Pro Rata Annual Bonus shall be paid on the later of the Release Date or the first business day of such subsequent taxable year; (ii) the Current Pro Rata Bonus shall be paid to the Executive during the fiscal year following the year in which the Date of Termination occurs on the date that annual bonuses relating to the fiscal year in which the Date of Termination occurs; (iii) the Accrued Obligations will be paid to the Executive in a lump sum not later than the tenth (10th) business day following the Date of Termination; and (iv) the amounts payable pursuant to Sections 9(b)(iii), 9(d)(iii), and, except as provided therein, 10(b)(iii), will be paid in equal installments over the twelve (12) month period commencing on the Release Date in accordance with the Company's payroll practices as in effect from time to time; provided, however, that if the Release Period begins in one taxable year and ends in the subsequent taxable year such payments shall commence on the later of the Release Date or the first business day of such subsequent taxable year, provided further, however, that payment of such severance amounts shall immediately cease, and the Executive shall have no further rights with respect to such amounts, if the Executive has violated any of the provisions set forth in Sections 13, 14 or 15.
- **10. Change of Control**. (a) For purposes of this Agreement, a "*Change of Control*" shall be deemed to occur upon the occurrence of any of the following events:
 - (i) any "person" or "group" (as such terms are used in Section 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder) is or becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 25% of the total outstanding voting stock of the Company;
 - (ii) the individuals who constitute the Board as of the Effective Date (the "*Incumbent Board*") cease to constitute a majority of the Board, for any reason(s) other than (A) the voluntary resignation of one or more Board members; or (B) the removal of one or more directors by the Company's shareholders for good cause; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u> (1) that if the nomination or election of any new director of the Company was approved by a majority of the Incumbent Board, such new director shall be deemed a member of the Incumbent Board and (2) that no individual shall be considered a member of the Incumbent Board if such individual initially assumed office as a result of either an actual or threatened "*Election Contest*" (as described in Rule

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14a-11 promulgated under the Exchange Act) or as a result of a solicitation of proxies or consents by or on behalf of any "*person*" or "*group*" identified in clause (a) (i) above; or

- (iii) the Company consolidates with, or merges with or into another person or entity or conveys, transfers, leases or otherwise disposes of all or substantially all of its assets to any person or entity, or any person or entity consolidates with or merges with or into the Company; provided, however that any such transaction shall not constitute a Change of Control if the shareholders of the Company immediately before such transaction own, directly or indirectly, immediately following such transaction in excess of sixty-five percent (65%) of the combined voting power of the outstanding voting securities of the corporation or other person or entity resulting from such transaction in substantially the same proportion as their ownership of the voting securities of the Company immediately before such transaction.
- (iv) For purposes of this subsection, the term "*Affiliate*" means, with respect to any individual or a corporation, partnership, trust, incorporated or unincorporated association, joint venture, limited liability company, joint stock company, government

(or an agency or political subdivision thereof) or other entity of any kind (each a "*Person*"), any other Person that directly or indirectly controls or is controlled by or under common control with such Person. For the purposes of this definition, "*Control*," when used with respect to any Person, means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise; and the terms of "*Affiliated*," "*Controlling*" and "*Controlled*" have meanings correlative to the foregoing.

- (b) In the event that the Executive is an employee of the Company at the moment immediately prior to a Change of Control and the Executive is then terminated without Cause or terminates for Good Reason upon or within twelve (12) months after the Change of Control:
 - (i) all Options shall remain exercisable until their original expiration date, without regard to the terms of any option agreement or option certificate applicable to any Options, <u>provided</u> that neither the foregoing nor anything else in this Agreement is meant to modify the Company's rights on a corporate transaction under the applicable equity plan; and <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, that the foregoing shall not extend the exercise period under any stock options outstanding as of the Effective Date;
 - (ii) the Executive will immediately vest in and be paid, upon such termination, subject to Section 20(d) and subject further to the terms of any applicable plans with regard to treatment upon a change in control, the 2016 Performance Share Units, the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant and the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant, with vesting and payment in each case determined based upon the greater of (x) target performance and (y) actual performance as determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion immediately prior to the consummation of the Change of Control based upon the Compensation Committee's assessment of the projected performance through the end of the applicable performance period; and
 - (iii) the Executive shall be entitled to the benefits set forth in Sections $9(\underline{d})(\underline{i})$, $9(\underline{d})(\underline{i}\underline{i})$, $9(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})$, $9(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})$, $9(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})$, $9(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})$, $9(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})$, $9(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})$, $9(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})(\underline{d})$, $9(\underline{d})(\underline{d$
- (c) With respect to each Outstanding Option (as defined below) as of the date of the Change of Control, in the event that the Closing Share Value (as defined below) is greater than the exercise price of any such Outstanding Option, subject to the provisions of the applicable plan, then the Executive shall have the right, separately with respect to each of the Outstanding Options, to either (A) retain the

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Outstanding Options, (B) exercise the Outstanding Options, or (C) forfeit the Outstanding Options and receive, in exchange therefor, a cash payment equal to the number of shares of Company Common Stock underlying the Outstanding Options multiplied by the amount that the Closing Share Value exceeds the exercise price of the Outstanding Options. For purposes of this Section 10(c):

- (i) "Closing Share Value" shall mean the Closing Price of the shares of the Company Common Stock on the date of the Change of Control or termination, as the case may be;
- (ii) the "Closing Price" of a share of Company Common Stock on any date shall mean the last sale price, regular way, or, in case no such sale takes place on such date, the average of the closing bid and asked prices, regular way, in either case as reported in the principal consolidated transaction reporting system with respect to securities listed on the principal national securities exchange on which the such shares are listed or admitted to trading or, if such shares are not listed or admitted to trading on any national securities exchange, the last quoted price, or if not so quoted, the average of the highest bid and lowest ask prices in the overthe-counter market, as reported by NASDAQ or, if such system is no longer used, the principal other automated quotation system that may then be in use or, if such shares are not quoted by any such organization, the average of the closing bid and asked prices as furnished by a professional market maker making market in the shares as such person is selected from time to time by the Board or, if there are no professional market makers making a market in the shares, then the value as determined in good faith judgment of the Board; and
- (iii) the term "Outstanding Options" with reference to a particular date shall mean all vested options to purchase Company Common Stock held by the Executive as of such date, including options which vest and become exercisable pursuant to Section 10(b).

11. <u>Code Section 280G</u>.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, to the extent that any amount, equity awards or benefits paid or distributed to the Executive pursuant to this Agreement or any other agreement, plan or arrangement between the Company or its subsidiaries or affiliates, on the one hand, and the Executive on the other hand (collectively, the "280G Payments") (i) constitute a "parachute payment" within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code and (ii) but for this provision would be subject to the excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code (the "Excise Tax", then the 280G Payments shall be payable either (a) in full, notwithstanding that some or all portion of such payment may be subject to the Excise Tax or (b) in such lesser amount that would result in no portion of such 280G Payments being subject to Excise Tax, whichever of the foregoing amounts, taking into account the applicable federal, state and local income or excise taxes (including the Excise Tax) results in Executive's receipt on an after-tax basis, of the greatest amount or benefits under this Agreement, notwithstanding that all or some portion of such benefits may be taxable under Section 4999 of the Code.
- (b) To the extent permitted by applicable law, and not a violation of Code Sections 280G, 409A or 4999, Executive shall be entitled to elect the order in which payments will be reduced. If the Executive electing the order in which payments will be reduced would result in violation of Code Section 409A or loss of the benefit of reduction under Code Sections 280G or 4999, payments shall be reduced in the following order (i) severance payment based on multiple of Base Salary and/or Annual Bonus; (ii) other cash payments; (iii) any Current

stock subject to the option, provided such options are permitted to be valued under Treasury Regulations Section 1.280G-1 Q/A - 24(c); (vii) acceleration of vesting of all other stock options and equity awards; and (viii) within any category, reductions shall be from the last due payment to the first.

- (c) All determinations required to be made under this <u>Section 11</u>, including whether the Executive will receive a full payment or a reduced payment and the assumptions to be utilized in arriving at such determination, shall be made by a nationally recognized certified public accounting firm as may be designated by the Company and reasonably acceptable to the Executive (the "*Accounting Firm*"), which Accounting Firm shall provide detailed supporting calculations both to the Company and the Executive within fifteen (15) business days of the receipt of notice from the Company that there is or may be made a 280G Payment. All fees and expenses of the Accounting Firm shall be borne solely by the Company. Any determination by the Accounting Firm shall be binding upon the Company and the Executive.
- Shareholder Value Creation Incentive. In the event that, at any time prior to December 31, 2021, the closing trading price of a share of the Company's common stock equals or exceeds two (2) times the average closing price of the Company's common stock as determined during the period beginning on October 1, 2016 and ending on December 31, 2016, after taking in account any "Adjustments" (as defined below), and remains at or above that level for at least ninety (90) consecutive trading days (the "Shareholder Value Creation Date"), (A) any then outstanding equity compensation awards granted under Section 6(a) hereof that are held by the Executive shall become vested with respect to 100% of the shares subject thereto (with the number of shares subject to performance based awards determined assuming attainment of the "maximum" level of performance), (B) a payment in shares or cash, as determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion, equal to the Grant Date Value, as determined by the Compensation Committee in its discretion after consultation with the Executive, of any annual equity grants remaining to be made during the Employment Period pursuant to Section 6(a), above, shall be made one hundred twenty (120) days after the Shareholder Value Creation Date, with the amount and terms of such payment to be made in accordance with the principles set forth in Section 6 and (C) the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant shall be paid one hundred twenty (120) days after the Shareholder Value Creation Date, with the amount payable pursuant to the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant to be no less than one point five (1.5) times the 2021 Long-Term Performance Grant Value. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Section 12 shall be construed to apply in any way to the 2020 Long-Term Performance Grant, which shall not be accelerated or settled as a consequence of the terms of this Section 12. For purposes of this Section 12, "Adjustments" shall mean adjustments to the deemed price of the Company's common stock under that are determined by the Compensation Committee, in its discretion, to be equitably required to prevent dilution or enlargement arising from any stock dividend, extraordinary dividend, stock split or reverse stock split, or other change in the capital structure of the Company substantially similar to and having an effect similar to any of the foregoing.
- 13. <u>Non-Solicitation</u>. During the Employment Period and for two (2) years thereafter (the "*Restricted Period*"), the Executive covenants and agrees that he shall not directly interfere with or attempt to interfere with the relationship between the Company Group and any person who is, or was during the then most recent six (6) -month period, an officer or employee of the Company Group or solicit, induce, hire or attempt to solicit, induce or hire any of them to leave the employ of any member of the Company Group or violate the terms of their respective contracts, or any employment arrangements, with such entities.
- **14.** <u>Non-Competition</u>. During the Employment Period, the Executive shall not engage (including, without limitation, as an officer, director, shareholder, owner, partner, joint venturer, member or in a managerial capacity, or as an employee, independent contractor, consultant, advisor or sales representative) in any Competitive Business (as hereinafter defined). For purposes of determining whether the Executive is permitted to be a shareholder of a corporation engaged in a Competitive Business, the

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Executive's ownership of less than 5% of the issued and outstanding securities of any company shall be permitted. The Company and the Executive further agree that Executive's ownership of 5% or more of the issued and outstanding securities of a Competitive Business shall be permitted if such acquisition or event arises through third-party investments where the Executive does not control or intentionally influence the investment decision; provided, that during the Employment Period the Executive regularly uses commercially reasonable efforts to determine whether his ownership exceeds 5% and upon any such determination by the Executive, the Executive shall promptly inform the Governance Committee of the Board and cooperate in good faith with the Governance Committee to address and resolve any conflicts of interest and corporate governance issues arising from such ownership. As used herein, the term "Competitive Business" shall mean any business in which the Company is then actively engaged or about which the Board is engaged in active discussions as a possible expansion of the Company's business.

- (a) As used herein, the term "*Territory*" shall mean:
- (i) The following counties in the State of California: Alameda, Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Humboldt, Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Lake, Lassen, Los Angeles, Madera, Marin, Mariposa, Mendocino, Merced, Modoc, Mono, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Orange, Placer, Plumas, Riverside, Sacramento, San Benito,

San Bernardino, San Diego, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, Ventura, Yolo, and Yuba;

- (ii) Each and every county or other political or geographical subdivision in the balance of the United States of America and the dependent territories of the United States of America; and
 - (iii) Each and every county or other political or geographical subdivision in the world.
- **15.** <u>Confidential Information</u>. (a) The Executive has executed or, if not previously executed, agrees to execute and be bound by the terms and conditions of an Employee Proprietary Information Agreement ("*Proprietary Information Agreement*"), attached hereto as Exhibit A. During the Restricted Period, the Executive shall not use the confidential, trade secret information of the Company Group or any other unlawful means to directly or indirectly solicit, induce or entice any employee, client, customer, contractor, licensor, agent, partner or other business relationship of the Company Group to terminate, discontinue, renegotiate or otherwise cease or modify its relationship with the Company Group.
- (b) Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision in this Agreement or otherwise, nothing herein shall prohibit the Executive from reporting possible violations of federal or state law or regulation to any governmental agency or entity or self-regulatory organization including but not limited to the Department of Justice, the Securities and Exchange Commission, Congress, and any agency Inspector General, or making other disclosures that are protected under the whistleblower provisions of federal or state law or regulation (it being understood that the Executive does not need the Company's prior authorization to make any such reports or disclosures and the Executive is not required to notify the Company that the Executive has made such reports or disclosures).
- (c) Non-compliance with the disclosure provisions of this Agreement shall not subject the Executive to criminal or civil liability under any federal or state trade secret law for the disclosure of a Company trade secret: (i) in confidence to a federal, state or local government official, either directly or indirectly, or to an attorney in confidence solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law; (ii) in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, provided that any complaint or document containing the trade secret is filed under seal; or (iii) to an attorney representing

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the Executive in a lawsuit for retaliation by the Company for reporting a suspected violation of law or to use the trade secret information in that court proceeding, provided that any document containing the trade secret is filed under seal and the Executive does not disclose the trade secret, except pursuant to court order.

- **16. Unenforceability.** If any of the rights or restrictions contained or provided for in this Agreement shall be deemed by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable by reason of the extent, duration or geographical scope, the parties hereto contemplate that the court shall reduce such extent, duration, geographical scope and enforce this Agreement in its reduced form for all purposes in the manner contemplated hereby. Should any of the provisions of this Agreement require judicial interpretation, it is agreed that the court interpreting or construing this Agreement shall not apply a presumption that any provision shall be more strictly construed against one party by reason of the rule of construction that a document is to be construed more strictly against the party who itself or through its agents prepared the same, it being agreed that both parties and their respective agents have participated in the preparation of this Agreement.
- **17.** <u>Injunctive Relief.</u> The Executive agrees that the restrictions and covenants contained in Section 13, 14 and 15 and in the Proprietary Information Agreement are necessary for the protection of the Company and any breach thereof will cause the Company irreparable damages for which there is no adequate remedy at law. The Executive further agrees that, in the event of a breach by the Executive of any of the Executive's obligations under this Agreement, the Company shall have the absolute right, in addition to any other remedy that might be available to it, to obtain from any court having jurisdiction, such equitable relief as might be appropriate, including temporary, interlocutory, preliminary and permanent decrees or injunctions enjoining any further breach of such provisions.
- 18. <u>Indemnification and Attorneys' Fees</u>. During the Employment Period and thereafter, the Company shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the Executive to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law and the Company's articles of incorporation and by-laws in effect from time to time from all damages, claims, losses, and costs and expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees) arising out of, in connection with, or relating to all acts or omissions taken or not taken by the Executive in good faith while performing services for the Company, and shall further promptly reimburse the Executive for all expenses (including attorney's fees) incurred in (i) enforcing this Agreement and (ii) to a maximum of \$80,000, in negotiating and drafting this Agreement. The Company shall use its best efforts to continue to maintain an insurance policy covering the officers and directors of the Company against claims and/or lawsuits, at least as favorable as such policy that is currently in effect, and shall cause the Executive to be covered under such policy upon the same terms and conditions as other similarly situated officers and directors during the Employment Period and for a period of at least six (6) years thereafter.
- **19. Waiver**. The Executive hereby waives any and all rights and payments under the Prior Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, if the Executive provides a Notice of Termination on account of Resignation on the Effective Date and effective on such date, then this Agreement shall be terminated without liability to the Executive.

20. Miscellaneous.

(a) **No Violation**. It shall not be a violation of this Agreement for the Executive to engage in any activity which is not inconsistent with the Company's interests and prospects, including, without limitation, (a) serving on civic or charitable boards or committees; (b) serving as a director of any company that is not in a Competitive Business; (c) delivering lectures, fulfilling speaking engagements or teaching at educational institutions; (d) managing personal investments; (e) serving as an officer or director of entities formed to manage

performance of the Executive's duties and responsibilities hereunder. It is expressly understood and agreed that to the extent that any activity has been conducted by the Executive prior to the Effective Date (including, but not limited to, Executive's current status as a board member or officer of Coca-Cola (KO), The Center for Early Education, Harvard-Westlake School, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, 1011 Foundation, Inc., Cove Partners LLC, and RTMH, Inc.), the continued conduct of such activity (or the conduct of an activity similar in nature and scope thereto) during the Employment Period has been determined by the Company not to interfere with the performance of the Executive's duties and responsibilities to the Company and therefore is not a violation of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Executive's engagement in such activities shall be subject to and governed by the governance rules in effect from time to time applicable to members of the Board, including the Company's Corporate Governance Principles and Policies.

- (b) **Severability**. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable under existing or future laws effective during the Employment Period, such provisions shall be fully severable, the Agreement shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision had never comprised a part of this Agreement, and the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and shall not be affected by the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision or by its severance from this Agreement. Furthermore, in lieu of such illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision, there shall be added automatically as part of this Agreement a provision as similar in terms to such illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision as may be possible and be legal and enforceable.
- (c) **Withholding**. The Company may withhold from any payments made under the Agreement all federal, state, city or other applicable taxes as shall be required pursuant to any law, governmental regulation or ruling.

(d) Section 409A.

- (i) This Agreement is intended to comply with, or be exempt from, Section 409A of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder ("*Section 409A*"), and will be interpreted, administered and operated in a manner consistent with that intent. If any amounts that become due under <u>Sections 9</u> or <u>10</u> of this Agreement constitute "nonqualified deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A, payment of such amounts shall not commence until the Executive incurs a "Separation from Service" (as defined below) if and only if necessary to avoid accelerated taxation or tax penalties in respect of such amounts.
- (ii) Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if the Executive is a "Specified Employee," for purposes of Section 409A, on the date on which he incurs a Separation from Service, any payment hereunder that provides for the "deferral of compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A shall be paid on the first (1st) business day after the date that is six (6) months following the Executive's "Separation from Service" (the "409A Delayed Payment Date"); provided, however, that such delay shall apply if and only if necessary to avoid accelerated taxation or tax penalties in respect of such amounts; provided, further, that a payment delayed pursuant to the preceding clause shall commence earlier than the 409A Delayed Payment Date in the event of the Executive's Death prior to the end of the six (6) month period. On the 409A Delayed Payment Date, the Executive shall be paid a lump sum payment in cash equal to any payments delayed because of the preceding sentence (the "Catch-Up Amount"), plus interest on the Catch-Up Amount equal to the short term federal rate applicable under Section 7872(f)(2)(A) of the Code for the month in which occurs the Executive's Separation from Service. Such interest shall be paid at the same time that the Catch-up Amount is paid. Thereafter, the Executive shall receive any remaining benefits as if there had not been an earlier delay.

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- (iii) For purposes of this Agreement, "Separation from Service" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 409A(a)(2)(A)(i) of the Code and determined in accordance with the default rules under Section 409A. "Specified Employee" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 409A(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Code, as determined in accordance with the uniform methodology and procedures adopted by the Company and then in effect.
- (iv) For purposes of Section 409A, each of the payments that may be made under this Agreement are designated as separate payments. Anything in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, (1) no reimbursement payable to the Executive pursuant to any provisions of this Agreement or pursuant to any plan or arrangement of the Company Group covered by this Agreement shall be paid later than the last day of the calendar year following the calendar year in which the related expense was incurred, except to the extent that the right to reimbursement does not provide for a "deferral of compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A, (2) the right to reimbursement or in-kind benefits shall not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit and (3) no amount reimbursed during any calendar year shall affect the amounts eligible for reimbursement in any other calendar year.
- (e) **Notices**. For purposes of this Agreement, notices and all other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given when (i) delivered personally; (ii) sent by facsimile or other similar electronic device and confirmed; (iii) delivered by courier or overnight express; or (iv) three (3) business days after being sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

If to the Company:

Attention: Chief Legal Officer

If to the Executive: Robert A. Kotick

c/o Activision Blizzard, Inc. 3100 Ocean Park Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90405

with a copy to: Chris Driscoll

Cove Partners LLC

3435 Ocean Park Blvd. #107 PMB K

Santa Monica, CA 90405

or to such other address as a party may furnish to the other party in writing in accordance herewith, except that notices of change of address shall be effective only upon receipt.

- (f) **No Waiver**. No waiver by either party hereto of any breach of any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed a waiver of any preceding or succeeding breach of such provision or any other provision herein contained.
- (g) **Governing Law**. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California, without giving effect to the conflict of law principles thereof; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that <u>Sections 13</u>, <u>14</u> and <u>15</u> of this Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the state in which the Executive has his principal office.
- (h) **Entire Agreement**. This Agreement and the Proprietary Information Agreement set forth the entire agreement of the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof, and are

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intended to supersede all prior or contemporaneous employment negotiations, understandings and agreements (whether written or oral), including the Prior Agreement. No provision of this Agreement may be waived or changed, except by a writing signed by the party to be charged with such waiver or change.

- (i) **Successors; Binding Agreement**. Neither of the parties hereto shall have the right to assign this Agreement or any rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of the other party; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that this Agreement shall inure to the benefit or and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the Company upon any sale of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, or upon any merger or consolidation of the Company with or into any other corporation, all as though such successors and assigns of the Company and their respective successors and assigns were the Company. Insofar as the Executive is concerned, this Agreement, being personal, cannot be assigned; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Executive and his executors, administrators and legal representatives.
- (j) **Expiration**. This Agreement does not constitute a commitment of the Company with regard to the Executive's employment, express or implied, other than to the extent expressly provided for herein. Upon the Expiration Date, or, if earlier, the termination of the Executive's employment under this Agreement (and the Employment Period) pursuant to <u>Section 7</u>, neither the Company nor the Executive shall have any obligation to the other with respect to the Executive's continued employment.
- (k) **Counterparts**. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original, but together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- (l) **Headings**. The headings and captions set forth in this Agreement are for ease of reference only and shall not be deemed to constitute a part of the agreement formed hereby or be relevant to the interpretation of any provisions of this Agreement.
- (m) **Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, etc.** Whenever any determination is to be made or action to be taken on a date specified in this Agreement, if such date shall fall upon a Saturday, Sunday or a legal holiday in the State of California, the date for such determination or action shall be extended to the first (1st) business day immediately thereafter. Any reference herein to a determination of the Board or the Compensation Committee "in its discretion" shall mean a determination in the sole discretion of such body.
- (n) **Survivability**. The provisions of <u>Sections 10</u>, <u>11</u>, <u>12</u>, <u>13</u>, <u>14</u>, <u>15</u>, <u>16</u>, <u>17</u>, <u>18</u>, <u>20(d)</u> and <u>20(o)</u> of this Agreement shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement, in accordance with their terms.
- (o) **Arbitration**. Except as set forth in Section 17, any disagreement, dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the interpretation of this Agreement or any arrangements relating to this Agreement or contemplated in this Agreement or the breach, termination or invalidity thereof shall be settled by final and binding arbitration administered by JAMS/Endispute in Los Angeles, California in accordance with the then existing JAMS/Endispute Arbitration Rules and Procedures for Employment Disputes. In the event of such an arbitration proceeding, Executive and the Company shall select a mutually acceptable neutral arbitrator from among the JAMS/Endispute panel of arbitrators. In the event Executive and the Company cannot agree on an arbitrator, the Administrator of JAMS/Endispute will appoint an arbitrator. Neither Executive nor the Company nor the arbitrator shall disclose the existence, content, or results of any arbitration hereunder without the prior written consent of all parties. Except as provided herein, the Federal Arbitration Act shall govern the interpretation, enforcement and all proceedings. The arbitrator shall apply the substantive law (and the law of remedies, if applicable) of the state of California, or federal law, or both, as applicable, and the arbitrator is without jurisdiction to apply any different substantive law. The arbitrator shall have the authority to entertain a

motion to dismiss and/or a motion for summary judgment by any party and shall apply the standards governing such motions under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The arbitrator shall render an award and a written, reasoned opinion in support thereof. Judgment upon the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

(p) **Legal Counsel; Right to Negotiate**. The Executive acknowledges that he has been given the opportunity to consult with legal counsel or any other advisor of his own choosing regarding this Agreement. The Executive understands and agrees that any attorney retained by the Company or any member of management who has discussed any term or condition of this Agreement with him is only acting on behalf of the Company and not on the Executive's behalf. The Executive hereby acknowledges that he has been given the opportunity to participate in the negotiation of the terms of this Agreement. The Executive acknowledges and confirms that he has read this Agreement and fully understands its terms and contents.

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

ACTIVISION BLIZZARD, INC.

By: /s/ Chris B. Walther

Name: Chris B. Walther Title: Chief Legal Officer

/s/ Robert A. Kotick

[Signature Page to Employment Agreement]

ACTIVISION BLIZZARD, INC.

2014 INCENTIVE PLAN

NOTICE OF PERFORMANCE SHARE UNIT AWARD

You have been awarded Performance Share Units of Activision Blizzard, Inc. (the "Company"), as follows:

- Your name: **Robert A. Kotick**
- Total number of Performance Share Units awarded (representing the maximum number of shares which may vest pursuant to the Performance Share Units awarded hereunder): **1,513,317**
- Target number of Performance Share Units awarded: **605,327**
- · Date of Grant: November 22, 2016

•	Grant ID: [

- · Your Award of Performance Share Units is governed by the terms and conditions set forth in:
 - · this Notice of Performance Share Unit Award;
 - the Performance Share Unit Award Terms attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Award Terms");
 - · The Schedule for Vesting attached hereto as Exhibit A-1; and
 - the Company's 2014 Incentive Plan, the receipt of a copy of which you hereby acknowledge.
- Your Award of Performance Share Units has been made in connection with your employment agreement with the Company or one of its subsidiaries as a material inducement to your entering into or renewing employment with such entity pursuant to such agreement, and is also governed by any applicable terms and conditions set forth in such agreement.
- · *Schedule for Vesting*: Except as otherwise provided under the Award Terms, the Performance Share Units awarded to you will vest in accordance with the schedule set forth on **Exhibit A-1** hereto.
- For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding anything else in the Employment Agreement, the intent of parties is that this Award of Performance Share Units be deemed for purposes of Section 6 of the Employment Agreement to have a "Grant Date Value" (as defined in the Employment Agreement) of \$22,500,000.
- Please sign and return to the Company this Notice of Performance Share Unit Award, which bears an original signature on behalf of the Company. You are urged to do so promptly.
- · Please return the signed Notice of Performance Share Unit Award to the Company at:

Activision Blizzard, Inc. 3100 Ocean Park Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90405 Attn: Stock Plan Administration

By accepting the Award, you are deemed to be bound by the terms and conditions set forth in the 2014 Incentive Plan, this Notice of Performance Share Unit Award and the Award Terms.

You should retain the enclosed duplicate copy of this Notice of Performance Share Unit Award for your records.

Any capitalized term used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Award Terms.

Brian Stolz
Chief People Officer
Date:

Robert A. Kotick		
Date:		
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EXHIBIT A

ACTIVISION BLIZZARD, INC.

2014 INCENTIVE PLAN

PERFORMANCE SHARE UNIT AWARD TERMS

1. Definitions.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED:

- (a) For purposes of these Award Terms, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:
- "Award" means the award described on the Grant Notice.
- "Cause" shall have the meaning given to such term in the Employment Agreement.
- **"Common Shares"** means the shares of common stock, par value \$0.000001 per share, of the Company or any security into which such Common Shares may be changed by reason of any transaction or event of the type referred to in Section 10 hereof.
 - "Company" means Activision Blizzard, Inc. and any successor thereto.
 - "Company Group" means the Company and its subsidiaries.
- **"Company-Sponsored Equity Account"** means an account that is created with the Equity Account Administrator in connection with the administration of the Company's equity plans and programs, including the Plan.
 - "Date of Grant" means the Date of Grant of the Award set forth on the Grant Notice.
- **"Employment Agreement"** means that certain Employment Agreement between Grantee and the Company dated as of October 1, 2016.
- **"Employment Violation"** means any material breach by Grantee of his or her employment agreement with any entity in the Company Group for so long as the terms of such employment agreement shall apply to Grantee (with any breach of the post-termination obligations contained therein deemed to be material for purposes of this definition).
- **"Equity Account Administrator"** means the brokerage firm utilized by the Company from time to time to create and administer accounts for participants in the Company's equity plans and programs, including the Plan.
- **"Exercise Rules and Regulations"** means (i) the Securities Act or any comparable federal securities law and all applicable state securities laws, (ii) the requirements of any securities exchange, securities association, market system or quotation system on which

Common Shares are then traded or quoted, (iii) any restrictions on transfer imposed by the Company's certificate of incorporation or bylaws, and (iv) any policy or procedure the Company has adopted with respect to the trading of its securities, in each case as in effect on the date of the intended transaction.

- "Grantee" means the recipient of the Award named on the Grant Notice.
- **"Grant Notice"** means the Notice of Performance Share Unit Award to which these Award Terms are attached as Exhibit A.
- **"Look-back Period"** means, with respect to any Employment Violation by Grantee, the period beginning on the date which is 12 months prior to the date of such Employment Violation by Grantee and ending on the date of computation of the

Recapture Amount with respect to such Employment Violation.

"Plan" means the Activision Blizzard, Inc. 2014 Incentive Plan, as amended from time to time.

- **"Recapture Amount"** means, with respect to any Employment Violation by Grantee, the gross gain realized or unrealized by Grantee upon all vesting of Performance Share Units or delivery or transfer of Vested Shares during the Look-back Period with respect to such Employment Violation, which gain shall be calculated as the sum of:
 - (i) if Grantee has received Vested Shares during such Look-back Period and sold any such Vested Shares, an amount equal to the sum of the sales price for all such Vested Shares; plus
 - (ii) if Grantee has received Vested Shares during such Look-back Period and not sold all such Vested Shares, an amount equal to the product of (A) the greatest of the following: (1) the Market Value per Share of Common Shares on the date such Vested Shares were issued or transferred to Grantee, (2) the arithmetic average of the per share closing sales prices of Common Shares as reported on NASDAQ for the 30 trading day period ending on the trading day immediately preceding the date of the Company's written notice of its exercise of its rights under Section 13 hereof, or (3) the arithmetic average of the per share closing sales prices of Common Shares as reported on NASDAQ for the 30 trading day period ending on the trading day immediately preceding the date of computation, times (B) the number of such Vested Shares which were not sold.

"Performance Share Units" means units subject to the Award, which represent the conditional right to receive Common Shares in accordance with the Grant Notice and these Award Terms, unless and until such units become vested or are forfeited to the Company in accordance with the Grant Notice and these Award Terms.

"Section 409A" means Section 409A of the Code and the guidance and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

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"Vested Shares" means the Common Shares to which the holder of the Performance Share Units becomes entitled upon vesting thereof in accordance with Section 2 or 3 hereof.

- **"Withholding Taxes"** means any taxes, including, but not limited to, social security and Medicare taxes and federal, state and local income taxes, required under any applicable law to be withheld from amounts otherwise payable to Grantee.
- (b) Any capitalized term used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Plan.
- 2. <u>Vesting</u>. Except as otherwise set forth in these Award Terms, the Performance Share Units shall vest in accordance with the provisions of the Employment Agreement and the "Schedule for Vesting" set forth on <u>Exhibit A-1</u> hereto. Each Performance Share Unit, upon vesting thereof, shall entitle the holder thereof to receive one Common Share (subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 10 hereof).
 - 3. <u>Termination of Employment</u>.
- (a) <u>Cause</u>. In the event that Grantee's employment is terminated by any entity in the Company Group for Cause, as of the date of such termination of employment all Performance Share Units shall cease to vest and any outstanding Performance Share Units and Vested Shares that have yet to settle pursuant to Section 8 hereof shall immediately be forfeited to the Company without payment of consideration by the Company.
- (b) <u>Other</u>. In the event that Grantee's employment is terminated for any reason other than for Cause, the Performance Share Units shall be treated as to vesting in accordance with the provisions of the Employment Agreement.
- 4. <u>Tax Withholding</u>. The Company shall have the right to require Grantee to satisfy any Withholding Taxes resulting from the vesting of any Performance Share Units, the issuance or transfer of any Vested Shares or otherwise in connection with the Award at the time such Withholding Taxes become due. The Company shall determine the method or methods Grantee may use to satisfy any Withholding Taxes contemplated by this Section 4, which may include any of the following: (a) by delivery to the Company of a bank check or certified check or wire transfer of immediately available funds; (b) through the delivery of irrevocable written instructions, in a form acceptable to the Company, that the Company withhold Vested Shares otherwise then deliverable having a value equal to the aggregate amount of the Withholding Taxes (valued in the same manner used in computing the amount of such Withholding Taxes); (c) if securities of the Company of the same class as the Vested Shares are then traded or quoted on a national securities exchange, the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. or a national quotation system sponsored by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., through the delivery of irrevocable written instructions, in a form acceptable to the Company, to the Equity Account Administrator (or, with the Company's consent, such other brokerage firm as may be requested by the Grantee) to sell some or all of the Vested Shares and to thereafter deliver promptly to the Company from the proceeds of such sale an amount in

anything to the contrary contained herein, any entity in the Company Group shall have the right to ensure that all Withholding Taxes contemplated by this Section 4 are satisfied by (i) withholding from Grantee's compensation, (ii) withholding Vested Shares otherwise then deliverable (in which case Grantee will be deemed to have been issued the full number of Vested Shares), and (iii) arranging for the sale, on Grantee's behalf, of Vested Shares otherwise then deliverable. The Company shall have no obligation to deliver any Vested Shares unless and until all Withholding Taxes contemplated by this Section 4 have been satisfied.

- 5. <u>Deemed Agreement</u>. By accepting the Award, Grantee is deemed to be bound by the terms and conditions set forth in the Plan, the Grant Notice and these Award Terms.
- 6. <u>Reservation of Shares</u>. The Company shall at all times reserve for issuance or delivery upon vesting of the Performance Share Units such number of Common Shares as shall be required for issuance or delivery upon vesting thereof.
- 7. <u>Dividend Equivalents</u>. The holder of the Performance Share Units shall not be entitled to receive any payment, payment-in-kind or any equivalent with regard to any cash or other dividends that are declared and paid on Common Shares.
- 8. Receipt and Delivery. As soon as administratively practicable (and, in any event, within 30 days) after any Performance Share Units vest, the Company shall (a) effect the issuance or transfer of the resulting Vested Shares, (b) cause the issuance or transfer of such Vested Shares to be evidenced on the books and records of the Company, and (c) cause such Vested Shares to be delivered to a Company-Sponsored Equity Account in the name of the person entitled to such Vested Shares (or, with the Company's consent, such other brokerage account as may be requested by such person); provided, however, that, in the event such Vested Shares are subject to a legend as set forth in Section 16 hereof, the Company shall instead cause a certificate evidencing such Vested Shares and bearing such legend to be delivered to the person entitled thereto.
- 9. <u>Committee Discretion</u>. Except as may otherwise be provided in the Plan, the Committee shall have sole discretion to (a) interpret any provision of the Plan, the Grant Notice and these Award Terms, (b) make any determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of the Plan and the Award, and (c) waive any conditions or rights of the Company under the Award, the Grant Notice or these Award Terms. Without intending to limit the generality or effect of the foregoing, any decision or determination to be made by the Committee pursuant to these Award Terms, including whether to grant or withhold any consent, shall be made by the Committee in its sole and absolute discretion, subject only to the terms of the Plan. Subject to the terms of the Plan, the Committee may amend the terms of the Award prospectively or retroactively; however, no such amendment may materially and adversely affect the rights of Grantee taken as a whole without Grantee's consent. Without intending to limit the generality or effect of the foregoing, the Committee may amend the terms of the Award (i) in recognition of unusual or nonrecurring events (including, without limitation, events described in Section 10 hereof) affecting any entity in the Company Group or any of the Company's other affiliates or the financial statements of any entity in the Company Group or any of the Company's other affiliates, (ii) in response to changes in applicable laws, regulations or accounting principles and

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interpretations thereof, or (iii) to prevent the Award from becoming subject to any adverse consequences under Section 409A.

- 10. Adjustments. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, pursuant to Section 12 of the Plan, the Committee will make or provide for such adjustments to the Award as are equitably required to prevent dilution or enlargement of the rights of Grantee that otherwise would result from (a) any stock dividend, extraordinary dividend, stock split, combination of shares, recapitalization or other change in the capital structure of the Company, (b) any change of control, merger, consolidation, spin-off, split-off, spin-out, split-up, reorganization, partial or complete liquidation or other distribution of assets, or issuance of rights or warrants to purchase securities, or (c) any other corporate transaction or event having an effect similar to any of the foregoing. Moreover, in the event of any such transaction or event, the Committee, in its discretion, may provide in substitution for the Award such alternative consideration (including, without limitation, cash), if any, as it may determine to be equitable in the circumstances and may require in connection therewith the surrender of the Award.
- 11. Registration and Listing. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Company shall not be obligated to issue or transfer any Performance Share Units or Vested Shares, and no Performance Share Units or Vested Shares may be sold, assigned, transferred, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of or encumbered in any way, unless such transaction is in compliance with all Exercise Rules and Regulations. The Company is under no obligation to register, qualify or list, or maintain the registration, qualification or listing of, Performance Share Units or Vested Shares with the SEC, any state securities commission or any securities exchange, securities association, market system or quotation system to effect such compliance. Grantee shall make such representations and furnish such information as may be appropriate to permit the Company, in light of the then existence or non-existence of an effective registration statement under the Securities Act relating to Performance Share Units or Vested Shares, to issue or transfer Performance Share Units or Vested Shares in compliance with the provisions of that or any comparable federal securities law and all applicable state securities laws. The Company shall have the right, but not the obligation, to register

the issuance or transfer of Performance Share Units or Vested Shares or resale of Performance Share Units or Vested Shares under the Securities Act or any comparable federal securities law or applicable state securities law.

- 12. <u>Transferability.</u> Subject to the terms of the Plan and only with the Company's consent, Grantee may transfer Performance Share Units for estate planning purposes or pursuant to a domestic relations order; <u>provided, however</u>, that any transferee shall be bound by all of the terms and conditions of the Plan, the Grant Notice and these Award Terms and shall execute an agreement in form and substance satisfactory to the Company in connection with such transfer; and <u>provided, further</u> that Grantee will remain bound by the terms and conditions of the Plan, the Grant Notice and these Award Terms. Except as otherwise permitted under the Plan or this Section 12, the Performance Share Units shall not be transferable by Grantee other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution.
- 13. <u>Employment Violation</u>. The terms of this Section 13 shall apply to the Performance Share Units if Grantee is or becomes subject to an employment agreement with any entity in the Company Group. In the event of an Employment Violation, the Company shall

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have the right to require (a) the forfeiture by Grantee to the Company of any outstanding Performance Share Units or Vested Shares which have yet to settle pursuant to Section 8 hereof and (b) payment by Grantee to the Company of the Recapture Amount with respect to such Employment Violation; provided, however, that, in lieu of payment by Grantee to the Company of the Recapture Amount, Grantee, in his or her discretion, may tender to the Company the Vested Shares acquired during the Look-back Period with respect to such Employment Violation (without any consideration from the Company in exchange therefor). Any such forfeiture of Performance Share Units and payment of the Recapture Amount, as the case may be, shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other right or remedy available to the Company arising out of or in connection with such Employment Violation, including, without limitation, the right to terminate Grantee's employment if not already terminated and to seek injunctive relief and additional monetary damages.

- 14. <u>Compliance with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Company Policies and Procedures.</u>
- (a) Grantee is responsible for complying with (i) any federal, state and local taxation laws applicable to Grantee in connection with the Award and (ii) all Exercise Rules and Regulations.
- (b) The Award is subject to the terms and conditions of any policy requiring or permitting the Company to recover any gains realized by Grantee in connection with the Award, including, without limitation, the Policy on Recoupment of Performance-Based Compensation Related to Certain Financial Restatements.

15. <u>Section 409A</u>.

- (a) Payments contemplated with respect to the Award are intended to comply with Section 409A, and all provisions of the Plan, the Grant Notice and these Award Terms shall be construed and interpreted in a manner consistent with the requirements for avoiding taxes or penalties under Section 409A. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) nothing in the Plan, the Grant Notice and these Award Terms shall guarantee that the Award is not subject to taxes or penalties under Section 409A and (ii) if any provision of the Plan, the Grant Notice or these Award Terms would, in the reasonable, good faith judgment of the Company, result or likely result in the imposition on Grantee or any other person of taxes, interest or penalties under Section 409A, the Committee may, in its sole discretion, modify the terms of the Plan, the Grant Notice or these Award Terms, without the consent of Grantee, in the manner that the Committee may reasonably and in good faith determine to be necessary or advisable to avoid the imposition of such taxes, interest or penalties; provided, however, that this Section 15 does not create an obligation on the part of the Committee or the Company to make any such modification, and in no event shall the Company be liable for the payment of or gross up in connection with any taxes, interest or penalties owed by Grantee pursuant to Section 409A.
- (b) Neither Grantee nor any of Grantee's creditors or beneficiaries shall have the right to subject any deferred compensation (within the meaning of Section 409A) payable with respect to the Award to any anticipation, alienation, sale, transfer, assignment, pledge, encumbrance, attachment or garnishment. Except as permitted under Section 409A, any deferred

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compensation (within the meaning of Section 409A) payable to Grantee or for Grantee's benefit with respect to the Award may not be reduced by, or offset against, any amount owing by Grantee to the Company.

(c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, if (i) the Committee determines in good faith that the Performance Share Units do not qualify for the "short-term deferral exception" under Section 409A, (ii) Grantee is a "specified employee" (as defined in Section 409A) and (iii) a delay in the issuance or transfer of Vested Shares to Grantee or his or her estate or beneficiaries hereunder by reason of Grantee's "separation from service" (as defined in Section 409A) with any entity in the Company Group is required to avoid tax penalties under Section 409A but is not already provided for by this Award, the Company shall cause the issuance or transfer of such Vested Shares to Grantee's estate or beneficiary upon the earlier of (A) the

date that is the first business day following the date that is six months after the date of Grantee's separation from service or (B) Grantee's death.

16. <u>Legend</u>. The Company may, if determined by it based on the advice of counsel to be appropriate, cause any certificate evidencing Vested Shares to bear a legend substantially as follows:

"THE SECURITIES REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY NOT BE OFFERED FOR SALE, SOLD OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE 'ACT'), OR PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE ACT."

- 17. <u>No Right to Continued Employment</u>. Nothing contained in the Grant Notice or these Award Terms shall be construed to confer upon Grantee any right to be continued in the employ of any entity in the Company Group or derogate from any right of any entity in the Company Group to retire, request the resignation of, or discharge Grantee at any time, with or without Cause.
- 18. <u>No Rights as Stockholder</u>. No holder of Performance Share Units shall, by virtue of the Grant Notice or these Award Terms, be entitled to any right of a stockholder of the Company, either at law or in equity, and the rights of any such holder are limited to those expressed, and are not enforceable against the Company except to the extent set forth in the Plan, the Grant Notice or these Award Terms.
- 19. <u>Severability</u>. In the event that one or more of the provisions of these Award Terms shall be invalidated for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, any provision so invalidated shall be deemed to be separable from the other provisions hereof, and the remaining provisions hereof shall continue to be valid and fully enforceable.

20. <u>Venue and Governing Law</u>.

(a) For purposes of litigating any dispute that arises directly or indirectly from the relationship of the parties evidenced by the grant of the Performance Share Units or these

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Award Terms, the parties submit and consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the State of California and agree that such litigation shall be conducted only in the courts of Los Angeles County, California or the federal courts of the United States for the Central District of California, and no other courts, regardless of where the grant of the Performance Share Units is made and/or to be performed.

- (b) To the extent that federal law does not otherwise control, the validity, interpretation, performance and enforcement of the Grant Notice and these Award Terms shall be governed by the laws of the State of Delaware, without giving effect to principles of conflicts of laws thereof.
- 21. <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. The provisions of the Grant Notice and these Award Terms shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Company, its successors and assigns, and Grantee and, to the extent applicable, Grantee's permitted assigns under Section 12 hereof and Grantee's estate or beneficiaries as determined by will or the laws of descent and distribution.

22. Notices.

- (a) Any notice or other document which Grantee may be required or permitted to deliver to the Company pursuant to or in connection with the Grant Notice or these Award Terms shall be in writing, and may be delivered personally or by mail, postage prepaid, or overnight courier, addressed to the Company, at its office at 3100 Ocean Park Boulevard, Santa Monica, California 90405, Attn: Stock Plan Administration, or such other address as the Company by notice to Grantee may designate in writing from time to time. Notices shall be effective upon delivery.
- (b) Any notice or other document which the Company may be required or permitted to deliver to Grantee pursuant to or in connection with the Grant Notice or these Award Terms shall be in writing, and may be delivered personally or by mail, postage prepaid, or overnight courier, addressed to Grantee at the address shown on any employment agreement or offer letter between Grantee and any entity in the Company Group in effect at the time, or such other address as Grantee by notice to the Company may designate in writing from time to time. The Company may also, in its sole discretion, deliver any such document to Grantee electronically via an e-mail to Grantee at his or her Company-provided email address or through a notice delivered to such e-mail address that such document is available on a website established and maintained on behalf of the Company or a third party designated by the Company, including, without limitation, the Equity Account Administrator. Notices shall be effective upon delivery.
- 23. <u>Conflict with Employment Agreement or Plan</u>. In the event of any conflict between the terms of the Employment Agreement, the terms of the Grant Notice, these Award Terms or the Plan, as the case may be, the Employment Agreement shall control. .

24.	<u>Imposition of Other Requirements</u> . The Company reserves the right to impose other requirements on Grantee's
participation	in the Plan, on the Performance Share Units and on any Common Shares acquired under the Plan, to the extent the
Company de	etermines it is

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necessary or advisable in order to facilitate the administration of the Plan, and to require Grantee to sign any additional agreements or undertakings that may be necessary to accomplish the foregoing.

25. <u>Waiver</u>. Grantee acknowledges that a waiver by the Company of a breach of any provision of these Award Terms shall not operate or be construed as a waiver of any other provision of these Award Terms, or of any subsequent breach by Grantee or any other grantee of an equity award from the Company.