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In re:	:	Chapter 11
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Filene's Basement, L.L.C., et al.,	:	Case No. 11-13511 (KJC)
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Debtors.	:	Jointly Administered
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## JOINT CHAPTER 11 PLAN OF REORGANIZATION OF SYMS CORP.

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# **EXHIBITS**

EXHIBIT A NON-EXCLUSIVE LIST OF CAUSES OF ACTION AND AVOIDANCE ACTIONS

EXHIBIT B LIST OF ASSUMED AGREEMENTS

EXHIBIT C CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION AND BY LAWS

<u>Note</u>: To the extent that the foregoing Exhibits and any additional Exhibits are not annexed to this Plan, such Exhibits will be filed with the Bankruptcy Court in Plan Supplement(s) filed on or before the date(s) set for the filing of such documents and forms of documents.

#### INTRODUCTION

Syms Corp. ("Syms"), Filene's Basement, LLC ("Filene's"), Syms Clothing, Inc. ("Clothing"), Syms Advertising Inc. ("Advertising" and, together with Syms, Filene's, and Clothing, the "Debtors"), and the Equity Committee jointly propose the following joint chapter 11 plan of reorganization under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (as defined below). This Plan (as defined below) contemplates the reorganization of Syms into a real estate holding company that will operate and lease, as appropriate, its owned real estate assets pending their disposition in a non-distressed, commercially reasonably manner. The Plan also embodies a compromise and settlement, pursuant to section 1123(b)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 9019, of certain matters related to the historical operation of the Debtors' businesses, including a compromise and settlement of possible intercompany claims and claims that the Debtors' Estates should be substantively consolidated.

All holders of Claims and Interests who are eligible to vote on the Plan are encouraged to read the Plan and the accompanying Disclosure Statement (including all exhibits thereto) in their entireties before voting to accept or reject the Plan. Subject to certain restrictions and requirements set forth in Bankruptcy Code section 1127 and Bankruptcy Rule 3019, the Debtors reserve the right to alter, amend, modify, revoke, or withdraw the Plan prior to its substantial consummation. Reference is made to the Disclosure Statement, distributed contemporaneously herewith, for a discussion of the Debtors' history, business, properties, and operations, a summary and analysis of the Plan, and certain related matters, including the settlements embodied in the Plan and the risk factors relating to the consummation of the Plan.

## I. DEFINED TERMS AND RULES OF INTERPRETATION

#### A. Rules of Construction

For purposes of this Plan, except as expressly provided herein or unless the context otherwise requires, all capitalized terms not otherwise defined, including those capitalized terms used in the preceding Introduction, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in Article 1 of this Plan or any Exhibit hereto. Any term used in this Plan that is not defined herein, but is defined in the Bankruptcy Code or the Bankruptcy Rules, shall have the meaning ascribed to that term in the Bankruptcy Code or the Bankruptcy Rules, as applicable. To the extent that there is an inconsistency between a definition in this Plan and a definition set forth in the Bankruptcy Code, the definition set forth herein shall control. Whenever the context requires, such terms shall include the plural as well as the singular number, the masculine gender shall include the feminine, and the feminine gender shall include the masculine.

#### B. Definitions

- 1.1 Administrative Claim means a Claim arising under Bankruptcy Code sections 503(b), 507(b), or 1114(e)(2), including, but not limited to, (a) any actual and necessary costs and expenses, incurred after the Petition Date, of preserving the Estates and operating the businesses of the Debtors (such as wages, salaries and commissions for services and payments for inventory, leased equipment and premises); (b) Professional Fee Claims; and (c) all fees and charges assessed against the Estates under chapter 123 of title 28 of the United States Code, 28 U.S.C. §§ 1911-1930.
- 1.2 Administrative Claims Bar Date means the last date by which a request for payment of an Administrative Claim must be Filed, which date is sixty (60) days after the Effective Date; provided, however, that such date does not extend the time for filing claims set by the Initial Administrative Claims Bar Date.

- 1.3 Administrative Claims Objection Deadline means the last day for Filing an objection to any request for payment of an Administrative Claim which shall be (a) the later of (i) 180 days after the Effective Date or (ii) 90 days after the filing of such Administrative Claim or (b) such other date specified in this Plan or ordered by the Bankruptcy Court. The filing of a motion to extend the Administrative Claims Objection Deadline shall automatically extend the Administrative Claims Objection Deadline until a Final Order is entered on such motion. In the event that such motion to extend the Administrative Claims Objection Deadline is denied by the Bankruptcy Court, the Administrative Claims Objection Deadline shall be the later of the then-current Administrative Claims Objection Deadline (as previously extended, if applicable) or 30 days after the Bankruptcy Court's entry of an order denying the motion to extend the Administrative Claims Objection Deadline.
- 1.4 Administrative Claims Reserve means the reserve of Cash established by the Debtors pursuant to Article VI.E.2. hereof for Holders of Allowed Administrative Claims to the extent that such Allowed Claims have not otherwise been paid in full (or in the manner agreed upon between the Holder of each such Allowed Claim and the Debtors) prior to the Effective Date.
  - 1.5 Advertising means Syms Advertising Inc.
- 1.6 Allowed Claim means a Claim or any portion thereof (a) that has been allowed by a Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court (or such court as the Debtors and the Holders of any such Claim agree may adjudicate such Claim and any objections thereto), (b) that either (x) has been Scheduled as a liquidated, non-contingent, and undisputed in an amount greater than zero on the Schedules, or (y) is the subject of a timely filed proof of claim as to which either (i) no objection to its allowance has been filed (either by way of objection or amendment to the Schedules) within the periods of limitation fixed by the Bankruptcy Code or by any order of the Bankruptcy Court or (ii) any objection to its allowance has been settled, waived through payment, withdrawn or overruled, or (c) that is expressly allowed in a liquidated amount in the Plan; provided, however, that with respect to an Administrative Claim, "Allowed Claim" means an Administrative Claim as to which a timely written request for payment has been made in accordance with the Administrative Claims Bar Date as to which the Debtors, or any other party in interest (x) has not interposed a timely objection or (y) has interposed a timely objection and such objection has been settled, waived through payment, withdrawn or overruled; provided further, however, that for purposes of determining the status (i.e., Allowed or Disputed) of a particular Claim prior to the expiration of the period fixed for filing objections to the allowance or disallowance of Claims, any such Claim which has not been previously allowed or disallowed by a Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court or the Plan shall be deemed a Disputed Claim unless such Claim is specifically identified by the Debtors as being an Allowed Claim.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, an Insured Claim shall become an Allowed Claim only at such time and to the extent that such a claim becomes the subject of a final, nonappealable adjudication of liability and damages in a court or other tribunal of competent jurisdiction or a definitive written agreement in compromise of such claim pursuant to Section VII.I.4 of the Plan between and among the Holder, the Debtor(s) or Reorganized Debtor(s), as applicable, against whom such Claim is asserted, and, to the extent required by the terms of the underlying insurance policy, the issuer of such policy.

- 1.7 Allowed ... Claim means an Allowed Claim of the particular type or Class described.
- 1.8 Avoidance Actions means causes of action arising under Bankruptcy Code sections 502, 510, 541, 542, 544, 545, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551 or 553, or under related state or federal statutes and common law, including, without limitation, fraudulent transfer laws, whether or not litigation is commenced to prosecute such causes of action.

- 1.10 Ballot means each of the ballot forms distributed to each Holder of a Claim or Interest entitled to vote to accept or reject this Plan.
- 1.11 Bankruptcy Code means title 11 of the United States Code, as now in effect or hereafter amended and as applicable to the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 1.12 Bankruptcy Court means the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, or any other court with original jurisdiction over the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 1.13 Bankruptcy Rules means, collectively, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and the Official Bankruptcy Forms, as amended, the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, as amended and as applicable to the Chapter 11 Cases or proceedings therein, as the case may be, and the Local Rules, as now in effect or hereafter amended.
- 1.14 Business Day means any day, other than a Saturday, Sunday or Legal Holiday.
- 1.15 Case Interest Rate means the federal judgment rate provided in 28 U.S.C. § 1961 in effect on the Petition Date.
- 1.16 Cash means legal tender of the United States of America and equivalents thereof, which may be conveyed by check or wire transfer.
- 1.17 Causes of Action means any and all claims, actions, proceedings, causes of action, suits, accounts, controversies, agreements, promises, rights of action, rights to legal remedies, rights to equitable remedies, rights to payment and Claims (as defined in Bankruptcy Code section 101(5)), whether known, unknown, reduced to judgment, not reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured or unsecured and whether asserted or assertable directly or derivatively, in law, equity or otherwise, that any Debtor and/or Estate may hold against any Person.
- 1.18 Chapter 11 Case(s) means (a) when used with reference to a particular Debtor, the case under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code commenced by such Debtor in the Bankruptcy Court and (b) when used with reference to all Debtors, the cases under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code commenced by the Debtors in the Bankruptcy Court.
- 1.19 Claim means a "claim" as defined in Bankruptcy Code section 101(5) or Administrative Claim.
  - 1.20 Claimholder means the Holder of a Claim.
  - 1.21 Claims Agent means Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC.
- objections to Claims, other than Administrative Claims and Professional Fee Claims, which day shall be (a) the later of (i) 270 days after the Effective Date or (ii) 180 days after the Filing of a Proof of Claim for, or request for payment of, such Claim or (b) such other date as the Bankruptcy Court may order. The Filing of a motion to extend the Claims Objection Deadline shall automatically extend the Claims Objection Deadline until a Final Order is entered on such motion. In the event that such motion to extend the Claims Objection Deadline is denied, the Claims Objection Deadline shall be the later of the then-

current Claims Objection Deadline (as previously extended, if applicable) or 30 days after the Bankruptcy Court's entry of an order denying the motion to extend the Claims Objection Deadline.

- 1.23 Class means a category of Holders of Claims or Interests, as described in Article III hereof.
  - 1.24 Clothing means Syms Clothing, Inc.
- 1.25 Collateral means any property or interest in property of a Debtor's Estate subject to a right of setoff or Lien to secure the payment or performance of a Claim, which right of setoff or Lien is not subject to avoidance under the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise invalid under the Bankruptcy Code or applicable state law.
- 1.26 Confirmation means entry by the Bankruptcy Court of the Confirmation Order.
- 1.27 Confirmation Date means the date on which the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court enters the Confirmation Order on the Bankruptcy Court docket in the jointly administered Chapter 11 Cases.
- 1.28 Confirmation Hearing means the hearing held by the Bankruptcy Court to consider confirmation of the Plan, as such hearing may be adjourned or continued from time to time.
- 1.29 Confirmation Objection Deadline means the last day for Filing objections to confirmation of the Plan.
- 1.30 Confirmation Order means the order entered by the Bankruptcy Court confirming the Plan under Bankruptcy Code section 1129.
- 1.31 Consummation or Consummate means the occurrence of or to achieve the Effective Date.
- 1.32 Convenience Claim means any Syms General Unsecured Claim, Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim or Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claim (i) that is Allowed in an amount equal to or less than \$10,000 or (ii) in an amount that is greater than \$10,000, but which the Holder thereof elects on its Ballot to be Allowed in an amount no greater than \$10,000 and to be treated as a Convenience Claim in accordance with the Plan.
- 1.33 Creditor means any Person who holds a Claim against one or more of the Debtors.
- 1.34 Creditors' Committee means the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors appointed by the United States Trustee in the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1102.
- 1.35 Cure means the distribution of Cash, or such other property as may be agreed upon by the parties or ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, with respect to the assumption or assumption and assignment of an executory contract or unexpired lease, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 365(b), in an amount equal to all unpaid monetary obligations, without interest, or such other

amount as may be agreed upon by the parties, under such executory contract or unexpired lease, to the extent such obligations are enforceable under the Bankruptcy Code and applicable bankruptcy law.

- 1.36 Debtor(s) means any of Syms, Filenes, Advertising, or Clothing.
- 1.37 Disallowed Claim means a Claim, or any portion thereof, that (a) has been disallowed by a Final Order, (b) is listed in the Schedules at zero or as contingent, disputed or unliquidated and as to which no Proof of Claim has been filed by the applicable bar date or deemed timely filed with the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to either the Bankruptcy Code or any Final Order or under applicable law, or (c) is not listed in the Schedules, and as to which (i) no Proof of Claim has been filed by the applicable bar date or deemed timely filed with the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to either the Bankruptcy Code or any Final Order or under applicable law, or (ii) no Administrative Claim has been filed by the Administrative Claims Bar Date or deemed timely filed with the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to either the Bankruptcy Code or any Final Order or under applicable law.
- 1.38 Disclosure Statement means the disclosure statement (including all exhibits and schedules thereto) relating to this Plan distributed contemporaneously herewith in accordance with Bankruptcy Code sections 1125 and 1126(b) and Bankruptcy Rule 3018.
- 1.39 Disputed Claim means a Claim, or any portion thereof, that has not been Allowed pursuant to the Plan or a Final Order, and:
- (a) if a Claim has been filed, or deemed to have been filed, by the applicable bar date (i) a Claim for which a corresponding Claim has been listed on the Schedules as unliquidated, contingent or disputed; (ii) a Claim for which a corresponding Claim has been listed on the Schedules as other than unliquidated, contingent or disputed, but the amount of such Claim or identity of the applicable Debtor as asserted in the Claim varies from the amount of such Claim or identity of the applicable Debtor as listed in the Schedules; or (iii) a Claim as to which any party in interest has timely filed an objection or request for estimation in accordance with the Plan, the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules and any orders of the Bankruptcy Court, or which is otherwise disputed by a Debtor in accordance with applicable law, which objection, request for estimation or dispute has not been withdrawn or determined by a Final Order:
- (b) if an Administrative Claim has been filed or deemed to have been filed by the Administrative Claims Bar Date, any such Claim as to which any party in interest has timely filed an objection or request for estimation in accordance with the Plan, the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and any orders of the Bankruptcy Court, or which is otherwise disputed by a Debtor in accordance with applicable law, which objection, request for estimation or dispute has not been withdrawn or determined by a Final Order;
- (c) for which a claim was required to be filed by order of the Bankruptcy Court, but as to which a Claim was not timely or properly filed; or
  - (d) that is disputed in accordance with the provisions of this Plan.
    - 1.40 Disputed . . . Claim means a Disputed Claim of the type
- 1.41 Distribution means any distribution pursuant to the Plan to the Holders of Allowed Claims and Allowed Interests.

described.

- 1.42 Distribution Date means the date upon which a Distribution is made in accordance with the Plan to Holders of Allowed Claims or Allowed Interests entitled to receive Distributions under the Plan.
- 1.43 Distribution Record Date means the record date for purposes of making Distributions under the Plan on account of Allowed Claims or Allowed Interests, which date shall be the Confirmation Date or such other date designated in the Confirmation Order.
- 1.44 Effective Date means the Business Day this Plan becomes effective as provided in Article IX.B hereof.
- 1.45 Entity means a person, estate, trust, governmental unit and United States Trustee, within the meaning of Bankruptcy Code section 101(15).
- 1.46 Equity Committee means the Official Committee of Syms Corp. Equity Security holders.
- 1.47 Estate(s) means, individually, the estate of Syms, Filene's, Clothing or Advertising and, collectively, the estates of all of the Debtors created under Bankruptcy Code section 541.
- 1.48 Exhibit means an exhibit annexed to either this Plan or as an appendix to the Disclosure Statement.
- 1.49 Exhibit Filing Date means the date on which Exhibits to thePlan or the Disclosure Statement shall be filed with the Bankruptcy Court, which date shall be at least five(5) business days prior to the Voting Deadline or such later date as may be approved by the BankruptcyCourt without further notice to parties-in-interest.
- 1.50 Exit Financing means any financing to be obtained by Reorganized Syms that may be required to fund payment of Senior Claims on or in connection with the occurrence of the Effective Date.
- 1.51 Face Amount means (a) when used in reference to a Disputed or Disallowed Claim, the full stated amount claimed by the Claimholder in any proof of claim timely filed with the Bankruptcy Court or otherwise deemed timely filed by any Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court or other applicable bankruptcy law, and (b) when used in reference to an Allowed Claim, the Allowed amount of such Claim.
- 1.52 File, Filed or Filing means file, filed, or filing with the Bankruptcy Court or its authorized designee in the Chapter 11 Cases.
  - 1.53 Filene's means Filene's Basement, LLC.
- 1.54 Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claim means a general unsecured Claim against Filene's on account of rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease pursuant to sections 365 and 502 of the Bankruptcy Code to the extent not guaranteed by Syms, and that, in all cases, is not an Administrative Claim, Convenience Claim, Intercompany Claim, Non-Tax Priority Claim, Priority Tax Claim, Secured Claim, Syms General Unsecured Claim, Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim, or Superpriority Intercompany Claim.

- 1.55 Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim means a general unsecured Claim against Filene's, including any Claims of a vendor on account of goods or services provided prior to the Petition Date or of an employee for severance pay that is not guaranteed by Syms, and that is not an Administrative Claim, Convenience Claim, Intercompany Claim, Non-Tax Priority Claim, Priority Tax Claim, Secured Claim, Syms General Unsecured Claim, Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claim, or Superpriority Intercompany Claim.
- 1.57 Filene's Segregated Fund means that certain segregated account created as of the Effective Date and administered by Reorganized Syms which shall contain all Cash of the Filene's estate as of the Effective Date and from which distributions shall be made to Holders of Allowed Claims against Filene's in accordance with the terms of the Plan.
- 1.58 Final Fee Application means a final request for payment of a Professional Fee Claim.
- 1.59 Final Order means an order or judgment of the Bankruptcy
  Court, or other court of competent jurisdiction, as entered on the docket in any Chapter 11 Case, the operation or effect of which has not been stayed, reversed, or amended and as to which order or judgment (or any revision, modification, or amendment thereof) the time to appeal or seek review or rehearing has expired and as to which no appeal or petition for review or rehearing was filed or, if filed, remains pending.
  - 1.60 Holder means an entity holding a Claim or Interest.
- 1.61 Impaired means, when used in reference to a Claim, Interest, or Class, a Claim, Interest, or a Class that is impaired within the meaning of Bankruptcy Code section 1124.
- 1.62 Indemnification Obligation means any obligation of any of the Debtors to indemnify, reimburse, or provide contribution to any present or former officer, director, or employee, or any present or former Professionals, advisors, or representatives of the Debtors, pursuant to by-laws, articles of incorporation, contract, or otherwise.
- 1.63 Initial Administrative Claims Bar Date Order means the order of the Bankruptcy Court, dated January 18, 2012, setting the initial administrative claims bar date.
- 1.64 Initial Distribution Date means the Effective Date or as soon thereafter as may be reasonably practicable, but in any event no later than the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) Business Day following the Effective Date.
- 1.65 Insured Claim means any Claim or portion of a Claim (other than a Workers Compensation Claim) that is insured under the Debtors' insurance policies. Insured Claims constitute Disputed Claims, and the Plan shall constitute an objection thereto for all purposes, except to the extent that an Insured Claim becomes an Allowed Claim in accordance with Section 1.6 hereof.
- 1.66 Insured Covered Amount has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section IV.H. of the Plan.
- 1.67 Intercompany Claim means any Claim held by a Debtor against another Debtor, other than a Superpriority Intercompany Claim, including, without limitation: (a) any account reflecting intercompany book entries by a Debtor with respect to another Debtor, (b) any Claim

not reflected in such book entries that is held by a Debtor against another Debtor, (c) any derivative Claim asserted by or on behalf of one Debtor against another Debtor and (d) any Claim asserted by one Debtor against another as a result of a payment made by the claimant Debtor pursuant to a guarantee or similar instrument.

- 1.68 Interest means the legal, equitable, contractual, and other rights of any Person with respect to any capital stock or other ownership interest in any Debtor, whether or not transferable, and any option, warrant or right to purchase, sell, or subscribe for an ownership interest or other equity security in any Debtor.
- 1.69 KEIP Order means the Order Under Bankruptcy Code Sections 105, 363(b), And 503(c)(3) Approving A Limited, Wind-Down Employee Retention Plan, dated January 17, 2012 at docket no. 657.
- 1.70 Legal Holiday has the meaning set forth in Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).
- 1.71 Lien shall mean any lien, security interest, pledge, title retention agreement, encumbrance, charge, mortgage, or hypothecation to secure payment of a debt or performance of an obligation, other than, in the case of securities and any other equity ownership interests, any restrictions imposed by applicable United States or foreign securities laws.
- 1.72 Local Rules means the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware.
- 1.73 Majority Shareholder means collectively Ms. Marcy Syms and all Entities controlled by her that together own and have the power to vote approximately 54.7% of Interests in Syms.
- 1.74 Merger means the merger of Filene's, Advertising, and Clothing into Syms in accordance with Article VI.A.3. hereof.
- 1.75 Net Proceeds means the proceeds of sale or assignment of Syms Owned Real Estate, net of the costs and expenses of such transactions (including taxes, fees, tenant improvement costs, leasing and brokerage commissions, and professional fees) and the carrying costs of any particular property following the Effective Date through the sale of such property.
- 1.76 Non-Tax Priority Claim means a Claim entitled to priority in payment pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 507(a), other than an Administrative Claim or Priority Tax Claim.
- 1.77 Person has the meaning set forth in Bankruptcy Code section 101(41).
- 1.78 Petition Date means November 2, 2011, the date on which the Debtors filed their petitions for relief commencing the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 1.79 Plan means this joint plan of reorganization and all Exhibits annexed to the Plan, referenced in the Plan or included in the Plan Supplement, as the same may be

altered, amended, modified or supplemented from time to time in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules.

- 1.80 Plan Proponents means the Debtors and the Equity Committee, subject to the right of the Equity Committee to withdraw as a Plan Proponent.
- 1.81 Plan Settlement means the settlement set forth in Article II hereof and that is implemented and effectuated by the Plan.
- 1.82 Plan Supplement means the supplement to the Plan that the Debtors will file with the Bankruptcy Court by the Exhibit Filing Date.
- 1.83 Prepetition Secured Loan means that certain credit facility memorialized by the Credit Agreement (as amended) dated as of August 27, 2009 between Syms Corp. and Filene's as borrowers and Bank of America, N.A. as Administrative and Collateral Agent.
- 1.84 Priority Tax Claim means a Claim of a governmental unit of the kind specified in Bankruptcy Code sections 502(i), 507(a)(8) or 1129(a)(9)(D).
- 1.85 Professional means (a) any professional employed in these Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 327, 328, or 1103 or otherwise, and (b) any professional or other entity seeking compensation or reimbursement of expenses in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 503(b)(4).
- 1.86 Professional Fee Claim means a Claim of a Professional for compensation for services rendered or reimbursement of costs, expenses, or other charges incurred after the Petition Date and prior to and including the Effective Date.
- 1.87 Professional Fee Estimate means (i) with respect to any Professional, a good faith estimate of such Professional's accrued unpaid Professional Fee Claims to be provided by each Professional in writing to the Debtors prior to the commencement of the Confirmation Hearing, or, in the absence of such a writing, to be prepared by the Debtors and (ii) collectively, the sum of all individual Professional Fee Estimates.
- 1.88 Professional Fee Reserve means the reserve of Cash established pursuant to Article VI.E.1. hereof for Holders of Allowed Professional Fee Claims to the extent that such Allowed Professional Fee Claims have not otherwise been paid in full (or in the manner agreed upon between the Holder of each such Allowed Professional Fee Claim and the Debtors) prior to the Effective Date, in an amount equal to the Professional Fee Claim Estimate.
- 1.89 Proof of Claim means a proof of claim, including, but not limited to, any Administrative Claim, filed with the Bankruptcy Court in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to section 501 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 1.90 Pro Rata means a Holder's proportionate share such that, at any time, (i) in the case of Claims, the proportion that the Face Amount of the Allowed Claims held by such Holder in a particular Class bears to the aggregate Face Amount of all Allowed Claims in such Class, and (ii) in the case of Interests, the proportion that the number of Interests held by such Holder in a particular Class bears to the aggregate number of all Interests in such Class.

- 1.91 Rejection Bar Date means the deadline by which any Entity whose Claims arise out of the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease (pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 365) after the Petition Date, must File a Proof of Claim, which deadline shall be the later of (i) thirty (30) days after the effective date of rejection as provided by an order of the Bankruptcy Court, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 365, authorizing the rejection of such contract or lease, (ii) any date set by order of the Court, (iii) the general bar date, and (iv) thirty (30) days after the Effective Date.
- 1.92 Released Parties has the meaning ascribed to such term in Section XI.E of the Plan.
  - 1.93 Reorganized Syms means Syms on and after the Effective Date.
- 1.95 Schedules means the schedules of assets and liabilities, the list of Holders of Interests, and the statements of financial affairs filed by the Debtors pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 521 and the Bankruptcy Rules, as such schedules have been or may be further modified, amended or supplemented in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 1009 or orders of the Bankruptcy Court.
- 1.96 Secured Claim means a Claim that is secured by a Lien which is not subject to avoidance under the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise invalid under the Bankruptcy Code or applicable state law, on property in which an Estate has an interest, or a Claim that is subject to setoff under section 553 of the Bankruptcy Code to the extent of the value of the Holder's interest in the Estate's interest in such property or to the extent of the amount subject to setoff, as applicable as determined by a Final Order pursuant to section 506(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, or in the case of setoff, pursuant to section 553 of the Bankruptcy Code, or in either case as otherwise agreed upon in writing by the Debtors and the Holder of such Claim.
- 1.97 Senior Claim means any Administrative Claim, Convenience Claim, Non-Tax Priority Claim, Priority Tax Claim or Secured Claim against any of the Debtors.
- 1.98 Share Purchase Transaction means a transaction or transactions in connection with consummation of the Plan whereby all or substantially all of the Majority Shareholder's Interests in Syms are acquired.
- 1.99 Substantial Contribution Claim means a Claim under Bankruptcy Code sections 503(b)(3), (b)(4), or (b)(5) for compensation or reimbursement of expenses incurred in making a substantial contribution in the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 1.100 Superpriority Intercompany Claim means an Allowed Intercompany Claim arising from and after the Petition Date, with priority as an administrative expense of the kind specified in section 503(b) and super-priority of the kind specified in section 507(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, pursuant to the Amended Order Pursuant To 11 U.S.C. §§ 105(a) And 363, Fed. R. Bankr. P. 6003 And Del. Bankr. L.R. 2015-2 (I) Authorizing Continued Maintenance Of Existing Bank Accounts, (II) Authorizing Continued Use Of Existing Business Forms And (III) Authorizing Continued Use Of Existing Cash Management System With Certain Modifications, dated December 28, 2011.
  - 1.101 Syms means Syms Corp.
- 1.102 Syms Assets means all assets of the Syms estate as of the Effective Date including, but not limited to, Syms Cash and Syms Owned Real Estate.

- 1.103 Syms General Unsecured Claim means a Claim against Syms, including a Claim on account of a guarantee provided by Syms, that is not an Administrative Claim, Convenience Claim, Intercompany Claim, Non-Tax Priority Claim, Priority Tax Claim, Secured Claim, or Superpriority Intercompany Claim.
- 1.104 Syms Owned Real Estate means all real property (including leasehold interests) owned by Syms as of the Effective Date.
- 1.105 Unimpaired means a Claim, Class, or Interest that is not impaired within the meaning of Bankruptcy Code section 1124.
- 1.106 U.S. Trustee means the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware.
- 1.107 Voting Deadline means the date and time, as fixed by an order of the Bankruptcy Court and set forth in the Disclosure Statement, by which all Ballots to accept or reject the Plan must be received in order to be counted.
- 1.108 Voting Record Date means the date of entry of any order approving the Disclosure Statement.
- 1.109 Workers Compensation Claim means a Claim held by a current or former employee of the Debtors for workers' compensation insurance coverage under the workers' compensation laws applicable in the particular state in which the employee is or was employed by the Debtors.

# C. Rules of Interpretation

For purposes of the Plan, (a) any reference in the Plan to a contract, instrument, release, indenture, or other agreement or document being in a particular form or on particular terms and conditions means that such document shall be substantially in such form or substantially on such terms and conditions, (b) any reference in the Plan to an existing document or exhibit Filed or to be Filed means such document or exhibit as it may have been or may be amended, modified, or supplemented, (c) unless otherwise specified, all references in the Plan to sections, articles, Schedules and Exhibits are references to sections, articles, Schedules and Exhibits of or to the Plan, (d) the words "herein" and "hereto" refer to the Plan in its entirety rather than to a particular portion of the Plan, (e) captions and headings to Articles and Sections are inserted for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be a part of or to affect the interpretation of the Plan, and (f) to the extent not modified herein, the rules of construction set forth in Bankruptcy Code section 102 and in the Bankruptcy Rules shall apply.

## D. Computation of Time

In computing any period of time prescribed or allowed by the Plan, the provisions of Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a) shall apply.

# E. Governing Law

Unless a rule of law or procedure is supplied by federal law (including the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules) and except as otherwise provided herein or therein, the laws of (i) the State of Delaware shall govern the construction and implementation of the Plan and any agreements, documents, and instruments executed in connection with the Plan and (ii) the laws of the state of incorporation of

each Debtor, as may be modified by the Plan, shall govern corporate governance matters with respect to such Debtor, in either case without giving effect to the principles of conflicts of law thereof.

#### F. Exhibits

All Exhibits are incorporated into and are a part of this Plan as if set forth in full herein, and, to the extent not annexed hereto, such Exhibits shall be filed in one or more Plan Supplements with the Bankruptcy Court on or before the Exhibit Filing Date. After the Exhibit Filing Date, copies of Exhibits can be obtained upon written request to Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, One Rodney Square, P.O. Box 636, Wilmington, Delaware, 19899 (Attn: Mark S. Chehi, Esq.), counsel to the Debtors or by downloading such Exhibits from the Bankruptcy Court's website at http://www.deb.uscourts.gov (registration required) or the Claims Agent's website at www.kccllc.net. To the extent any Exhibit is inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, unless otherwise ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, the non-Exhibit portion of the Plan shall control.

#### II. PLAN SETTLEMENT

The Plan implements a comprehensive compromise and settlement (the "Plan Settlement") of (i) the treatment of Intercompany Claims, Superpriority Intercompany Claims, Claims against Filene's, Claims against Syms, and the Claims and Interests asserted by other parties in interest, (ii) the disposition of the property of the Debtors' Estates, (iii) any possible claims or causes of action that the Debtors' Estates should be substantively consolidated, (iv) the disposition of any claims or causes of action of the Debtors or their Estates and (v) any claims or causes of action between and among the Equity Committee and the members of the Equity Committee and their affiliates on the one hand, and the Majority Shareholder and current and former officers, directors, managers and professionals of the Debtors, on the other. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and section 1123(b)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code and consistent with section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Plan shall constitute a motion for approval of, and the Confirmation Order shall authorize and constitute Bankruptcy Court approval of, the Plan Settlement.

Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and in consideration for the Distributions and other benefits provided under the Plan, the provisions of the Plan, including the Share Purchase Transaction and the releases set forth in the Plan, shall constitute a good faith compromise and settlement of all Claims or controversies relating to the rights that a Holder of a Claim or Interest may have with respect to any Claim, Interest or any Distribution to be made pursuant to the Plan on account of any Allowed Claim or Interest or on account of any Intercompany Claim. The entry of the Confirmation Order shall constitute the Bankruptcy Court's approval, as of the Effective Date, of the compromise or settlement of all such Claims or controversies and the Bankruptcy Court's finding that such compromise or settlement is in the best interests of the Debtors, the Reorganized Debtors and their respective property and Claim and Interest Holders and is fair, equitable and reasonable.

On the Effective Date, pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 and section 1123(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, in full and final satisfaction, settlement and release of all Intercompany Claims, Superpriority Intercompany Claims, any possible claims or causes of action that the Debtors' Estates should be substantively consolidated, and for good and valuable consideration, including the treatment specified in the Plan for Claims against Filene's and the Claims and Interests asserted by other parties in interest, the Plan Settlement shall be effectuated in accordance with the following terms if the Plan Settlement is approved by the Bankruptcy Court:

1. The Holders of Intercompany Claims shall not receive or retain any property under the Plan on account of such Claims. On the Effective Date and immediately prior to the Merger,

Intercompany Claims shall be deemed to offset and all Intercompany Claims remaining after offset shall be deemed cancelled and extinguished.

- 2. The Holders of Superpriority Intercompany Claims shall not receive or retain any property under the Plan on account of such Claims. On the Effective Date and immediately prior to the Merger, Superpriority Intercompany Claims shall be deemed to offset and all Superpriority Intercompany Claims remaining after offset shall be deemed cancelled and extinguished.
- 3. On the Effective Date, all property of each of the Debtors' Estates shall vest in Reorganized Syms. Filene's Cash shall be transferred to the Filene's Segregated Fund to be used by Reorganized Syms to make distributions to Holders of Allowed Claims against Filene's in accordance with the treatment provisions set forth herein.
- 4. Reorganized Syms shall assume any and all Indemnification Obligations of the Debtors pursuant to Article VIII.B. of the Plan; *provided, however*, that such assumption shall not cause the assumption of any severance obligation by any Debtor or Reorganized Syms not previously approved by the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to the KEIP Order.
- 5. The treatment of the Claims against and Interests in the Debtors shall be as specified in the Plan.
- 6. On the Effective Date, all actual or potential Claims and Causes of Action asserting that the Debtors' Estates or any of them should be substantively consolidated shall be deemed settled, released, waived and forever enjoined.
- 7. On the Effective Date, the Debtors and their Estates shall release the Released Parties in accordance with Section XI.E of the Plan.
- 8. On the Effective Date, all actual or potential Claims and Causes of Action between or among the Equity Committee and the members of the Equity Committee and their affiliates on the one hand, and the Majority Shareholder and current and former officers, directors, managers and professionals of the Debtors, on the other, shall be deemed settled, released, waived and forever enjoined.
- 9. On the Effective Date, the directors serving on the board of Syms immediately prior to the Effective Date shall retain reasonable access to the books and records of the Debtors following the Effective Date with respect to matters pertaining to the time period before the Effective Date.

#### III. CLASSIFICATION OF CLAIMS AND INTERESTS

## A. Separate Plans

This Plan, while prepared jointly, constitutes two separate plans, one for Syms, and one for Filene's. The Debtors do not believe that Advertising or Clothing have any assets or liabilities. Accordingly, the Debtors have not proposed a plan for either of these Debtors other than that they shall be merged into Reorganized Syms as provided in the Plan. Pursuant to section I 122 of the Bankruptcy Code, set forth below is a designation of certain unclassified Claims, along with Classes of Claims against and Interests in Syms and Filene's. A Claim or Interest is placed in a particular Class only to the extent that the Claim or Interest falls within the description of such other Classes to the extent that any portion of the Claim or Interest falls within the description of such other Classes. A Claim is also placed in a particular Class for the purpose of receiving distributions pursuant to this Plan only to

the extent that such Claim is an Allowed Claim in that Class and such Claim has not been paid, released, or otherwise settled prior to the Effective Date.

# B. Unclassified Claims Against Syms

- 1. Administrative Claims
- 2. Superpriority Intercompany Claims
- 3. Priority Tax Claims

## C. Classified Claims Against and Interests in Syms

- 1. Class 1: Secured Claims (Unimpaired). Syms Class 1 consists of separate sub-Classes for all Secured Claims against Syms.
- 2. Class 2: Non-Tax Priority Claims (Unimpaired). Syms Class 2 consists of Non-Tax Priority Claims against Syms.
- 3. Class 3: Convenience Claims (Unimpaired). Syms Class 3 consists of Convenience Claims against Syms
- 4. Class 4: General Unsecured Claims (Impaired). Syms Class 4 consists of Syms General Unsecured Claims.
- 5. Class 5: Intercompany Claims (Unimpaired). Syms Class 5 consists of Syms Intercompany Claims.
- 6. Class 6: Interests in Syms (Impaired). Syms Class 6 consists of all Interests in Syms.

## D. Unclassified Claims Against Filene's

- 1. Administrative Claims
- 2. Superpriority Intercompany Claims
- 3. Priority Tax Claims

# E. Classified Claims Against and Interests in Filene's

- 1. Class 1: Secured Claims (Unimpaired). Filene's Class 1 consists of separate sub-Classes for all Secured Claims against Filene's.
- 2. Class 2: Non-Tax Priority Claims (Unimpaired). Filene's Class 2 consists of Non-Tax Priority Claims against Filene's.
- 3. Class 3: Convenience Claims (Unimpaired). Filene's Class 3 consists of Convenience Claims against Filene's.
- 4. Class 4: Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims (Impaired). Filene's Class 4 consists of Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims.

- 5. Class 5: Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claims (Impaired). Filene's Class 5 consists of Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claims.
- 6. Class 6: Intercompany Claims (Impaired). Filene's Class 6 consists of Filene's Intercompany Claims.
- 7. Class 7: Interests in Filene's (Impaired). Filene's Class 7 consists of Interests in Filene's.

#### IV. TREATMENT OF CLAIMS AND INTERESTS

# A. Unclassified Claims Against Syms

#### 1. Administrative Claims

On, or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of, (i) the Initial Distribution Date or (ii) the Distribution Date immediately following the date on which an Administrative Claim becomes an Allowed Administrative Claim, each Holder of such Allowed Administrative Claim shall receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for such Allowed Administrative Claim, (a) Cash equal to the unpaid portion of the Face Amount of such Allowed Administrative Claim, payable from the Syms Assets or (b) such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and Syms shall have agreed upon in writing; provided, however, that Allowed Administrative Claims with respect to liabilities incurred by Syms in the ordinary course of business during the Chapter 11 Cases may be paid in the ordinary course of business in accordance with the terms and conditions of any agreements relating thereto.

# 2. Superpriority Intercompany Claims

Pursuant to the Plan Settlement, the Holders of Superpriority Intercompany Claims shall not receive or retain any property under the Plan on account of such Claims. On the Effective Date, all Superpriority Intercompany Claims shall be deemed offset, cancelled and extinguished.

## 3. Priority Tax Claims

On, or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of, (i) the Initial Distribution Date or (ii) the Distribution Date immediately following the date on which a Priority Tax Claim becomes an Allowed Priority Tax Claim, each Holder of such Allowed Priority Tax Claim shall receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for such Allowed Priority Tax Claim, (a) Cash equal to the unpaid portion of the Face Amount of such Allowed Priority Tax Claim, payable from the Syms Assets, or (b) such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and Syms shall have agreed upon in writing.

# B. Unclassified Claims Against Filene's

#### 1. Administrative Claims

On, or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of, (i) the Initial Distribution Date or (ii) the Distribution Date immediately following the date on which an Administrative Claim becomes an Allowed Administrative Claim, each Holder of such Allowed Administrative Claim shall receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for such Allowed Administrative Claim, (a) Cash equal to the unpaid portion of the Face Amount of such Allowed Administrative Claim, payable

from the Filene's Segregated Fund, or (b) such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and Filene's shall have agreed upon in writing; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that Allowed Administrative Claims with respect to liabilities incurred by Filene's in the ordinary course of business during the Chapter 11 Cases may be paid in the ordinary course of business in accordance with the terms and conditions of any agreements relating thereto.

#### 2. Superpriority Intercompany Claims

Pursuant to the Plan Settlement, the Holders of Superpriority Intercompany Claims shall not receive or retain any property under the Plan on account of such Claims. On the Effective Date, all Superpriority Intercompany Claims shall be deemed offset, cancelled and extinguished.

# 3. Priority Tax Claims

On, or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of, (i) the Initial Distribution Date or (ii) the Distribution Date immediately following the date on which a Priority Tax Claim becomes an Allowed Priority Tax Claim, each Holder of such Allowed Priority Tax Claim shall receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for such Allowed Priority Tax Claim, (a) Cash equal to the unpaid portion of the Face Amount of such Allowed Priority Tax Claim, payable from the Filene's Segregated Fund, or (b) such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and Filene's shall have agreed upon in writing.

# C. Classified Claims Against and Interests In Syms

## 1. Syms Class I: Secured Claims (Unimpaired)

Syms Class 1 consists of separate sub-Classes for all Secured Claims against Syms. On, or as soon as reasonably practicable after, the later of (a) the Initial Distribution Date, or (b) the Distribution Date immediately following the date on which a Secured Claim becomes an Allowed Secured Claim, the Holder of such Allowed Secured Claim shall receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for, such Allowed Secured Claim, (i) Cash equal to the value of its Allowed Secured Claim, (ii) the Collateral securing the Secured Claim, or (iii) such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and Syms shall have agreed upon in writing. Any Holder of a Secured Claim shall retain its right of setoff or Lien in the Collateral or the proceeds of the Collateral (to the extent that such Collateral is sold (or deemed abandoned) by Syms free and clear of such right of setoff or Lien) to the same extent and with the same priority as such right of setoff or Lien as of the Petition Date until such time as (A) the Holder of such Secured Claim (i) has been paid Cash equal to the value of its Allowed Secured Claim, (ii) has received a return of the Collateral securing the Secured Claim, or (iii) has been afforded such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and Syms shall have agreed upon in writing; or (B) such purported right of setoff or Lien has been determined by an order of the Bankruptcy Court to be invalid or otherwise avoidable.

## 2. Syms Class 2: Non-Tax Priority Claims (Unimpaired)

Syms Class 2 consists of Non-Tax Priority Claims against Syms. On, or as soon as reasonably practicable after, the later of (i) the Initial Distribution Date, or (ii) the Distribution Date immediately following the date on which a Non-Tax Priority Claim becomes an Allowed Non-Tax Priority Claim, each Holder of an Allowed Non-Tax Priority Claim shall be entitled to receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for such Allowed Non-Tax Priority Claim, Cash payable from the Syms Assets in an amount equal to its Allowed Non-Tax Priority Claim plus interest at the Case Interest Rate.

# 3. Syms Class 3: Convenience Claims (Unimpaired)

Syms Class 3 consists of Convenience Claims against Syms. On, or as soon as reasonably practicable after, the later of (i) the Initial Distribution Date, or (ii) the Distribution Date immediately following the date on which a Convenience Claim becomes an Allowed Convenience Claim, each Holder of such Allowed Convenience Claim shall receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for, such Allowed Convenience Claim, Cash payable from the Syms Assets in an amount equal to its Allowed Convenience Claim.

# 4. Syms Class 4: Syms General Unsecured Claims (Impaired)

Syms Class 4 consists of Syms General Unsecured Claims. After all Allowed Senior Claims have been paid in full or, to the extent not paid in full, funds sufficient to satisfy such Claims have been placed in a segregated reserve, and as and to the extent practicable as Net Proceeds become available, each Holder of an Allowed Syms General Unsecured Claim shall receive, on the later of (a) the Initial Distribution Date or (b) the Distribution Date(s) immediately following the date on which such Holder's Syms General Unsecured Claim becomes an Allowed Syms General Unsecured Claim, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for its Allowed Syms General Unsecured Claim (I) one or more cash payments aggregating not more than 100% of the Allowed amount of its Allowed Syms General Unsecured Claim (without interest), or (2) such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and Syms shall have agreed upon in writing.

If on the [4<sup>th</sup>] anniversary of the Effective Date each Holder of an Allowed Syms General Unsecured Claim has not received payment in full of 100% of the Allowed amount of its Claim, on that date three members of the board of directors of Reorganized Syms shall be replaced immediately by three persons designated by the Holders of Allowed Syms General Unsecured Claims, Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims and Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claims that have not received payment in full of the amounts they are entitled to receive under this Article IV of the Plan.

## 5. Syms Class 5: Syms Intercompany Claims (Impaired)

Syms Class 5 consists of Syms Intercompany Claims. Pursuant to the Plan Settlement, the Holders of Syms Intercompany Claims shall not receive or retain any property under the Plan on account of such Claims. On the Effective Date, all Syms Intercompany Claims shall be deemed offset, cancelled and extinguished.

# 6. Syms Class 6: Interests in Syms (Impaired)

Syms Class 6 consists of all Interests in Syms. All Interests in Syms are Allowed Interests and each Holder of an Interest in Syms shall retain its Interest, subject to the Share Purchase Transaction.

# D. Classified Claims Against And Interests In Filene's

# 1. Filene's Class 1: Secured Claims (Unimpaired)

Filene's Class 1 consists of separate sub-Classes for all Secured Claims against Filene's. On, or as soon as reasonably practicable after, the later of (a) the Initial Distribution Date, or (b) the Distribution Date immediately following the date on which a Secured Claim becomes an Allowed Secured Claim, the Holder of such Allowed Secured Claim shall receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for, such Allowed Secured Claim, (i) Cash equal to the value of its Allowed

Secured Claim, (ii) the Collateral securing the Secured Claim, or (iii) such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and the Debtors shall have agreed upon in writing. Any Holder of a Secured Claim shall retain its right of setoff or Lien in the Collateral or the proceeds of the Collateral (to the extent that such Collateral is sold (or deemed abandoned) by the Debtors free and clear of such right of setoff or Lien) to the same extent and with the same priority as such right of setoff or Lien as of the Petition Date until such time as (A) the Holder of such Secured Claim (i) has been paid Cash equal to the value of its Allowed Secured Claim, (ii) has received a return of the Collateral securing the Secured Claim, or (iii) has been afforded such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and the Debtors shall have agreed upon in writing; or (B) such purported right of setoff or Lien has been determined by an order of the Bankruptcy Court to be invalid or otherwise avoidable.

## 2. Filene's Class 2: Non-Tax Priority Claims (Unimpaired)

Filene's Class 2 consists of Non-Tax Priority Claims against Filene's. On, or as soon as reasonably practicable after, the later of (i) the Initial Distribution Date, or (ii) the Distribution Date immediately following the date on which a Non-Tax Priority Claim becomes an Allowed Non-Tax Priority Claim, each Holder of an Allowed Non-Tax Priority Claim shall be entitled to receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for such Allowed Non-Tax Priority Claim, Cash payable from the Filene's Segregated Fund in an amount equal to its Allowed Non-Tax Priority Claim plus interest at the Case Interest Rate.

#### 3. Filene's Class 3: Convenience Claims (Unimpaired)

Filene's Class 3 consists of Convenience Claims against Filene's. On, or as soon as reasonably practicable after, the later of (i) the Initial Distribution Date, or (ii) the Distribution Date immediately following the date on which a Convenience Claim becomes an Allowed Convenience Claim, the Holder of such Allowed Convenience Claim shall receive, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for, such Allowed Convenience Claim, Cash equal to the amount of its Allowed Convenience Claim, payable from the Filene's Segregated Fund and, if such fund is exhausted, from the Syms Assets.

## 4. Filene's Class 4: Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims (Impaired)

Filene's Class 4 consists of Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims. After all Allowed Senior Claims and Allowed Syms Class 3 General Unsecured Claims have been paid in full or, to the extent not paid in full, funds sufficient to satisfy such Claims have been placed in a segregated reserve, and as and to the extent practicable as Net Proceeds become available, each Holder of an Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim shall receive, on the later of (a) the Initial Distribution Date or (b) the Distribution Date(s) immediately following the date on which such Holder's Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim becomes an Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for its Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim (1) payments from (x) from the Filene's Segregated Fund to the extent funds therein are then available for pro rata distribution to Holders of Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims and (y) one or more cash payments from Reorganized Syms aggregating not more than 100% of the Allowed amount of its Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim (without interest), or (2) such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and Syms shall have agreed upon in writing.

If on the [4<sup>th</sup>] anniversary of the Effective Date each Holder of an Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim has not received payment in full of 100% of the Allowed amount of its Claim, on that date three members of the board of directors of Reorganized Syms shall be replaced

immediately by three persons designated by the Holders of Allowed Syms General Unsecured Claims, Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims and Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claims that have not then received payment in full of the amounts they are entitled to receive under this Article IV of the Plan.

#### 5. Filene's Class 5: Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claims (Impaired)

Filene's Class 5 consists of Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claims. After all Allowed Senior Claims, Allowed Syms Class 3 General Unsecured Claims, and Allowed Filene's Class 4 General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims have been paid in full or, to the extent not paid in full, funds sufficient to satisfy such Claims have been placed in a segregated reserve, and as and to the extent practicable as Net Proceeds become available, each Holder of an Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claim shall receive, on the later of (a) the Initial Distribution Date or (b) the Distribution Date(s) immediately following the date on which such Holder's Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claim becomes an Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim, in full satisfaction, settlement, release, and discharge of and in exchange for its Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claim (1) one or more cash payments from Reorganized Syms aggregating not more than [75%] of the Allowed amount of its Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claim (without interest) from 75% of the Net Proceeds of Syms Owned Real Estate available following the payment of (or reserving for) all Allowed Senior Claims, Allowed Syms Class 3 General Unsecured Claims, and Allowed Filene's Class 4 General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims, or (2) such other less favorable treatment as to which such Holder and Syms shall have agreed upon in writing.

If on the [4<sup>th</sup>] anniversary of the Effective Date each Holder of an Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claim has not received payment in full of [75%] of the Allowed amount of its Claim, on that date three members of the board of directors of Reorganized Syms shall be replaced immediately by three persons designated by the Holders of Allowed Syms General Unsecured Claims, Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims and Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claims that have not then received payment in full of the amounts they are entitled to receive under this Article IV of the Plan.

## 6. Filene's Class 6: Filene's Intercompany Claims (Impaired)

Filene's Class 6 consists of Filene's Intercompany Claims. Pursuant to the Plan Settlement, the Holders of Filene's Intercompany Claims shall not receive or retain any property under the Plan on account of such Claims. On the Effective Date, all Filene's Intercompany Claims shall be deemed cancelled and extinguished.

# 7. Filene's Class 7: Interests in Filene's (Impaired)

Filene's Class 7 consists of Interests in Filene's. On the Effective Date, all such Interests shall be cancelled, and the Holders thereof shall not be entitled to, and shall not receive or retain, any property or interest in property on account of such Interests.

# E. Special Provision Regarding Unimpaired Claims

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, the Confirmation Order, any other order of the Court, or any document or agreement enforceable pursuant to the terms of the Plan, nothing shall affect the rights and defenses, both legal and equitable, of the Debtors with respect to any Unimpaired Claims, including, but not limited to, all rights with respect to legal and equitable defenses to setoffs or recoupment against Unimpaired Claims.

## F. Allowed Claims

Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, Distributions shall be made only to Holders of Allowed Claims. No Holder of a Disputed Claim shall receive any Distribution on account thereof until (and then only to the extent that) its Disputed Claim becomes an Allowed Claim. The Debtors may, in their discretion, withhold Distributions otherwise due hereunder to any Claimholder until the Claims Objection Deadline to enable a timely objection thereto to be filed. Any Holder of a Claim that becomes an Allowed Claim after the Effective Date will receive its Distribution in accordance with the terms and provisions of this Plan.

# G. Pension Obligations

Following confirmation of the Plan, the Debtors intend to maintain the Syms Pension Plan (the "Pension Plan") and make all contributions required under applicable minimum funding rules. In the event that the Debtors seek to terminate the Pension Plan, the Debtors intend that any such termination shall be a standard termination pursuant to Section 4041(c) of the Employer Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

# H. Special Provisions Regarding Insured Claims

Distributions under the Plan to each Holder of an Insured Claim shall be in accordance with the treatment provided under the Plan for Syms General Unsecured Claims and Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims; provided, however, that the amount of any such Claim shall be determined as follows:

- (1) to the extent a Holder has an Allowed Insured Claim, all or a portion of which is within the applicable deductible or self-insured retention under the relevant insurance policy of the Debtors, then such Holder shall have an Allowed Syms General Unsecured Claim (if Syms is the policyholder) or Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim (if Filene's is the policyholder) for the amount which is within the applicable deductible or self-insured retention under the relevant insurance policy of the Debtors;
- (2) to the extent a Holder has an Allowed Insured Claim, a portion of which exceeds the applicable deductible or self-insured retention under the relevant insurance policy of the Debtors, then the amount of such Allowed Insured Claim that (i) exceeds the applicable deductible or self-insured retention but (ii) is less than or equal to the limits of coverage under the relevant insurance policy of the Debtors (the "Insurer Covered Amount") shall not be Allowed as a Syms General Unsecured Claim or a Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim; and
- (3) to the extent a Holder has an Allowed Insured Claim, a portion of which exceeds the limits of coverage under the relevant insurance policy of the Debtors, then such Holder shall have an Allowed Syms General Unsecured Claim or Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claim in the amount by which such Allowed Insured Claim exceeds the limits of coverage under the Debtors' relevant insurance policy;

# provided, further, that:

(1) the Insurer Covered Amount shall not be recoverable from the Debtors, and shall only be recoverable from the applicable insurer; and

(2) an Allowed Insured Claim shall not be valid or enforceable against the Debtors' insurers unless and until, among other things, the applicable deductible or self-insured retention has been satisfied in accordance with the Plan by a Distribution under the Plan by the Debtors (or after the Effective Date, the Reorganized Debtors) on account of a Claim equal to the full amount of the applicable deductible or self-insured retention.

Nothing in this section shall constitute a waiver of any causes of action the Debtors or Reorganized Debtors may hold against any Person, including the Debtors' or Reorganized Debtors' insurance carriers, or a waiver of any rights, claims or defenses the insurers may have. Nothing in this section is intended to, shall, or shall be deemed to preclude any holder of an Allowed Insured Claim from seeking and/or obtaining a distribution or other recovery from any insurer of the Debtors in addition to (but not in duplication of) any distribution such holder may receive under the Plan or to preclude any insurer from contesting or asserting defenses to the claims of such holders. The Debtors and Reorganized Debtors do not waive, and expressly reserve their rights to assert that any insurance coverage is property of the Estates to which they are entitled and the insurers expressly reserve their rights to contest or assert defenses to any such assertion by the Debtors or Reorganized Debtors. Nothing in the Disclosure Statement, Plan or Confirmation Order shall be construed as, or is, a determination as to coverage in connection with any Insured Claim under any applicable insurance policy.

# I. Special Provisions Regarding Workers' Compensation Claims and Obligations

As of the Effective Date, the Debtors and the Reorganized Debtors shall continue to honor in the ordinary course of business their obligations under the terms and conditions of (1) all applicable workers' compensation laws in states in which the Debtors and the Reorganized Debtors operate and (2) the Debtors' and the Reorganized Debtors' written contracts, agreements, policies, programs and plans for workers' compensation and workers' compensation insurance; provided, however, that nothing in this Plan shall limit, diminish or otherwise alter the Debtors' or Reorganized Debtors' defenses, causes of action or other rights under applicable non-bankruptcy law with respect to any such contracts, agreements, policies, programs and plans; provided, further, that nothing herein shall be deemed to impose any obligations on the Debtors or Reorganized Debtors in addition to those arising under applicable state law.

All Proofs of Claim on account of workers' compensation shall be deemed withdrawn automatically and without any further notice to or action, order or approval of the Bankruptcy Court.

## V. ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF THE PLAN

#### A. Impaired Classes Entitled to Vote

Only Holders of Syms Class 4 General Unsecured Claims, Syms Class 6 Interests Filene's Class 4 General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims and Filene's Class 5 General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claims are entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

# B. Acceptance by an Impaired Class

In accordance with Bankruptcy Code section 1126(c) and except as provided in Bankruptcy Code section 1126(e), (i) an Impaired Class of Claims shall have accepted the Plan if the Plan is accepted by the Holders of at least two-thirds in dollar amount and more than one-half in number of the Allowed Claims in such Class that have timely and properly voted to accept or reject the Plan and (ii) an Impaired Class of Interests shall have accepted the Plan if the Plan is accepted by the Holders of at least two-thirds of the Allowed Interests in such Class that have timely and properly voted to accept or reject the Plan.

# C. Presumed Acceptances/Rejections

Syms Classes 1, 2, and 3 and Filene's Classes 1, 2, and 3 are Unimpaired by the Plan. Under Bankruptcy Code section 1126(f), Holders of Claims in such Classes are conclusively presumed to accept the Plan, and the votes of such Holders will not be solicited. Under Bankruptcy Code section 1126(g), Holders of Syms Class 5 Claims and Holders of Filene's Class 6 Claims, and Holders of Filene's Class 7 Interests are not entitled to receive any recovery under the Plan but have proposed the Plan and therefore shall be deemed to have accepted the Plan.

#### VI. MEANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN

## A. Corporate Action

## 1. Continued Corporate Existence of Reorganized Syms

Subject to the transactions contemplated by this Plan, Reorganized Syms shall continue to exist after the Effective Date as a separate entity, with all the powers of a corporation under applicable law. On and after the Effective Date, Reorganized Syms may operate its businesses and may use, acquire and dispose of property and compromise or settle any Claims without supervision or approval by the Bankruptcy Court and free of any restrictions of the Bankruptcy Code or Bankruptcy Rules, other than those restrictions expressly imposed by the Plan or the Confirmation Order. Reorganized Syms shall be reorganized and reincorporated as a Delaware corporation as of the Effective Date pursuant to its certificate of incorporation and bylaws or other organizational documents as set forth in the Plan Supplement, without prejudice to any right to terminate such existence (whether by merger, dissolution or otherwise) under applicable law after the Effective Date. Among other things, Reorganized Syms' certificate of incorporation shall comply with section 1123(a)(6) of the Bankruptcy Code.

# 2. Governance and Management of Reorganized Syms

Reorganized Syms's Board of Directors shall be comprised of five (5) members. One (1) member shall be an outside director with real estate expertise reasonably acceptable to the Creditors' Committee and Equity Committee.

Subject to any requirement of Bankruptcy Court approval pursuant to section 1129(a)(5) of the Bankruptcy Code, the initial board of directors and the officers of Reorganized Syms will be identified in the Plan Supplement. The compensation to be disbursed to the directors, executives and officers serving Reorganized Syms as of the Effective Date also will be disclosed in the Plan Supplement. The organizational documents of Reorganized Syms shall provide for the replacement of three (3) members of the Board of Directors of Reorganized Syms by persons designated by the Holders of Allowed Syms General Unsecured Claims, Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Short-Term) Claims and Allowed Filene's General Unsecured (Long-Term) Claims (as the case may be) in accordance with Article IV of the Plan in the event such Holders do not receive payment in full of the amounts they are entitled to receive on the dates set under Article IV of the Plan.

# 3. Merger of Filene's, Advertising and Clothing into Reorganized Syms

On the Effective Date, or as soon thereafter as is practicable, Filene's, Advertising and Clothing shall be merged with and into Reorganized Syms in accordance with applicable governing law, <u>provided however</u>, that all Filene's Cash and other assets of Filene's shall be transferred to the Filene's Segregated Fund from which Reorganized Syms will make distributions to Holders of Filene's Claims in accordance with the terms of this Plan.

The officers, directors and managers of Filene's Advertising and Clothing shall be deemed to have resigned upon the Effective Date, or as soon thereafter as the Merger may be effected in accordance with applicable law; provided, however, that such resignations shall not be effective until such officers, directors and managers have discharged all remaining responsibilities with respect to such entities in accordance with applicable law. If necessary or appropriate, Reorganized Syms shall cause certificates of merger to be filed for Filene's, Advertising and Clothing and shall take all other actions necessary or appropriate to effect the Merger under applicable law.

## 4. No Further Corporate Action

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, each of the matters provided for under the Plan involving the corporate or limited liability company structure of the Debtors or corporate or limited liability company action to be taken by or required of the Debtors shall, as of the Effective Date, be deemed to have occurred and be effective as provided herein, and shall be authorized and approved in all respects without any requirement of further action by any Person, including but not limited to, Holders of Claims against or Interests in the Debtors, or directors or officers of the Debtors.

# 5. Effectuating Documents; Further Transactions

The Debtors' officers and directors, as appropriate, shall be authorized to execute, deliver, file or record such contracts, instruments, releases, indentures and other agreements or documents, and take such actions as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate and further evidence the terms and conditions of the Plan.

## **B.** Vesting of Estate Assets

On the Effective Date, and except as otherwise set forth herein, all property of the Estates, including the Syms Owned Real Estate and all Causes of Action and Avoidance Actions, shall vest in Reorganized Syms free and clear of all Claims, Liens, charges, encumbrances, rights, and Interests of creditors and equity security holders; provided, however, that on the Effective Date, all Filene's Cash and proceeds of other Filene's assets shall be deemed transferred to Filene's Segregated Fund from which Reorganized Syms will make distributions to Holders of Allowed Claims against Filene's in accordance with the terms of the Plan. As of the Effective Date, Reorganized Syms shall operate its business and use, acquire and dispose of its property, including by operating, leasing and disposing of the Syms Owned Real Estate, in a commercially reasonable manner designed to maximize value, without supervision of the Bankruptcy Court, and free of any restrictions imposed by the Bankruptcy Code or the Bankruptcy Rules, other than those restrictions expressly imposed by this Plan or the Confirmation Order.

## C. Sources of Distributions and Uses of Net Proceeds of Syms Owned Real Estate

Distributions in accordance with the terms of the Plan shall be made from, among other things, (i) Cash on hand as of the Effective Date, (ii) proceeds of any Exit Financing that may be required to confirm and consummate the Plan, (iii) Net Proceeds from the disposition of Syms Owned Real Estate, and/or (iii) proceeds from any post-Effective Date financings or capital raises as may be authorized by the Board of Directors of Reorganized Syms. Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other term of the Plan, the first \$5.0 million of Net Proceeds realized from the sale of Syms Owned Real Estate shall be retained by Reorganized Syms and used to fund working capital for Reorganized Syms.

# D. Cancellation of Existing Securities and Agreements

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, and in any contract, instrument or other agreement or document created in connection with the Plan, on the Effective Date and concurrently with the applicable Distributions made pursuant to Article IV hereof, all promissory notes, share certificates, other instruments evidencing any Claims or Interests, other than a Claim or Interest that is Unimpaired under the Plan and Syms Class 5 Interests, and all options, warrants, calls, rights, puts, awards, commitments, or any other agreements of any character to acquire such Syms Class 5 Interests, shall be deemed canceled and of no further force and effect, without any further act or action under any applicable agreement, law, regulation, order, or rule, and the obligations of the Debtors under the notes, share certificates, and other agreements and instruments governing such Claims and Interests shall be discharged. The holders of or parties to such canceled notes, share certificates and other agreements and instruments shall have no rights arising from or relating to such notes, share certificates and other agreements and instruments or the cancellation thereof, except the rights provided pursuant to the Plan.

## E. Issuance of New Securities and Capital Raising

Following the Effective Date, Reorganized Syms may issue new debt or equity capital in accordance with applicable law, as and to the extent authorized by the Board of Directors of Reorganized Syms.

## F. Funding of Reserves

#### 1. Professional Fee Reserve

On or before the Effective Date, the Debtors shall fund the Professional Fee Reserve in the amount of the aggregate Professional Fee Estimate. The Debtors shall (i) segregate and shall not commingle the Cash held therein and (ii) pay each Allowed Professional Fee Claim from the Professional Fee Reserve upon entry of a Final Order allowing such Claim. In the event that Cash remains in the Professional Fee Reserve after payment of all Allowed Professional Fee Claims, such residual Cash shall be utilized to make distributions to Holders of Claims and Interests as provided for in the Plan.

#### Administrative Claims Reserve

On or before the Effective Date, the Debtors shall fund the Administrative Claims Reserve in an amount equal to an estimate of all Administrative Claims. The Debtors shall (i) segregate and shall not commingle the Cash held therein and (ii) pay each Allowed Administrative Claim, upon entry of a Final Order allowing such Claim or on such other date provided herein. In the event that Cash remains in the Administrative Claims Reserve after payment of all Allowed Administrative Claims, such residual Cash shall be used to make distributions to Holders of Claims and Interests as provided for in the Plan.

# G. Exemption from Certain Transfer Taxes

Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1146(a), any transfers from any of the Debtors to any Person, including any transfers of Syms Owned Real Estate after Confirmation in the United States, shall not be subject to any stamp tax or similar tax, and the Confirmation Order shall direct the appropriate state or local governmental officials or agents to forgo the collection of any such tax or governmental assessment and to accept for filing and recordation any of the foregoing instruments or other documents without the payment of any such tax or governmental assessment.

# H. Preservation and Settlement of Causes of Action and Avoidance Actions

#### 1. Preservation of Causes of Action and Avoidance Actions

In accordance with Bankruptcy Code section 1123(b)(3) and except as otherwise provided in the Plan or the Confirmation Order, the Debtors shall retain all of the Causes of Action and Avoidance Actions and all such Causes of Action and Avoidance Actions shall vest in Reorganized Syms on the Effective Date, a nonexclusive list of which will be set forth in the Plan Supplement. Reorganized Syms may investigate, enforce, sue on, settle or compromise (or decline to do any of the foregoing) any or all of the Causes of Action and Avoidance Actions. The failure of the Debtors to list a claim, right, cause of action, suit or proceeding in the Plan Supplement shall not constitute a waiver or release by the Debtors or their Estates of such claim, right of action, suit or proceeding. Such Causes of Action and Avoidance Actions shall survive entry of the Confirmation Order for the benefit of the Debtors and their Estates.

# 2. Settlement of Causes of Action and Avoidance Actions

At any time after the Confirmation Date but before the Effective Date, notwithstanding anything in the Plan to the contrary, Reorganized Syms may settle some or all of the Causes of Action and Avoidance Actions pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019 with the approval of the Court and upon notice to the Creditors' Committee and the Equity Committee; after the Effective Date, Reorganized Syms, will determine whether to bring, settle, release, compromise, enforce or abandon such rights (or decline to do any of the foregoing).

## I. Effectuating Documents; Further Transactions

The Debtors shall be authorized to execute, deliver, file or record such contracts, instruments, releases, indentures and other agreements or documents, and take such actions as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate and further evidence the terms and conditions of the Plan, that are not inconsistent with the other terms and conditions of the Plan.

#### VII. PROVISIONS GOVERNING DISTRIBUTIONS

## A. Distributions for Claims Allowed as of the Effective Date

All Distributions to be made on account of Claims that are Allowed Claims as of the Effective Date shall be made on the Initial Distribution Date or as soon thereafter as Cash becomes available therefore. Distributions on account of Claims that first become Allowed Claims after the Effective Date shall be made pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Plan, and on such day as selected by Reorganized Syms in its sole discretion. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan to the contrary, no Distribution shall be made on account of any Allowed Claim or portion thereof that (i) has been satisfied after the Petition Date pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court; or (ii) is listed in the Debtors' schedules (as may be amended or supplemented from time to time) as contingent, unliquidated, disputed or in a zero amount, and for which a Proof of Claim has not been timely filed.

# B. Reorganized Syms as Disbursing Agent

Subject to the terms and provisions of this Plan, Reorganized Syms shall make all Distributions required under this Plan with respect to the Debtors' Estates. Reorganized Syms shall not be required to give any bond or surety or other security for the performance of its duties unless otherwise ordered by the Bankruptcy Court or required by the Bankruptcy Code or the Bankruptcy Rules. Reorganized Syms shall be authorized and directed to rely upon the Debtors' books and records and the Debtors' representatives

and professionals in determining Claims not entitled to a Distribution under the Plan in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

# C. Delivery of Distributions and Undeliverable or Unclaimed Distributions

## 1. Delivery of Distributions in General

Distributions to Holders of Allowed Claims shall be made by Reorganized Syms (a) at the addresses set forth on the Proofs of Claim filed by such Holders (or at the last known addresses of such Holders if no Proof of Claim is filed or if the Debtors have been notified of a change of address), (b) at the addresses set forth in any written notices of address changes delivered to the Debtors after the date of any related Proof of Claim, (c) at the addresses reflected in the Schedules if no Proof of Claim has been filed and the Debtors have not received a written notice of a change of address, (d) at the addresses set forth in the other records of the Debtors at the time of the Distribution or (e) in the case of the Holder of a Claim that is governed by an agreement and is administered by an agent or servicer, at the addresses contained in the official records of such agent or servicer. In making Distributions under the Plan, Reorganized Syms may rely upon the accuracy of the claims register maintained by the Claims Agent in the Chapter 11 Cases, as modified by any Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court disallowing Claims in whole or in part.

#### 2. Undeliverable and Unclaimed Distributions

If the Distribution to any Holder of an Allowed Claim or Allowed Interest is returned to Reorganized Syms as undeliverable or is otherwise unclaimed, no further Distributions shall be made to such Holder unless and until Reorganized Syms is notified in writing of such Holder's then-current address, at which time all missed Distributions shall be made to such Holder without interest. Amounts in respect of undeliverable Distributions shall be returned to Reorganized Syms until such Distributions are claimed. Reorganized Syms shall segregate and, deposit in a segregated account (the "Unclaimed Distribution Reserve") undeliverable and unclaimed Distributions for the benefit of all such similarly situated Persons or Governmental Units until such time as a Distribution becomes deliverable or is claimed.

Any Holder of an Allowed Claim or Allowed Interest that does not assert a Claim or Interest pursuant to this Plan for an undeliverable or unclaimed Distribution within six (6) months after the last Distribution Date shall be deemed to have forfeited its Claim or Interest for such undeliverable or unclaimed Distribution and shall be forever barred and enjoined from asserting any such Claim or Interest for an undeliverable or unclaimed Distribution against the Debtors and their Estates, and their respective agents, attorneys, representatives, employees or independent contractors, and/or any of its and their property. In such cases, any Cash otherwise reserved for undeliverable or unclaimed Distributions shall be distributed in accordance with the terms of this Plan. Nothing contained in this Plan shall require Reorganized Syms to attempt to locate any Holder of an Allowed Claim or Allowed Interest.

# D. Prepayment

Except as otherwise provided in this Plan or the Confirmation Order, Reorganized Syms shall have the right to prepay, without penalty, all or any portion of an Allowed Claim.

## E. Means of Cash Payment

Cash payments made pursuant to this Plan shall be in U.S. dollars and shall be made at the option and in the sole discretion of Reorganized Syms by (i) checks drawn on or (ii) wire transfers from a

domestic bank selected by Reorganized Syms. In the case of foreign creditors, Cash payments may be made, at the option of Reorganized Syms, in such funds and by such means as are necessary or customary in a particular jurisdiction.

# F. Interest on Disputed Claims

Unless otherwise specifically provided for in the Plan or the Confirmation Order, interest shall not accrue or be paid upon any Disputed Claim in respect of the period from the Petition Date to the date such Disputed Claim becomes an Allowed Claim.

# G. Withholding and Reporting Requirements

In accordance with Bankruptcy Code section 346 and in connection with the Plan and all Distributions thereunder, Reorganized Syms shall, to the extent applicable, comply with all withholding and reporting requirements imposed by any U.S. federal, state, local, or non-U.S. taxing authority. Reorganized Syms shall be authorized to take any and all actions necessary and appropriate to comply with such requirements. All Distributions hereunder may be subject to the withholding and reporting requirements. As a condition of making any Distribution under the Plan, Reorganized Syms may require the Holder of an Allowed Claim or Allowed Interest to provide such Holder's taxpayer identification number, and such other information, certification, or forms as necessary to comply with applicable tax reporting and withholding laws. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, each Entity receiving a Distribution pursuant to this Plan shall have sole and exclusive responsibility for the satisfaction and payment of tax obligations on account of any such Distribution.

#### H. Setoffs

## 1. By Reorganized Syms

Except as otherwise set forth in the Plan, Reorganized Syms may, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 553, 558 or any other applicable law, but shall not be required to, set off against any Claim, and the payments or other Distributions to be made pursuant to the Plan in respect of such Claim, Claims of any nature whatsoever that the Debtors may have against the Holder of such Claim; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that neither the failure to do so nor the allowance of any Claim hereunder shall constitute a waiver or release by the Debtors of any such Claim that the Debtors may have against such Holder.

## 2. By Non-Debtors

Unless otherwise authorized by a Final Order, any Holder of a Claim must assert any setoff rights against a Claim by a Debtor against such Entity by timely filing (i) a Proof of Claim asserting such right of setoff, (ii) an appropriate motion on or before the Confirmation Date seeking authority to setoff, or (iii) an objection to Confirmation on or before the Confirmation Objection Deadline asserting, preserving or otherwise referencing the existence of such right of setoff, or will be deemed to have waived and be forever barred from asserting any right to setoff against a Claim by a Debtor; provided, however, that the right of any Debtor to object to the validity of any asserted right of setoff shall be preserved.

## I. Procedure for Treating and Resolving Disputed, Contingent and/or Unliquidated Claims

## 1. Objection Deadline; Prosecution of Objections

Except as set forth in the Plan with respect to Professional Fee Claims and Administrative Claims, all objections to Claims must be filed and served on the Holders of such Claims by the Claims Objection

Deadline, as the same may be extended by the Bankruptcy Court. If an objection has not been filed to a Claim or the Schedules have not been amended with respect to a Claim that (i) was Scheduled by the Debtors but (ii) was not Scheduled as contingent, unliquidated, and/or disputed, by the Claims Objection Deadline, as the same may be extended by order of the Bankruptcy Court, the Claim to which the Proof of Claim or Scheduled Claim relates will be treated as an Allowed Claim if such Claim has not been allowed earlier. Notice of any motion for an order extending the Claims Objection Deadline shall be required to be given only to those Entities that have requested notice in the Chapter 11 Cases, or to such Entities as the Bankruptcy Court shall order. From the Confirmation Date through the Claims Objection Deadline, Reorganized Syms shall have the exclusive authority to file objections, settle, compromise, withdraw, or litigate to judgment objections to Claims.

#### 2. No Distributions Pending Allowance

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, no payments or Distributions shall be made with respect to all or any portion of a Disputed Claim unless and until all objections to such Disputed Claim have been settled or withdrawn or have been determined by Final Order, and the Disputed Claim, or some portion thereof, has become an Allowed Claim. To the extent that a Claim is not a Disputed Claim but is held by a Holder that is or may be liable to the Debtors, no payments or Distributions shall be made with respect to all or any portion of such Claim unless and until such Claim and liability have been settled or withdrawn or have been determined by Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court or such other court having jurisdiction over the matter. On each Distribution Date, Reorganized Syms will make Distributions (a) on account of any Disputed Claim that has become an Allowed Claim since the preceding Distribution Date and (b) on account of previously Allowed Claims, from the applicable reserves, of property that would have been distributed to such Claimholders on the dates Distributions previously were made to Holders of Allowed Claims had the Disputed Claims that have become Allowed Claims been Allowed on such dates.

#### De Minimis Distributions

Reorganized Syms shall not have any obligation to make a Distribution on account of an Allowed Claim from any reserve or otherwise if (a) the aggregate amount of all Distributions authorized to be made from such reserve or otherwise on the Distribution Date in question (other than the final Distribution Date) is or has a value less than \$250,000, or (b) if the amount to be distributed to the specific Holder of the Allowed Claim on the particular Distribution Date does not constitute a final Distribution to such Holder and such Distribution has a value less than \$10.00. Reorganized Syms shall have no obligation to make any Distribution, whether final or not, unless and until the total amount of such Distribution to a specific Holder of an Allowed Claim is equal to or greater than \$10.00.

## 4. Claims Resolution and Compromise

As of the Effective Date, Reorganized Syms is authorized to compromise or settle all Claims, Disputed Claims, and Liens pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9019(b), and to execute necessary documents, including Lien releases (subject to the written consent of the party having such Lien) and stipulations of settlement or release, without further order of the Bankruptcy Court and free of any restrictions of the Bankruptcy Code or Bankruptcy Rules, other than those restrictions expressly imposed by the Plan or the Confirmation Order.

#### J. Fractional Dollars

Any other provision of this Plan notwithstanding, Reorganized Syms shall not be required to make Distributions or payments of fractions of dollars. Whenever any payment of a fraction of a dollar

under this Plan would otherwise be called for, the actual payment shall reflect a rounding of such fraction to the nearest whole dollar (up or down), with half dollars being rounded down.

## K. Allocation of Plan Distributions Between Principal and Interest

To the extent that any Allowed Claim entitled to a Distribution under this Plan is composed of indebtedness and accrued but unpaid interest thereon, such Distribution shall, for all income tax purposes, be allocated to the principal amount of the Claim first and then, to the extent the consideration exceeds the principal amount of the Claim, to the portion of such Claim representing accrued but unpaid interest.

#### L. Distribution Record Date

Reorganized Syms shall have no obligation to recognize the transfer of or sale of any participation in any Allowed Claim or Allowed Interest that occurs after the close of business on the Distribution Record Date, and will be entitled for all purposes herein to recognize and distribute only to those Holders of Allowed Claims and Interests who are Holders, or participants therein, as of the close of business on the Distribution Record Date. Instead, Reorganized Syms shall be entitled to recognize and deal for all purposes under this Plan with only those record holders stated on the official claims register or other applicable records as of the close of business on the Distribution Record Date.

#### VIII. TREATMENT OF EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES

## A. Rejected Contracts and Leases

Except as otherwise provided in the Confirmation Order, the Plan, or any other Plan document, the Confirmation Order shall constitute an order under Bankruptcy Code section 365 rejecting all prepetition executory contracts, including purchase orders, and unexpired leases to which any Debtor is a party, to the extent such contracts or leases are executory contracts or unexpired leases, on and subject to the occurrence of the Effective Date, unless such contract or lease (a) previously shall have been assumed, assumed and assigned, or rejected by the Debtors, (b) previously shall have expired or terminated pursuant to its own terms before the Effective Date, (c) is the subject of a pending motion to assume or reject on the Confirmation Date, or (d) is identified in Exhibit B to the Plan as an insurance policy or insurance agreement of the Debtors; provided, however, that the Debtors may amend such Exhibit B at any time prior to the Confirmation Date; provided further, however, that listing an insurance agreement on such Exhibit shall not constitute an admission by a Debtor that such agreement is an executory contract or that any Debtor has any liability thereunder.

### B. Insurance Policies and Agreements

Insurance policies issued to, or insurance agreements entered into by, the Debtors prior to the Petition Date (including, without limitation, any policies covering directors' or officers' conduct) shall continue in effect after the Effective Date. To the extent that such insurance policies or agreements (including, without limitation, any policies covering directors' or officers' conduct) are considered to be executory contracts, then, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan, the Plan shall constitute a motion to assume or ratify such insurance policies and agreements, and, subject to the occurrence of the Effective Date, the entry of the Confirmation Order shall constitute approval of such assumption pursuant to section 365(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and a finding by the Bankruptcy Court that each such assumption is in the best interests of each Debtor and its Estate. Unless otherwise determined by the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to a Final Order or agreed to by the parties thereto prior to the Effective Date, no payments shall be required to cure any defaults of the Debtors existing as of the Confirmation Date with respect to each such insurance policy or agreement. To the extent that the Bankruptcy Court

determines otherwise as to any such insurance policy or agreement, the Debtors reserve the right to seek the rejection of such insurance policy or agreement or other available relief.

# C. Indemnification Obligations

Notwithstanding Article VIII.A. of the Plan, or any contract, instrument, release, or other agreement or document entered into in connection with this Plan, any and all Indemnification Obligations that the Debtors have pursuant to a contract, instrument, agreement, certificate of incorporation, by-law, comparable organizational document or any other document, or applicable law shall be deemed an executory contract that is assumed as of the Effective Date, and all Claims arising out of Indemnification Obligations shall be deemed to be, and shall be treated as though they are, executory contracts that are assumed by Reorganized Syms pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Indemnification Obligations owed to any Professionals retained pursuant to sections 327 or 328 of the Bankruptcy Code and order of the Court, to the extent that such Indemnification Obligations relate to the period after the Petition Date, shall be deemed to be, and shall be treated as though they are, executory contracts that are assumed pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code under the Plan.

### D. Bar to Rejection Damages

If the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease pursuant to the Plan gives rise to a Claim by the other party or parties to such contract or lease, such Claim shall be forever barred and shall not be enforceable against the applicable Debtor or its Estate, or their respective successors or properties unless a Proof of Claim is filed with the Claims Agent and served on the Debtors and counsel for the Debtors within thirty (30) days after service of a notice of occurrence of the Effective Date or such other date as is prescribed by the Bankruptcy Court.

### E. Assumed and Assigned Contracts and Leases

Except as otherwise provided in the Confirmation Order, the Plan, or any other Plan document entered into after the Petition Date or in connection with the Plan, the Confirmation Order shall constitute an order under Bankruptcy Code section 365 assuming, as of the Effective Date, those agreements listed on Exhibit B to this Plan; provided, however, that the Debtors may amend such Exhibit at any time prior to the Confirmation Date; provided further, however, that listing an agreement on such Exhibit shall not constitute an admission by a Debtor that such agreement is an executory contract or that any Debtor has any liability thereunder.

#### IX. CONFIRMATION AND CONSUMMATION OF THE PLAN

#### A. Conditions to Confirmation

The following are conditions precedent to the occurrence of the Confirmation Date:

- 1. The entry of a Final Order finding that the Disclosure Statement contains adequate information pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1125;
- 2. The proposed Confirmation Order shall be, in form and substance, reasonably acceptable to the Debtors; and
- 3. All provisions, terms and conditions hereof are approved in the Confirmation Order.

#### B. Conditions to Effective Date

The following are conditions precedent to the occurrence of the Effective Date, each of which must be satisfied or waived in writing in accordance with Article IX.C:

- 1. The Confirmation Order shall have been entered and become a Final Order, shall be in form and substance acceptable to the Debtors and shall provide that the Debtors are authorized and directed to take all actions necessary or appropriate to enter into, implement and consummate the contracts, instruments, releases, leases, indentures, and other agreements or documents created in connection with the Plan or effectuate, advance, or further the purposes thereof;
- 2. All Plan Exhibits shall be in form and substance reasonably acceptable to the Debtors, and shall have been executed and delivered by all parties signatory thereto;
- 3. The Debtors shall be authorized and directed to take all actions necessary or appropriate to enter into, implement and consummate the contracts, instruments, releases, and the agreements or documents created in connection with the Plan;
- 4. All other actions, documents, and agreements necessary to implement the Plan shall have been effected or executed and shall be in form and substance acceptable to the Debtors;
- 5. The Professional Fee Reserve and the Administrative Claims Reserve shall have been funded; and
- 6. The Share Purchase Transaction shall have been consummated.

## C. Waiver of Conditions

Each of the conditions set forth in Articles IX.A and IX.B of the Plan may be waived in whole or in part by the Plan Proponents. The failure to satisfy or waive any condition to the Effective Date may be asserted by the Debtors regardless of the circumstances giving rise to the failure of such condition to be satisfied. The failure of a party to exercise any of the foregoing rights shall not be deemed a waiver of any other rights, and each such right shall be deemed an ongoing right that may be asserted at any time.

## D. Consequences of Non-Occurrence of Effective Date

In the event that the Effective Date does not timely occur, the Plan Proponents reserve all rights to seek an order from the Bankruptcy Court directing that the Confirmation Order be vacated, that the Plan be null and void in all respects, and/or that any settlement of Claims provided for in the Plan be null and void. In the event that the Bankruptcy Court shall enter an order vacating the Confirmation Order, the time within which the Debtors may assume and assign, or reject all executory contracts and unexpired leases not previously assumed, assumed and assigned, or rejected, shall be extended for a period of thirty (30) days after the date the Confirmation Order is vacated, without prejudice to further extensions.

#### E. Cram Down

The Plan Proponents request Confirmation under section 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to any Impaired Class that does not accept the Plan pursuant to section 1126 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors reserve the right to modify the Plan to the extent, if any, that Confirmation pursuant to section 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code requires modification.

#### X. ALLOWANCE AND PAYMENT OF CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE CLAIMS

#### A. Professional Fee Claims

## 1. Final Fee Applications

All Final Fee Applications must be filed no later than forty-five (45) days after the Effective Date. Objections, if any, to Final Fee Applications of such Professionals must be filed and served on the Debtors and their respective counsel, the Creditors' Committee and its counsel and the Equity Committee and its counsel, the requesting Professional and the Office of the U.S. Trustee no later than twenty (20) days from the date on which each such Final Fee Application is served and filed. After notice and a hearing in accordance with the procedures established by the Bankruptcy Code and prior orders of the Bankruptcy Court, the allowed amounts of such Professional Fee Claims shall be determined by the Court.

## 2. Employment of Professionals after the Effective Date

From and after the Effective Date, any requirement that professionals comply with Bankruptcy Code sections 327 through 331 or any order previously entered by the Bankruptcy Court in seeking retention or compensation for services rendered or expenses incurred after such date will terminate.

### B. Substantial Contribution Compensation and Expenses Bar Date

Any Person who wishes to make a Substantial Contribution Claim based on facts or circumstances arising after the Petition Date, must file an application with the clerk of the Court, on or before the Administrative Claims Bar Date, and serve such application on counsel for the Debtors, counsel for the Creditors' Committee, and counsel for the Equity Committee, and as otherwise required by the Court and the Bankruptcy Code, or be forever barred from seeking such compensation or expense reimbursement. Objections, if any, to the Substantial Contribution Claim must be filed no later than the Administrative Claims Objection Deadline, unless otherwise extended by Order of the Court.

### C. Administrative Claims

All Administrative Claims arising after the Petition Date, other than Professional Fee Claims, must be filed with the Claims Agent and served on counsel for the Debtors so as to be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time on the Administrative Claims Bar Date. Any such Claim may be submitted in person or by courier service, hand delivery or mail addressed to the Claims Agent at the Claims Agent's applicable addresses as specified in Article XIII.F herein. Any such Claim submitted by facsimile will not be accepted and will not be deemed filed until such Claim is submitted by one of the methods described in the foregoing sentence. An Administrative Claim will be deemed filed only when actually received by the Claims Agent. Unless Reorganized Syms or any other party in interest objects by the Administrative Claims Objection Deadline to an Administrative Claimant, such Claim shall be deemed allowed in the amount requested. In the event that Reorganized Syms or any other party in interest objects to such a Claim, the Bankruptcy Court shall determine the allowed amount of such Claim.

### XI. EFFECT OF PLAN CONFIRMATION

## A. Binding Effect

This Plan shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Debtors, all present and former Holders of Claims and Interests, and their respective successors and assigns.

## B. Discharge

Upon the Effective Date, the Debtors shall be discharged and released under section 1141(d)(1)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code from any and all Claims, including, but not limited to, demands and liabilities that arose before the Effective Date, and all debts of the kind specified in section 502 of the Bankruptcy Code, whether or not (i) a proof of claim based upon such debt is filed or deemed filed under section 501 of the Bankruptcy Code, (ii) a Claim based upon such debt is Allowed under section 502 of the Bankruptcy Code, (iii) a Claim based upon such debt is or has been disallowed by order of the Bankruptcy Court, or (iv) the Holder of a Claim based upon such debt accepted this Plan.

As of the Effective Date, except as provided in this Plan or the Confirmation Order, all Persons shall be precluded from asserting against the Debtors or their properties, including the Syms Owned Real Estate, any other or further Claims, debts, rights, Causes of Action, claims for relief, or liabilities relating to the Debtors based upon any act, omission, transaction, occurrence, or other activity of any nature that occurred prior to the Effective Date. In accordance with the foregoing, except as provided in this Plan or the Confirmation Order, the Confirmation Order shall be a judicial determination of discharge of all such Claims and other debts and liabilities, pursuant to sections 524 and 1141 of the Bankruptcy Code, and such discharge shall void any judgment obtained against the Debtors at any time, to the extent that such judgment relates to a discharged Claim.

# C. Injunction

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, the Confirmation Order shall provide, among other things, that from and after the Effective Date, all Persons who have held, hold or may hold Claims against or Interests in the Debtors are permanently enjoined from taking any of the following actions against the Estates, the Debtors, Reorganized Syms or any of their property on account of any such Claims or Interests: (A) commencing or continuing, in any manner or in any place, any action or other proceeding; (B) enforcing, attaching, collecting, or recovering in any manner any judgment, award, decree or order; (C) creating, perfecting, or enforcing any lien or encumbrance; (D) asserting a setoff, right of subrogation, or recoupment of any kind against any debt, liability, or obligation due to the Debtors; and (E) commencing or continuing, in any manner or in any place, any action that does not comply with or is inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan; provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall preclude such Persons from exercising their rights pursuant to and consistent with the terms of this Plan or the Confirmation Order; provided further, however, that nothing in this Article shall impair (i) the rights of any Holder of a Disputed Claim to establish its Claim in response to an objection filed by Reorganized Syms, or (ii) the rights of any defendant in a Cause of Action or Avoidance Action filed by Reorganized Syms to assert defenses in such action.

## D. Exculpation and Limitation of Liability

Except as otherwise specifically provided in the Plan, (i) the Debtors, (ii) all of the present or former directors, officers, or employees of any of the Debtors, acting in such capacity and serving as of the Petition Date, (iii) any Professionals of the Debtors, and (iv) the Creditors' Committee and the Equity Committee and their members and Professionals acting in their capacities as such, and any of such parties' successors and assigns, shall not have or incur any liability, claim, action, proceeding, Cause of Action, Avoidance Action, suit, account, controversy, agreement, promise, right to legal remedies, right to equitable remedies, right to payment, or Claim (as defined in Bankruptcy Code Section 101(5)), whether known, unknown, reduced to judgment, not reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured, or unsecured and whether asserted or assertable directly or derivatively, in law, equity, or otherwise to one another or to any Claimholder or Interestholder, or any other party in interest, or any of their respective agents, employees, representatives, financial advisors, attorneys, or affiliates, or any of their successors or assigns, for any act or omission originating or occurring on or after the Petition Date through and including the Effective Date in connection with, relating to, or arising out of the Debtors, the Chapter 11 Cases, the negotiation and filing of the Plan or any prior plans, the filing of the Chapter 11 Cases, the pursuit of confirmation of the Plan or any prior plans, the consummation of the Plan, the administration of the Plan, or the property to be liquidated and/or distributed under the Plan, except for their willful misconduct or gross negligence as determined by a Final Order of a court of competent jurisdiction, and in all respects shall be entitled to rely reasonably upon the advice of counsel with respect to their duties and responsibilities under the Plan provided, however, that the foregoing shall not extinguish the personal liability of any of the aforementioned Entities for any statutory violation of applicable tax laws or bar any right of action asserted by a governmental taxing authority against the aforementioned Entities for any statutory violation of applicable tax laws.

#### E. Debtor Releases

Pursuant to section 1123(b) of the Bankruptcy Code for good and valuable consideration, on and after the Effective Date, (i) all current and former officers, directors, employees, agents and professionals of the Debtors in their capacity as such, (ii) the Equity Committee and the Creditors' Committee and their respective members and professionals in their capacity as such, and (iii) the Majority Shareholder (the "Released Parties") are deemed released and discharged by the Debtors, Reorganized Syms and the Estates from any and all claims, obligations, rights, suits, damages, Causes of Action, remedies and liabilities whatsoever, including any derivative claims, asserted or assertable on behalf of the Debtors, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen, existing or hereinafter arising, in law, equity or otherwise, that the Debtors, Reorganized Syms, or the Estates would have been legally entitled to assert in their own right (whether individually or collectively) or on behalf of the Holder of any Claim or Interest or other Person, based on or relating to, or in any manner arising from, in whole or in part, the Debtors, the Chapter 11 Cases, the purchase, sale or rescission of the purchase or sale of any security of the Debtors or Reorganized Syms, the subject matter of, or the transactions or events giving rise to, any Claim or Interest that is treated in the Plan, the business or contractual arrangements between any Debtor and any of the foregoing releasees, the restructuring of Claims and Interests before or during the Chapter 11 Cases, the negotiation, formulation or preparation of the Plan, the Disclosure Statement, or related agreements, instruments or other documents, or upon any other act or omission, transaction, agreement, event or other occurrence taking place on or before the Effective Date.

## F. Third Party Releases

As of the Effective Date, each Holder of a Claim or Interest (the "Third Party Releasors") shall be deemed to have conclusively, unconditionally, irrevocably and forever released and discharged the Released Parties from any and all claims, obligations, rights, suits, damages, Causes of Action, remedies and liabilities whatsoever, including any derivative claims, asserted or assertable on behalf of the Debtors, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen, existing or hereinafter arising, in law, equity or otherwise, based on or relating to, or in any manner arising from, in whole or in part, the Debtors, the Chapter 11 Cases, the purchase, sale or rescission of the purchase or sale of any security of the Debtors or Reorganized Syms, the subject matter of, or the transactions or events giving rise to, any Claim or Interest that is treated in the Plan, the business or contractual arrangements between any Debtor and any of the Released Parties, the restructuring of Claims and Interests before or during the Chapter 11 Cases, the negotiation, formulation or preparation of the Plan, the Disclosure Statement, or related agreements, instruments or other documents, or upon any other act or omission, transaction, agreement, event or other occurrence taking place on or before the Effective Date, other than Claims or liabilities arising out of or relating to any act or omission of a Released Party that constitutes willful misconduct or gross negligence. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the foregoing, the third party release set forth above does not bind any Third Party Releasor unless such Third Party Releasor manifests its assent to such third party release by checking the appropriate box on the ballot accompanying the solicitation of votes on the Plan.

For the avoidance of doubt, this Section XI.F shall not be applied to, and shall not be deemed to, modify, limit or override the effect, scope and operation of Sections XI.A, XI.B, XI.C, XI.D and XI.E hereof.

## G. Term of Bankruptcy Injunction or Stays

All injunctions or stays provided for in the Chapter 11 Cases under Bankruptcy Code section 105 or 362, or otherwise, and in existence on the Confirmation Date, shall remain in full force and effect until the Effective Date. All injunctions or stays contained in the Plan or the Confirmation Order shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with their terms.

## XII. RETENTION OF JURISDICTION

Under Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a) and 1142, and notwithstanding entry of the Confirmation Order, substantial consummation of the Plan and occurrence of the Effective Date, the Bankruptcy Court shall retain jurisdiction over all matters arising out of, and related to, the Chapter 11 Cases and the Plan, including, among other things, jurisdiction to:

- 1. Allow, disallow, determine, liquidate, classify, estimate or establish the priority or secured or unsecured status of any Claim or Interest, including the resolution of any request for payment of any Administrative Claim, the resolution of any objections to the allowance or priority of Claims or Interests and the determination of requests for the payment of Claims entitled to priority under Bankruptcy Code section 507(a)(1), including compensation of any reimbursement of expenses of parties entitled thereto;
- 2. Hear and determine all applications for compensation and reimbursement of expenses of Professionals under the Plan or under Bankruptcy Code sections 330, 331, 503(b), 1103, and 1129(a)(4); provided, however, that from and after the

Effective Date, the payment of the fees and expenses of the retained Professionals of the Debtors shall be made in the ordinary course of business and shall not be subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court except to the extent otherwise provided in this Plan or the Confirmation Order;

- 3. Hear and determine all matters with respect to the assumption or rejection of any executory contract or unexpired lease to which a Debtor is a party or with respect to which a Debtor may be liable, and to hear, determine and, if necessary, liquidate any Claims arising therefrom;
- 4. Effectuate performance of and payments under the provisions of the Plan;
- 5. Hear and determine any and all adversary proceedings, motions, applications and contested or litigated matters arising out of, under or related to the Chapter 11 Cases or the Plan;
- 6. Enter such orders as may be necessary or appropriate to execute, implement or consummate the provisions of the Plan and all contracts, instruments, releases and other agreements or documents created in connection with the Plan, the Disclosure Statement or the Confirmation Order;
- 7. Hear and determine disputes arising in connection with the interpretation, implementation, consummation or enforcement of the Plan, including disputes arising under agreements, documents or instruments executed in connection with the Plan:
- 8. Consider any modifications of the Plan, and cure any defect or omission or reconcile any inconsistency in any order of the Bankruptcy Court, including, without limitation, the Confirmation Order;
- 9. Issue injunctions, enter and implement other orders or take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate to restrain interference by any entity with implementation, consummation, or enforcement of the Plan or the Confirmation Order:
- Enter and implement such orders as may be necessary or appropriate if the Confirmation Order is for any reason reversed, stayed, revoked, modified or vacated;
- 11. Hear and determine any matters arising in connection with or relating to the Plan, the Plan Supplement, the Disclosure Statement, the Confirmation Order or any contract, instrument, release or other agreement or document created in connection with the Plan, the Plan Supplement, the Disclosure Statement or the Confirmation Order;
- 12. Enforce all orders, judgments, injunctions, releases, exculpations, indemnifications and rulings entered in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases;
- 13. Except as otherwise limited herein, recover all assets of the Debtors and property of the Estates, wherever located;

- 14. Hear and determine matters concerning state, local and federal taxes in accordance with Bankruptcy Code sections 346, 505 and 1146;
- 15. Hear and determine any Causes of Action and Avoidance Actions, including any such Causes of Action and Avoidance Actions brought by the Debtors;
- 16. Hear and determine all disputes involving the existence, nature or scope of the injunctions, indemnification, exculpation and releases granted pursuant to this Plan;
- 17. Hear and determine all matters related to (i) the property of the Estates from and after the Confirmation Date, (ii) any winding up of the Debtors' affairs, and (iii) the activities of the Debtors, including (A) challenges to or approvals of the Debtors' activities and (B) reporting by, termination of and accounting by the Debtors;
- 18. Hear and determine all disputes involving any dispute relating to any liability arising out of any termination of employment or the termination of any employee or retiree benefit provision, regardless of whether such termination occurred prior to or after the Effective Date;
- 19. Hear and determine such other matters as may be provided in the Confirmation Order or as may be authorized under, or not inconsistent with, provisions of the Bankruptcy Code;
- 20. Enforce all orders previously entered by the Bankruptcy Court;
- 21. Dismiss any and/or all of the Chapter 11 Cases; and
- 22. Enter a final decree closing the Chapter 11 Cases.

#### XIII. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

#### A. Modifications and Amendments

The Debtors may alter, amend or modify the Plan or any Exhibits thereto under Bankruptcy Code section 1127(a) at any time prior to the Confirmation Date. After the Confirmation Date and prior to substantial consummation of the Plan as defined in Bankruptcy Code section 1101(2), the Debtors may, under Bankruptcy Code section 1127(b), institute proceedings in the Bankruptcy Court to remedy any defect or omission or reconcile any inconsistencies in the Plan, the Disclosure Statement or the Confirmation Order, and such matters as may be necessary to carry out the purpose and effect of the Plan so long as such proceedings do not adversely affect the treatment of Holders of Claims or Interests; provided, however, that prior notice of such proceedings shall be served in accordance with the Bankruptcy Rules or order of the Court.

## B. Severability of Plan Provisions

If, prior to Confirmation, any term or provision of the Plan is held by the Bankruptcy Court to be invalid, void or unenforceable, then the Bankruptcy Court, at the request of the Debtors, shall have the power to alter and interpret such term or provision to make it valid or enforceable to the maximum extent practicable, consistent with the original purpose of the term or provision held to be invalid, void or unenforceable, and such term or provision shall then be applicable as altered or interpreted.

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

# C. Successors and Assigns

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

### D. Payment of Statutory Fees

All fees then due and payable pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1930, as determined by the Court at the Confirmation Hearing, shall be paid on or before the Effective Date by the Debtors. All such fees that become due and payable thereafter by a Debtor shall be paid by Reorganized Syms. Reorganized Syms shall pay quarterly fees to the U.S. Trustee until the Chapter 11 Cases are closed or converted and/or the entry of final decrees. Reorganized Syms shall file post-confirmation quarterly reports or any preconfirmation monthly operating reports not filed as of the Confirmation Hearing in conformance with the U.S. Trustee Guidelines. The U.S. Trustee shall not be required to file a request for payment of its quarterly fees, which shall be paid by Reorganized Syms.

### E. Revocation, Withdrawal or Non-Consummation

The Debtors reserve the right to revoke or withdraw the Plan as to any or all of the Debtors prior to the Confirmation Date and to file subsequent plans. If the Plan Proponents revoke or withdraw the Plan as to any or all of the Debtors, or if Confirmation or Consummation of the Plan as to any or all of the Debtors does not occur, then, with respect to such Debtors, (a) the Plan shall be null and void in all respects, (b) any settlement or compromise embodied in the Plan (including the fixing or limiting to an amount certain any Claim or Class of Claims), assumption or rejection of executory contracts or leases effected by the Plan, and any document or agreement executed pursuant to the Plan, shall be deemed null and void, and (c) nothing contained in the Plan, and no acts taken in preparation for Consummation of the Plan, shall (i) constitute or be deemed to constitute a waiver or release of any Claims by or against, or any Interests in, such Debtors or any other Person, (ii) prejudice in any manner the rights of such Debtors or any other Person, or (iii) constitute an admission of any sort by such Debtors or any other Person.

### F. Service of Documents

Any notice, request or demand required or permitted to be made or provided to or upon a Debtor, the Creditors' Committee and/or the Equity Committee under the Plan shall be (a) in writing, (b) served by (i) certified mail, return receipt requested, (ii) hand delivery, (iii) overnight delivery service, (iv) first class mail, or (v) facsimile transmission, (c) deemed to have been duly given or made when actually delivered or, in the case of notice by facsimile transmission, when received and telephonically confirmed, and (d) addressed as follows:

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#### G. Effect on Previous Orders

Nothing contained in the Plan or any Confirmation Order shall be deemed to conflict with, or derogate from, the terms of any previous orders entered by the Bankruptcy Court, such that, to the extent that there are any inconsistencies between the terms of any such order, on the one hand, and the Plan and the Confirmation Order, on the other hand, the terms of the order shall govern.

## H. Tax Reporting And Compliance

The Debtors are hereby authorized to request an expedited determination under Bankruptcy Code section 505(b) of the tax liability of the Debtors for all taxable periods ending after the Petition Date through and including the Effective Date.

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#### J. Dissolution of Official Committees

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Title:

Dated: Wilmington, DE May 24, 2012

SYMS CORP. (for itself and on behalf of each Debtor)

By: /s/ Gary P. Binkoski

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Name: Gary P. Binkoski

Title: Chief Financial Officer

By: /s/ Sole

Title: Chairman-Statutory Equity Holders Committee

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