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APPLICANTS

NOTICE OF MOTION (RE: COURT-TO-COURT COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOL) (RETURNABLE AUGUST 27, 2015)

FTI Consulting Canada Inc., in its role as Court-appointed Monitor (the "Monitor") in the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, RSC 1985, c C-36 ("CCAA") proceedings of the Applicants (collectively, "Cash Store"), will make a motion to the Court on August 27, 2015 at 10 a.m., or as soon after that time as the motion can be heard, at 330 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.

PROPOSED METHOD OF HEARING: The motion is to be heard orally.

THE MOTION IS FOR an Order:

- (a) adopting a Court-to-Court Communications Protocol;
- (b) granting such further and other relief as counsel may advise and this Honourable Court may deem just.

THE GROUNDS FOR THE MOTION ARE:

Background

- 1. On April 14, 2014, Cash Store obtained an Initial Order granting it relief under the *CCAA* and appointing FTI Consulting Canada Inc. as Monitor.
- 2. Several class action proceedings have been initiated in relation to these proceedings, including:
 - (i) Yeoman v The Cash Store Financial et al. (the "Ontario Class Action");
 - (ii) Stewart v DirectCash Payments Inc. et al. and Stewart v. The Cash Store
 Financial Services Inc. et al. (the "British Columbia Class Actions");
 - (iii) Efthimiou v The Cash Store et al. and Tschritter et al. v. The Cash Store Financial Services Inc. et al. (the "Alberta Class Actions");
 - (iv) Ironbow v The Cash Store Financial Services Inc. et al. (the "Saskatchewan Class Action"); and
 - (v) Rehill v The Cash Store et al. and Meeking v The Cash Store Inc. et al. (the "Manitoba Class Actions").
- 3. Certain of the parties to these *CCAA* proceedings and the parties to the Ontario Class Action, the British Columbia Class Actions, the Alberta Class Actions, the Manitoba Class Actions and the Saskatchewan Class Action anticipate entering into a global settlement (the "Global Settlement") which will require approval by the Ontario Court of a plan of arrangement under the CCAA and by the Courts in Ontario, British

Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan pursuant to applicable provincial class action legislation.

- 4. Given the advanced status of the negotiations between the parties, at a case conference on July 24, 2015, Regional Senior Justice Morawetz requested that a communications protocol be prepared to help facilitate a joint process between the various provincial Courts.
- 5. In response to this request, the Monitor has prepared a Court-to-Court Communications Protocol (the "**Protocol**") to govern the approvals required in respect of the anticipated Global Settlement, and proposes that this Court-to-Court Communications Protocol be entered into in Ontario, British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba to harmonize proceedings and to ensure consistent results and increased efficiency in the approvals process.

Court-to-Court Communications Protocol

6. Part XXVI of the Commercial List Practice Direction permits the approval of the Guidelines Applicable to Court-to-Court Communications in Cross Border Cases prepared by the American Law Institution for matters on the Commercial List. The Commercial List has also endorsed the use of the Guidelines in court-to-court communications between Ontario and the other Canadian provinces and territories. The Guidelines are meant to be adapted and modified to fit the circumstances of individual cases.

- 7. The Monitor has incorporated the *Guidelines* into the proposed Protocol with certain modifications to tailor the *Guidelines* to the circumstances in these CCAA Proceedings.

 The Monitor has also included a guideline allowing the Courts to adopt the provisions of *The Canadian Judicial Protocol for the Management of Multijurisdictional Class Actions*, as deemed necessary or appropriate by the Courts.
- 8. The purpose and goal of the Communications Protocol is to:
 - (i) harmonize and coordinate the settlement approval process before the various provincial courts;
 - (ii) promote the orderly and efficient administration of the approval process by reducing the duplication of efforts in each jurisdiction;
 - (iii) facilitate fair and transparent administration of the approval process for the benefit of all interested parties; and
 - (iv) implement a set of guidelines to address administrative issues arising out of the multi-provincial nature of these proceedings.
- 9. Given the prospect of achieving these efficiencies, an order approving the Communications Protocol is appropriate in the current circumstances.
- 10. The Monitor hereby requests that this Court adopt the Communications Protocol and that this Court request that the Communications Protocol also be adopted by the British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba Courts.

11. Such further and other grounds as counsel may advise and this Honourable Court may permit.

THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE will be used at the hearing of the motion:

- 12. The Motion Record of the Monitor; and
- 13. Such further and other documentary evidence as counsel may advise and this Honourable Court may admit.

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AFFIDAVIT OF STEPHEN FULTON SWORN AUGUST 20, 2015 (RE: COURT-TO-COURT COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOL)

I, Stephen Fulton, of the Town of Ajax, in the Province of Ontario, MAKE OATH AND SAY:

- 1. I am a lawyer with the law firm of McCarthy Tétrault LLP, counsel to FTI Consulting Canada Inc., acting in its capacity as Court-appointed Monitor (the "Monitor") in the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, RSC 1985, c C-36 ("CCAA") proceedings of the Applicants (collectively, "Cash Store"). I have personal knowledge of the facts and matters herein except where such facts and matters are based on information and belief in which case I believe them to be true.
- 2. I swear this affidavit in support of a motion by the Monitor for an order substantially in the form of the draft order attached as tab "3" of the Monitor's Motion

Record to approve a court-to-court communications protocol (the "Communications Protocol").

COURT-TO-COURT COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOL

- 3. According to the Monitor's Tenth Report to the Court, dated September 24, 2014, on August 26, 2014 Regional Senior Justice Morawetz released his decision appointing Timothy Yeoman as representative of the class members in the *Timothy Yeoman v The Cash Store Financial Services Inc. et al.* proposed class action (the "Ontario Class Action").
- 4. I am advised by the Monitor that on May 20, 2015, the Court determined that it would hear Representative Counsel's motion in the CCAA Proceedings asserting a constructive trust or other form of priority in respect of the claims asserted in the Class Action.
- 5. I am advised by the Monitor that on June 10th and July 15th, 2015 representatives of the Ad Hoc Committee of Noteholders, the Cash Store, the Monitor, Representative Counsel and counsel to the class actions in Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba and Saskatchewan participated in mediations with the Honourable Dennis O'Connor and the Honourable Douglas Cunningham.
- 6. I am further advised by the Monitor that a settlement agreement has been reached regarding the Ontario Class Action and that the Monitor anticipates that the parties to certain class proceedings in Ontario, British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba will enter into a global settlement agreement requiring approval by the Courts in each jurisdiction.

- 7. During a case conference on July 24, 2015, Regional Senior Justice Morawetz, requested that the parties prepare a communications protocol to help facilitate the creation of an approval infrastructure between the various provincial Courts.
- 8. In response to this request, the Monitor has prepared a Court-to-Court Communications Protocol (the "Communications Protocol") to govern the approvals required in respect of the anticipated global settlement agreement.
- 9. I am advised by the Monitor that the purpose of the Communications Protocol is to:
 - (a) harmonize and coordinate the settlement approval process before the various provincial courts;
 - (b) promote the orderly and efficient administration of the approval process by reducing the duplication of efforts in each jurisdiction;
 - (c) facilitate fair and transparent administration of the approval process for the benefit of all interested parties; and
 - (d) implement a set of guidelines to address administrative issues arising out of the multi-provincial nature of these proceedings.

THE COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOL IS APPROPRIATE IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES

10. In light of the foregoing, and given the prospect of achieving greater efficiency in the anticipated settlement approval process, I believe that it would be appropriate for the Court to approve the Communications Protocol.

SWORN BEFORE ME at the City of Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, this 20 th day of August, 2015.	STalta
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SENIOR JUSTICE MORAWETZ) OF	, 2015

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

AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT OF 1511419 ONTARIO INC., FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE CASH STORE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC., 1545688 ALBERTA INC., FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE CASH STORE INC., 986301 ALBERTA INC., FORMERLY KNOWN AS TCS CASH STORE INC., 1152919 ALBERTA INC., FORMERLY KNOWN AS INSTALOANS INC., 7252331 CANADA INC., 5515433 MANITOBA INC., 1693926 ALBERTA LTD DOING BUSINESS AS "THE TITLE STORE"

APPLICANTS

Court File No. 7908/12CP

ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE

BETWEEN:

TIMOTHY YEOMAN

Plaintiff

- and -

THE CASH STORE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC., THE CASH STORE INC., and INSTALOANS INC.

Defendants

ORDER COURT-TO-COURT COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOL

THIS MOTION, made by FTI Consulting Canada Inc., in its role as Court-appointed Monitor (the "**Monitor**"), pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "**CCAA**") proceedings of the Applicants, for an order approving a court-to-court communications protocol (the "**Communications Protocol**") appended as Schedule "A", was heard this day at 330 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.

ON READING the Notice of Motion of the Monitor and the affidavit of Stephen Fulton sworn August 20, 2015, and on hearing the submissions of counsel for the Monitor, counsel for the Chief Restructuring Officer, and other such counsel present and on being advised that all parties on the service list maintained in these CCAA proceedings and the parties to the *Timothy Yeoman v. The Cash Store Financial Services* et al. were served with the motion record of the Monitor:

COURT-TO-COURT COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOL

- 1. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Communications Protocol is hereby adopted.
- 2. THIS COURT HEREBY REQUESTS that the Communications Protocol also be adopted by:
 - a. the Supreme Court of British Columbia, with regard to the class proceedings in Stewart v DirectCash Payments Inc. et al. (Vancouver no. 154924) and Stewart v. The Cash Store Financial Services Inc. et al. (Vancouver no. 126361);

- b. the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench, with regard to the class proceedings in *Efthimiou v. The Cash Store* et al. (Calgary No. 1201-118160) and *Tschritter et al. v. The Cash Store Financial Services Inc.* et al. (Calgary No. 0301-16243);
- c. the Saskatchewan Court of Queen's Bench, with regard to the class proceedings in *Ironbow v. The Cash Store Financial Services Inc.* et al. (Saskatoon no. 1453 of 2012); and
- d. the Manitoba Court of Queen's Bench, with regard to the class proceedings in *Rehill* v. *The Cash Store Financial Services Inc.* et al. (Winnipeg no. CI 12-01-80578) and *Meeking v. The Cash Store Inc.* et al. (Winnipeg no. CI 10-01-66061).

SCHEDULE A

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

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THE CASH STORE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC., THE CASH STORE INC., and INSTALOANS INC.

Defendants

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

BETWEEN:

STEWART

Plaintiff

- and -

DIRECTCASH PAYMENTS INC. et al.

Defendants

No. 126361 Vancouver Registry

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

BETWEEN:

STEWART

Plaintiff

- and -

THE CASH STORE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. et al.

Defendants

No. 1201-118160 Calgary Registry

IN THE COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF ALBERTA

BETWEEN:

EFTHIMIOU

Plaintiff

- and -

THE CASH STORE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC., et al,

Defendants

IN THE COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF ALBERTA

BETWEEN:

TSCHRITTER et al.

Plaintiffs

- and -

THE CASH STORE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. et al.

Defendants

No. 1453 of 2012 Saskatoon Registry

IN THE COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF SASKATCHEWAN

BETWEEN:

IRONBOW

- and -

THE CASH STORE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. et al.

No. CI12-01-80578 Winnipeg Registry

IN THE COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF MANITOBA

BETWEEN:

REHILL

Plaintiff

- and -

THE CASH STORE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. et al.

Defendants

IN THE COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF MANITOBA

BETWEEN:

MEEKING

Plaintiff

- and -

THE CASH STORE INC. et al.

Defendants

COURT-TO-COURT COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOL

BACKGROUND:

- 1. In the Matter of 1511419 Ontario Inc., formerly known as The Cash Store Financial Services Inc. (the "CCAA Proceeding") is a proceeding under the Companies Creditors' Arrangement Act. R.S.C. 1985, c. C-34 (the "CCAA") that is being supervised by the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (the "Ontario Court").
- 2. *Yeoman v. The Cash Store Financial* et al. (the "**Ontario Class Action**") is a class proceeding that is being supervised by the Ontario Court.
- 3. Stewart v. DirectCash Payments Inc. et al. and Stewart v. The Cash Store Financial Services Inc. et al. (the "British Columbia Class Actions") are class proceedings that are being supervised by the Supreme Court of British Columbia (the "British Columbia Court").
- 4. Efthimiou v. The Cash Store et al. and Tschritter et al. v The Cash Store Financial Services Inc. et al. (the "Alberta Class Actions") are class proceedings that are being supervised by the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench (the "Alberta Court").
- 5. Ironbow v. The Cash Store Financial Services Inc. et al. (the "Saskatchewan Class Action") is a class proceeding that is being supervised by the Saskatchewan Court of Queen's Bench (the "Saskatchewan Court").
- 6. Rehill v. The Cash Store Financial Services Inc. et al. and Meeking v The Cash Store Inc. et al. (the "Manitoba Class Actions") are class proceedings that are being supervised by the Manitoba Court of Queen's Bench (the "Manitoba Court").
- 7. Certain of the parties to the CCAA Proceeding, and the parties to the Ontario Class Action, the British Columbia Class Actions, the Alberta Class Actions, the Saskatchewan

Class Action and the Manitoba Class Actions anticipate entering into a global settlement (the "Global Settlement") that will require (i) approval by the Ontario Court of a plan of arrangement under the CCAA (the "CCAA Plan"); (ii) approval of the Global Settlement by the Ontario Court pursuant to the Class Proceedings Act, 1992, S.O. 1992, c. 6; (iii) approval of the Global Settlement by the British Columbia Court pursuant to the Class Proceedings Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 50; (iv) approval of the Global Settlement by the Alberta Court pursuant to the Class Proceedings Act, S.A. 2003, C-16.5; (v) approval of the Global Settlement by the Saskatchewan Court pursuant to The Class Actions Act, SS 2001, c C-12.01; and (vi) approval of the Global Settlement by the Manitoba Court pursuant to the Class Proceedings Act, C.C.S.M., c. C130;

- 8. The parties to the CCAA Plan and the anticipated Global Settlement desire that the approvals be sought at a hearing conducted jointly by the Ontario Court, the British Columbia Court, the Alberta Court, the Saskatchewan Court and the Manitoba Court, in order to achieve efficiencies and avoid undue delay.
- 9. Accordingly, adoption of this Court-to-Court Communications Protocol is being sought in each of the Ontario Court, the British Columbia Court, the Alberta Court, the Saskatchewan Court and the Manitoba Court (each, a "Court") to govern the approvals required in respect of the anticipated Global Settlement. The approval proceedings will proceed in accordance with the following Guidelines.

Guideline 1

Except in circumstances of urgency, prior to a communication with another Court, each Court should be satisfied that such a communication is consistent with all applicable rules of procedure in its jurisdiction.

Guideline 2

A Court may communicate with another Court in connection with matters relating to the CCAA Proceeding, the Ontario Class Action, the British Columbia Class Actions, the Alberta Class Actions, the Saskatchewan Class Action and the Manitoba Class Actions, for the purposes of coordinating and harmonizing proceedings before it with those in the other jurisdictions.

Guideline 3

A Court may communicate with an authorized representative of another Court in connection with the coordination and harmonization of the proceedings before it with the proceedings in the other Courts.

Guideline 4

A Court may permit a duly authorized representative to communicate with another Court, subject to the approval of the other Court, or through an authorized representative of the other Court, on such terms as the other Court considers appropriate.

A Court may receive communications from another Court or from an authorized representative of the other Court and should respond directly if the communication is from another Court (subject to Guideline 7 in the case of multi-way communications) and may respond directly or through an authorized representative of the Court, subject to local rules concerning *ex parte* communications.

Guideline 6

Communications from a Court to another Court or Courts may take place by or through the Court:

- (a) Sending or transmitting copies of formal orders, judgments, opinions, reasons for decision, endorsements, transcripts of proceedings, or other documents directly to the other Court and providing advance notice to counsel for affected parties in such manner as the Court considers appropriate;
- (b) Directing counsel to transmit or deliver copies of documents, pleadings, affidavits, factums, briefs, or other documents that are filed or to be filed with the Court to the other Court in such fashion as may be appropriate and providing advance notice to counsel for affected parties in such manner as the Court considers appropriate;
- (c) Participating in multi-way communications with the other Court by telephone or video conference call or other electronic means, in which case Guideline 7 applies.

Guideline 7

In the event of communications between the Courts in accordance with Guidelines 2 and 5 by means of telephone or video conference call or other electronic means, unless otherwise directed by any of the Courts:

- (a) Counsel for all affected parties shall be entitled to participate in person during the communication and advance notice of the communication shall be given to all parties in accordance with the rules of procedure applicable in each Court;
- (b) The communication between the Courts shall be recorded and may be transcribed. A written transcript may be prepared from a recording of the communication which, with the approval of all Courts, shall be treated as an official transcript of the communication;
- (c) Copies of any recording of the communication, of any transcript of the communication prepared pursuant to any direction of any Court, and of any official transcript prepared from a recording will be filed as part of the record in the proceedings and made available to counsel for all parties in all Courts subject

- to such directions as to confidentiality as the participating Courts may consider appropriate; and
- (d) The time and place for communications between the Courts should be to the satisfaction of all Courts. Personnel other than judges in each Court may communicate fully with each other to establish appropriate arrangements for the communication without the necessity for participation by counsel unless otherwise ordered by any of the participating Courts.

In the event of communications between the Court and an authorized representative of another Court in accordance with Guidelines 3 and 5 by means of telephone or video conference call or other electronic means, unless otherwise directed by the Court:

- (a) Counsel for all affected parties shall be entitled to participate in person during the communication and advance notice of the communication shall be given to all parties in accordance with the rules of procedure applicable in each participating Court;
- (b) The communication shall be recorded and may be transcribed. A written transcript may be prepared from a recording of the communication which, with the approval of the Court, shall be treated as an official transcript of the communication;
- (c) Copies of any recording of the communication, of any transcript of the communication prepared pursuant to any direction of the Court, and of any official transcript prepared from a recording should be filed as part of the record in the proceedings and made available to the other Court and to counsel for all parties in all participating Courts subject to such directions as to confidentiality as the Court may consider appropriate; and
- (d) The time and place for the communication should be to the satisfaction of the Court. Personnel of the Court other than judges may communicate fully with the authorized representative of the other Courts to establish appropriate arrangements for the communication without the necessity for participation by counsel unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

Guideline 9

The Courts may conduct a joint hearing. In connection with any such joint hearing, the following will apply, unless otherwise ordered:

- (a) Each Court should be able to simultaneously hear the proceedings in all other Courts.
- (b) Evidentiary or written materials filed or to be filed in one Court will, in accordance with the directions of that Court, be transmitted to the other Courts or

made available electronically in a publicly accessible system in advance of the hearing. Transmittal of such material to the other Courts or its public availability in an electronic system will not subject the party filing the material in one Court to the jurisdiction of any of the other Courts.

- (c) Submissions or applications by the representative of any party will be made only to the Court in which the representative making the submissions is appearing unless the representative is specifically given permission by another Court to make submissions to it.
- (d) Subject to Guideline 7(b), each Court shall be entitled to communicate with the other Courts in advance of a joint hearing, with or without counsel being present, to establish guidelines for the orderly making of submissions and rendering of decisions by the Courts, and to coordinate and resolve any procedural, administrative, or preliminary matters relating to the joint hearing.
- (e) Subject to Guideline 7(b), each Court, subsequent to the joint hearing, shall be entitled to communicate with the other Courts, with or without counsel present, for the purpose of determining whether coordinated orders could be made by all Courts and to coordinate and resolve any procedural or nonsubstantive matters relating to the joint hearing.

Guideline 10

Each Court will, except upon proper objection on valid grounds and then only to the extent of such objection, recognize and accept as authentic the provisions of statutes, statutory or administrative regulations, and rules of court of general application applicable to the proceedings in the other jurisdictions without the need for further proof or exemplification thereof.

Guideline 11

Each Court will, except upon proper objection on valid grounds and then only to the extent of such objection, accept that orders made in the proceedings in the other jurisdictions were duly and properly made or entered on or about their respective dates and accept that such orders require no further proof or exemplification for purposes of the proceedings before it, subject to all such proper reservations as in the opinion of the Court are appropriate regarding proceedings by way of appeal or review that are actually pending in respect of any such orders.

Guideline 12

Each Court may coordinate proceedings before it with proceedings in the other jurisdictions by establishing a service list that may include parties that are entitled to receive notice of proceedings before the Court in the other jurisdiction ("Non-Resident Parties"). All notices, applications, motions, and other materials served for purposes of the proceedings before each Court may be ordered to also be provided to or served on the Non-Resident Parties by making such materials available electronically in a publicly accessible system or by facsimile transmission, certified or registered mail or delivery by courier, or in such other manner as may be directed by each Court in accordance with the procedures applicable in each Court.

Each Court may issue an order or issue directions permitting a representative of parties to the proceedings in the other jurisdictions to appear and be heard by the Court without thereby becoming subject to the jurisdiction of the Court.

Guideline 14

A Court may communicate with another Court or with an authorized representative of such Court in the manner prescribed by these Guidelines for purposes of coordinating and harmonizing proceedings before it with proceedings in the other jurisdiction regardless of the form of the proceedings before it or before the other Court wherever there is commonality among the issues and/or the parties in the proceedings. The Court should, absent compelling reasons to the contrary, so communicate with the other Court where the interests of justice so require.

Guideline 15

Directions issued by the Courts under these Guidelines are subject to such amendments, modifications, and extensions as may be considered appropriate by the Courts for the purposes described above and to reflect the changes and developments from time to time in the proceedings before them. Any directions may be supplemented, modified, and restated from time to time and such modifications, amendments, and restatements should become effective upon being accepted by all Courts. If any Court intends to supplement, change, or abrogate directions issued under these Guidelines in the absence of approval by all Courts, the Court should give the other Courts involved reasonable notice of its intention to do so.

Guideline 16

Arrangements contemplated under these Guidelines do not constitute a compromise or waiver by the Court of any powers, responsibilities, or authority and do not constitute a substantive determination of any matter in controversy before the Court or before the other Courts nor a waiver by any of the parties of any of their substantive rights and claims or a diminution of the effect of any of the orders made by the Court or the other Courts.

Guideline 17

The Courts may adopt the provisions of *The Canadian Judicial Protocol for the Management of Multijurisdictional Class Actions*, as deemed necessary and/or appropriate by the Courts or any Court, for the purposes of the approval of the CCAA Plan and the Global Settlement, including for the approval of any class counsel's fees and disbursements.

August 20, 2015

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ONTARIO SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE (COMMERCIAL LIST)

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	<u>- and -</u>	<u>Plaintiff</u>
	THE CASH STORE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC., et al,	

IN THE COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF ALBERTA

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BETWEEN:

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Plaintiff

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THE CASH STORE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC. et al.

Defendants

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Guideline 1

Except in circumstances of urgency, prior to a communication with another Court, the Court should be satisfied that such a communication is consistent with all applicable Rules of Procedure in its country. Where a Court intends to apply these Guidelines (in whole or in part and with or without modifications), the Guidelines to be employed should, wherever possible, be formally adopted before they are applied. Coordination of Guidelines between courts is desirable and officials of both courts may communicate in accordance with Guideline 8(d) with regard to the application and implementation of the Guidelines of procedure in its jurisdiction.

Guideline 2

A Court may communicate with another Court in connection with matters relating to proceedings before it the CCAA Proceeding, the Ontario Class Action, the British Columbia Class Actions, the Alberta Class Actions, the Saskatchewan Class Action and the Manitoba Class Actions, for the purposes of coordinating and harmonizing proceedings before it with those in the other jurisdictionjurisdictions.

Guideline 3

A Court may communicate with an Insolvency Administrator in another jurisdiction or an authorized Representative representative of the another Court in that jurisdiction in connection with the coordination and harmonization of the proceedings before it with the proceedings in the other jurisdiction. Courts.

A Court may permit a duly authorized <u>Insolvency Administratorrepresentative</u> to communicate with <u>a foreignanother</u> Court <u>directly</u>, subject to the approval of the <u>foreignother</u> Court, or through an <u>Insolvency Administrator in the other jurisdiction or through an authorized Representative representative</u> of the <u>foreignother</u> Court, on such terms as the <u>other</u> Court considers appropriate.

Guideline 5

A Court may receive communications from a foreignanother Court or from an authorized Representative representative of the foreignother Court or from a foreign Insolvency Administrator and should respond directly if the communication is from a foreignanother Court (subject to Guideline 7 in the case of twomulti-way communications) and may respond directly or through an authorized Representative of the Court or through a duly authorized Insolvency Administrator if the communication is from a foreign Insolvency Administrator representative of the Court, subject to local rules concerning *ex parte* communications.

Guideline 6

Communications from a Court to another Court or Courts may take place by or through the Court:

- (a) Sending or transmitting copies of formal orders, judgments, opinions, reasons for decision, endorsements, transcripts of proceedings, or other documents directly to the other Court and providing advance notice to counsel for affected parties in such manner as the Court considers appropriate;
- (b) Directing counsel-or a foreign or domestic Insolvency Administrator to transmit or deliver copies of documents, pleadings, affidavits, factums, briefs, or other documents that are filed or to be filed with the Court to the other Court in such fashion as may be appropriate and providing advance notice to counsel for affected parties in such manner as the Court considers appropriate;
- Participating in two multi-way communications with the other Court by telephone or video conference call or other electronic means, in which case Guideline 7 should applyapplies.

Guideline 7

In the event of communications between the Courts in accordance with Guidelines 2 and 5 by means of telephone or video conference call or other electronic means, unless otherwise directed by eitherany of the two Courts:

(a) Counsel for all affected parties shouldshall be entitled to participate in person during the communication and advance notice of the communication shouldshall be given to all parties in accordance with the Rulesrules of Procedure applicable in each Court;

- (b) The communication between the Courts shouldshall be recorded and may be transcribed. A written transcript may be prepared from a recording of the communication which, with the approval of bothall Courts, shouldshall be treated as an official transcript of the communication;
- (c) Copies of any recording of the communication, of any transcript of the communication prepared pursuant to any <u>Direction direction</u> of <u>either any</u> Court, and of any official transcript prepared from a recording <u>should will</u> be filed as part of the record in the proceedings and made available to counsel for all parties in <u>bothall</u> Courts subject to such <u>Directions directions</u> as to confidentiality as the <u>participating</u> Courts may consider appropriate; and
- (d) The time and place for communications between the Courts should be to the satisfaction of bothall Courts. Personnel other than Judgesjudges in each Court may communicate fully with each other to establish appropriate arrangements for the communication without the necessity for participation by counsel unless otherwise ordered by eitherany of the participating Courts.

In the event of communications between the Court and an authorized Representative representative of the foreign another Court or a foreign Insolvency Administrator in accordance with Guidelines 3 and 5 by means of telephone or video conference call or other electronic means, unless otherwise directed by the Court:

- (a) Counsel for all affected parties shouldshall be entitled to participate in person during the communication and advance notice of the communication shouldshall be given to all parties in accordance with the Rulesrules of Procedure applicable in each participating Court;
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- (d) The time and place for the communication should be to the satisfaction of the Court. Personnel of the Court other than <u>Judgesjudges</u> may communicate fully with the authorized <u>Representative of the foreign Court or the foreign Insolvency</u>
 <u>Administratorrepresentative of the other Courts</u> to establish appropriate

arrangements for the communication without the necessity for participation by counsel unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

Guideline 9

A Court The Courts may conduct a joint hearing with another Court. In connection with any such joint hearing, the following should will apply, unless otherwise ordered or unless otherwise provided in any previously approved Protocol applicable to such joint hearing:

- (a) Each Court should be able to simultaneously hear the proceedings in the all other Court Courts.
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- (e) Subject to Guideline 7(b), the each Court, subsequent to the joint hearing, should shall be entitled to communicate with the other Court Courts, with or without counsel present, for the purpose of determining whether coordinated orders could be made by bothall Courts and to coordinate and resolve any procedural or nonsubstantive matters relating to the joint hearing.

Guideline 10

The Each Court should will, except upon proper objection on valid grounds and then only to the extent of such objection, recognize and accept as authentic the provisions of statutes, statutory or administrative regulations, and rules of court of general application applicable to the proceedings in the other jurisdiction jurisdictions without the need for further proof or exemplification thereof.

Guideline 11

The Each Court should will, except upon proper objection on valid grounds and then only to the extent of such objection, accept that Ordersorders made in the proceedings in the other jurisdictions were duly and properly made or entered on or about their respective dates and accept that such Ordersorders require no further proof or exemplification for purposes of the proceedings before it, subject to all such proper reservations as in the opinion of the Court are appropriate regarding proceedings by way of appeal or review that are actually pending in respect of any such Ordersorders.

Guideline 12

The Each Court may coordinate proceedings before it with proceedings in another jurisdictions by establishing a Service Listservice list that may include parties that are entitled to receive notice of proceedings before the Court in the other jurisdiction (""Non-Resident Parties""). All notices, applications, motions, and other materials served for purposes of the proceedings before the Court may be ordered to also be provided to or served on the Non-Resident Parties by making such materials available electronically in a publicly accessible system or by facsimile transmission, certified or registered mail or delivery by courier, or in such other manner as may be directed by the each Court in accordance with the procedures applicable in the each Court.

Guideline 13

The Each Court may issue an Order or issue Directions directions permitting the foreign Insolvency Administrator or a representative of creditors inparties to the proceedings in the other jurisdiction or an authorized Representative of the Court in the other jurisdiction jurisdictions to appear and be heard by the Court without thereby becoming subject to the jurisdiction of the Court.

Guideline 14

The Court may direct that any stay of proceedings affecting the parties before it shall, subject to further order of the Court, not apply to applications or motions brought by such parties before the other Court or that relief be granted to permit such parties to bring such applications or motions before the other Court on such terms and conditions as it considers appropriate. Court-to-Court communications in accordance with Guidelines 6 and 7 hereof may take place if an application or motion brought before the Court affects or might affect issues or proceedings in the Court in the other jurisdiction.

Guideline 15

A Court may communicate with a Court in another jurisdiction Court or with an authorized Representative representative of such Court in the manner prescribed by these Guidelines for purposes of coordinating and harmonizing proceedings before it with proceedings in the other jurisdiction regardless of the form of the proceedings before it or before the other Court wherever there is commonality among the issues and/or the parties in the proceedings. The Court should, absent compelling reasons to the contrary, so communicate with the Court in the other jurisdiction Court where the interests of justice so require.

Guideline 15 Guideline 16

Directions issued by the CourtCourts under these Guidelines are subject to such amendments, modifications, and extensions as may be considered appropriate by the CourtCourts for the purposes described above and to reflect the changes and developments from time to time in the proceedings before it and before the other Courtthem. Any Directions directions may be supplemented, modified, and restated from time to time and such modifications, amendments, and restatements should become effective upon being accepted by bothall Courts. If eitherany Court intends to supplement, change, or abrogate Directions directions issued under these Guidelines in the absence of joint approval by bothall Courts, the Court should give the other Courts involved reasonable notice of its intention to do so.

Guideline 17<u>16</u>

Arrangements contemplated under these Guidelines do not constitute a compromise or waiver by the Court of any powers, responsibilities, or authority and do not constitute a substantive determination of any matter in controversy before the Court or before the other Court or a waiver by any of the parties of any of their substantive rights and claims or a diminution of the effect of any of the Ordersorders made by the Court or the other Court Courts.

Guideline 17

The Courts may adopt the provisions of *The Canadian Judicial Protocol for the Management of Multijurisdictional Class Actions*, as deemed necessary and/or appropriate by the Courts or any Court, for the purposes of the approval of the CCAA Plan and the Global Settlement, including for the approval of any class counsel's fees and disbursements.

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