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(Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. B-3)

IN THE MATTER OF THE NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE A PROPOSAL OF:

**175413 CANADA INC.** (operating under the trade name M0851);

Debtor/Petitioner

-and-

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KPMG INC .:

Personne désignée par le greffier

Trustee

MOTION TO EXTEND THE DELAY TO MAKE A PROPOSAL

(Section 50.4(9) of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. B-3)

TO ONE OF THE HONOURABLE JUSTICES OF THE SUPERIOR COURT, SITTING IN THE COMMERCIAL DIVISION IN AND FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, OR TO ONE OF ITS REGISTRARS, PETITIONER RESPECTFULLY SUBMITS:

## INTRODUCTION

1. On September 27, 2017, 175413 Canada Inc. (operating under the trade name M0851) (the "**Debtor**"), filed a Notice of Intention to Make a Proposal (the "**NOI**") under the relevant provisions of the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, Canada (the "*BIA*") and named KPMG Inc. (the "**Trustee**") as trustee thereto, the whole as appears of record herein.

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- 2. On October 6, 2017, the Debtor sought, and this Honourable Court issued, an order (the "**Charge Order**"):
  - (i) authorizing and ratifying a commitment letter whereby Continental Capital Investments Inc. ("Continental") agreed to provide interim financing to the Debtor pursuant to the terms and conditions set out therein (the "Interim Financing");
  - (ii) creating a senior raking interim financing charge in favour of Continental, subject to the trustee's filing of a certificate with the Court (the "Trustee's Certificate"); and
  - (iii) creating a senior ranking administrative charge in favour of the Trustee and the Debtor's legal counsel, subject to the filing of the Trustee's Certificate.

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- 3. On October 12, 2017, the Trustee's Certificate was filed into the Court record thereby rendering the above described charges effective.
- 4. The Debtor operates a vertically integrated Montreal based business which designs and manufactures high-quality and functional leather and fabric goods including outerwear, bags and accessories and sells the products at a wholesale level, to franchised stores internationally, at its own retail stores in Canada and through its e-commerce site (the "Business").
- 5. The design, manufacturing, wholesale, warehousing and administrative divisions of the Business operate from the Debtor's leased head office premises in Montréal at 5555 avenue Casgrain, Suite 201.
- 6. The Debtor operates seven (7) retail outlets in Canada with four (4) in the province of Québec and three (3) in Ontario. Each such store is the object of a lease between the Debtor and the respective landlord.
- 7. In order to operate the Business, the Debtor has a workforce of 94 employees who work in various divisions of the Business.
- 8. The distressed North American retail market and the fierce competition in the niche market of exclusive leather and lifestyle goods caused the Debtor to experience a great degree of difficulty.
- 9. As a result of the above, the Business was negatively impacted and its performance decreased to the point of insolvency.

- 10. Consequently, on September 12, 2017, the Debtor's then operating lender, The Toronto-Dominion Bank ("TD Bank") issued a notice pursuant to Section 244 *BIA* of its intention to enforce its security on all or substantially all of the Debtor's property. Given its defaults under the TD Bank credit facilities and its insolvency, it was determined that it was in the best interests of the Debtor to file the NOI and enter into a restructuring process.
- 11. Since this Honourable Court's issuance of the Charge Order, the Debtor has implemented and continues to pursue its restructuring diligently and in good faith as hereafter set forth.
- 12. The current expiry under the NOI of the Debtor's delay to make a proposal is October 27, 2017 (the "NOI Delay"). This Motion seeks the extension of the Debtor's delay to make a proposal until December 11, 2017.

# RESTRUCTURING EFFORTS AND EXTENSION SOUGHT

- 13. Since this Honourable Court's issuance of the Charge Order, the Interim Financing has been utilized to fund the Debtor's on-going operations and to obtain certain releases from its then operating lender, TD Bank.
- 14. Additionally, the Debtor has been working to maximize its sales from the current fall selling season, which is the most crucial selling season for leather and outerwear products. In particular, the coming weeks leading into the holiday season will be the most significant sales period for the Debtor and will be critical to the Debtor's restructuring efforts.
- 15. The Debtor has sent notices of disclaimer of leases to landlords in respect of two of its retail locations. Such notices have resulted in negotiations between the Debtor and such landlords for more favourable leasing terms. Likewise, the Debtor has begun negotiations with other landlords in order to ameliorate the terms of such leases for its retail locations.
- 16. As part of its restructuring, the Debtor has mandated the Trustee to assist with initiating and pursuing a sale and solicitation process in order to market and solicit offers for the Business and assets relating thereto (the "Solicitation Process").
- 17. The Solicitation Process is in its early stages and the most crucial steps have yet to be completed. An extension of the NOI Delay would allow the Debtor and the Trustee to properly conduct the Solicitation Process in a fulsome manner.
- 18. The restructuring efforts of the Debtor are currently focused on: maintaining the Business; maximizing its sales from the current selling season; securing more favorable leasing terms for its retail outlets; and pursuing the Solicitation Process.

Accordingly, once such efforts have been completed, the Debtor will be in a better position to determine what kind of proposal, if any, could be made to its creditors.

- 19. No prejudice would be caused to the Debtor's creditors generally by the extension of the NOI Delay sought herein. On the contrary, not extending the NOI Delay would result in:
  - (i) the Debtor's immediate bankruptcy;
  - (ii) a complete loss of the going concern value of the Debtor's assets and a loss of the goodwill of the Business;
  - (iii) a disruption to the momentum of the sales efforts from the current critical selling season;
  - (iv) a diminished ability to market and solicit offers for the Business via the Solicitation Process; and
  - (v) the immediate loss of over 90 jobs.
- 20. The Debtor has acted, is acting and will continue to act in good faith and with due diligence.
- 21. The Trustee's report on the state of the Debtor's business and financial affairs will be produced in support of the present Motion.
- 22. The present motion has been served/notified on all parties who have requested service/notification thereof.
- 23. Given all of the foregoing, the Debtor is entitled to seek the extension of the delay to make a proposal until December 11, 2017.
- 24. The present Motion is well founded in fact and in law.

# WHEREFORE, PETITIONER PRAYS FOR JUDGMENT OF THIS HONOURABLE COURT:

- (A) SHORTENING the delays to notify/serve and present the present Motion;
- (B) GRANTING the present Motion;
- (C) EXTENDING the delay for the Debtor/Petitioner, 175413 Canada Inc., to make a proposal until December 11, 2017;
- (D) ISSUING any other order(s) the Court deems appropriate;

**THE WHOLE** without costs, save in the event of contestation.

MONTREAL, October 24, 2017

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### **AFFIDAVIT**

I, the undersigned Daniel Becker, domiciled for the purposes hereof at 5555 avenue Casgrain, Suite 201, Montréal, Québec H2T 1Y1, solemnly affirm the following:

- 1. I am the VP of Finance of the Debtor, 175413 Canada Inc.;
- 2. I have knowledge of all the facts alleged in the annexed "Motion to Extend the Delay to Make a Proposal" and all the facts alleged therein are true.

	And I have signed, in Montréal, Québec
	(SGD.) Daniel Becker
	Daniel Becker
Solemnly affirmed before me, in Montréal, Québec this 24 <sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.	
(SGD.) Leslie Schiller # 129 687  Commissioner for Oaths for Québec	
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C A N A D A PROVINCE OF QUEBEC DISTRICT OF MONTREAL NO.: 500-11-053292-179 ESTATE NO.: 41- 2297864

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## **NOTICE OF PRESENTATION**

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**TAKE NOTICE** that the "Motion to Extend the Delay to Make a Proposal" will be presented for adjudication to a Judge of the Superior Court, of the Province of Québec, of the District of Montréal, or to the Registrar thereof, on October 26, 2017 at 8:45 a.m. in room 16.10 of the Montréal Court House, 1 Notre Dame East, Montréal, Québec or so soon thereafter as counsel may be heard.

Montréal, October 24, 2017 (SGD.) Kugler Kandestin LLP

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