

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

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In re:	)	Chapter 11
CONEXANT SYSTEMS, INC.,	)	Case No. 13-10367 ( )
Debtor.	)	
Tax I.D. No. 25-1799439	)	

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In re:	)	Chapter 11
CONEXANT CF, LLC.,	)	Case No. 13-10368 ( )
Debtor.	)	
Tax I.D. No. 80-0516434	)	

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BROOKTREE BROADBAND HOLDING, INC.,	)	Case No. 13-10369 ( )
Debtor.	)	
Tax I.D. No. 51-0525436	)	

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CONEXANT, INC.,	)	Case No. 13-10370 ( )
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WORLDWIDE, INC.,	)	
	)	Case No. 13-10371 ( )
Debtor.	)	
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Tax I.D. No. 23-2930601	)	
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**DEBTORS' MOTION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER  
DIRECTING JOINT ADMINISTRATION OF RELATED CHAPTER 11 CASES**

Conexant Systems, Inc. and its debtor affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "*Debtors*"),<sup>1</sup> respectfully represent:

**Jurisdiction**

1. The Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This matter is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).
2. Venue in this Court is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
3. The bases for the relief requested herein are section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Rule 1015(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "*Bankruptcy Rules*") and Rule 1015-1 of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "*Local Rules*").

**Relief Requested**

4. By this motion, the Debtors request entry of an order, substantially in the form

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<sup>1</sup> A detailed description of the Debtors and their businesses, and the facts and circumstances supporting this motion and the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, are set forth in greater detail in the Declaration of Sailesh Chittipeddi, President and CEO of Conexant Systems, Inc., in Support of First Day Pleadings (the "*First Day Declaration*"), filed contemporaneously with the Debtors' voluntary petitions for relief filed under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "*Bankruptcy Code*"), on February 28, 2013 (the "*Petition Date*").

attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, directing joint administration of each Debtor's respective chapter 11 case for procedural purposes only. Specifically, the Debtors request that the Court maintain one file and one docket for each of the Debtor's chapter 11 cases under the case of Conexant Systems, Inc., and that the chapter 11 cases be administered under the following caption:

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Debtors.	)	Joint Administration Requested
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5. The Debtors also request that an entry be made on the docket of each of the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, other than the case of Conexant Systems, Inc., to reflect the joint administration of the chapter 11 cases, substantially similar to the following:

An order has been entered in accordance with Rule 1015(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and Rule 1015-1 of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware directing joint administration of the chapter 11 cases of the following entities: Conexant Systems, Inc.; Conexant CF, LLC; Brooktree Broadband Holding, Inc.; Conexant, Inc.; Conexant Systems Worldwide, Inc. All further pleadings and other papers shall be filed in, and all other further docket entries shall be made in, Case No. 13-10367 ( ).

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<sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal taxpayer-identification number, are: Conexant Systems, Inc. (9439); Conexant CF, LLC (6434); Brooktree Broadband Holding, Inc. (5436); Conexant, Inc. (8218); and Conexant Systems Worldwide, Inc. (0601). The Debtors' main corporate address is 4000 MacArthur Blvd., Newport Beach, California 92660.

6. The Debtors also request that if any of the chapter 11 cases are initially assigned to different judges, each of the chapter 11 cases be transferred to the judge to whom the lowest case number was assigned.

**Basis for Relief**

7. As set forth in the First Day Declaration, Conexant Systems, Inc. is the direct or indirect parent of each of the other 4 Debtors. As a result, each of the 4 Debtors are “affiliates” of Conexant Systems, Inc. as such term is defined in the Bankruptcy Code. Additionally, because of the Debtors’ interrelated businesses, each of the motions filed in the chapter 11 cases will implicate many, if not all, of the Debtors.

**Supporting Authority**

8. Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b) provides, in pertinent part, that “[i]f . . . two or more petitions are pending in the same court by or against . . . a debtor and an affiliate, the court may order a joint administration of the estates.” Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1015(b). Section 101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code defines “affiliate” to include an “entity that directly or indirectly owns, controls, or holds with power to vote, 20 percent or more of the outstanding voting securities of the debtor.” 11 U.S.C. § 101(2)(A).

9. In addition, Local Rule 1015-1 provides that the Court may order joint administration of chapter 11 cases to ease the administrative burden on the Court and the parties involved:

An order of joint administration may be entered, without notice and an opportunity for hearing, upon the filing of a motion for joint administration pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1015, supported by an affidavit, declaration or verification, which establishes that the joint administration of two or more cases pending in this Court under title 11 is warranted and will ease the administrative burden for the Court and the parties. An order of joint administration entered in accordance with this Local Rule may be reconsidered

upon motion of any party in interest at any time. An order of joint administration under this Local Rule is for procedural purposes only and shall not constitute a “substantive” consolidation of the respective debtors’ estates.

Del. Bankr. L.R. 1015-1.<sup>2</sup>

10. As disclosed in the First Day Declaration, the five Debtors are “affiliates” as that term is defined in section 101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code. Specifically, Conexant Systems, Inc. directly or indirectly owns 100 percent of the outstanding voting securities of each of the other four Debtors. The Debtors also share significant debt obligations that they seek to restructure as part of these chapter 11 cases. Accordingly, the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Rules authorize the Court to grant the relief requested herein.

11. Moreover, joint administration of the chapter 11 cases will provide significant administrative convenience without harming the substantive rights of any party in interest. Each Debtor will be affected by most, if not all, of the motions, hearings and orders in these chapter 11 cases. Thus, entry of an order directing joint administration of the chapter 11 cases will reduce fees and costs by avoiding duplicative filings and objections. Joint administration will also allow the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware and all parties in interest to monitor the chapter 11 cases with greater ease and efficiency.

12. The joint administration of these chapter 11 cases will not give rise to any conflict of interest among the Debtors’ estates, nor will joint administration adversely affect the Debtors’ respective constituencies because this motion requests (consistent with Local Rule 1015-1) only administrative, not substantive, consolidation of the Debtors’ cases. Parties in interest will not

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<sup>2</sup> Section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, which states that a bankruptcy court “may issue any order, process, or judgment that is necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of [the Bankruptcy Code]” provides the Court with further power to grant the Debtors’ requested relief. 11 U.S.C. §105(a).

be harmed by the relief requested but, instead, will benefit from the cost reductions associated with the joint administration of the chapter 11 cases. Accordingly, the Debtors submit that the joint administration of the chapter 11 cases is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors and all other parties in interest.

13. Courts in this jurisdiction have approved relief similar to the relief requested in this motion. *See, e.g., In re Vertis Holdings, Inc.*, No. 12-12821 (CSS) (Bankr. D. Del. Oct. 12, 2012) (directing joint administration of chapter 11 cases); *In re Neb. Book Co.*, No. 11-12005 (PJW) (Bankr. D. Del. June 28, 2011) (same); *In re Appleseed's Intermediate Holdings, LLC*, No. 11-10160 (KG) (Bankr. D. Del. Jan. 20, 2011) (same); *In re MagnaChip Semiconductor Finance Co.*, No. 09-12008 (PJW) (Bankr. D. Del. June 15, 2009) (same); *In re Spansion Inc.*, No. 09-10690 (KJC) (Bankr. D. Del. Mar. 4, 2009) (same).<sup>3</sup>

#### Notice

14. The Debtors have provided notice of this motion to: (a) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware; (b) the entities listed on the Consolidated List of Creditors Holding the 30 Largest Unsecured Claims filed pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1007(d); (c) counsel to the Debtors' prepetition secured lender and debtor in possession lender; (d) the agent for the Debtors' prepetition secured notes; (e) counsel to each of the prepetition equity holders; (f) the Delaware Secretary of State; (g) the Delaware Secretary of Treasury; (h) the Delaware State Attorney General; (i) the Office of the United States Attorney General for the State of Delaware; (j) the Internal Revenue Service; and (k) the Securities and Exchange Commission. In light of the nature of the relief requested in this motion, the Debtors respectfully

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<sup>3</sup> Because of the voluminous nature of the orders cited herein, such orders are not attached to this motion. Copies of these orders are available upon request to the Debtors' counsel.

submit that no further notice is necessary.

**No Prior Request**

15. No prior motion for the relief requested herein has been made to this or any other court.

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WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth herein and in the First Day Declaration, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court enter an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, (a) directing joint administration of the Debtors' chapter 11 cases for procedural purposes only and (b) granting such other and further relief as may be appropriate.

Dated: February 28, 2013  
Wilmington, Delaware

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**Exhibit A**

**Proposed Order**

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**ORDER DIRECTING JOINT ADMINISTRATION OF RELATED CHAPTER 11 CASES**

Upon the motion (the “*Motion*”)<sup>1</sup> of the Debtors for entry of an order (this “*Order*”) pursuant to sections 101(2) and 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Rule 1015(b) of the Bankruptcy Rules and Rule 1015-1 of the Local Rules, directing joint administration of the Debtors’ related chapter 11 cases, all as more fully described in the Motion; and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein in accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; and consideration of the Motion and the relief requested therein being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and venue being proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the Motion being adequate and appropriate under the particular circumstances; and a hearing having been held to consider the relief requested in the Motion (the “*Hearing*”); and upon consideration of the First Day Declaration, the record of the Hearing and all proceedings had before the Court; and the Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors’ estates, their creditors and other parties in interest, and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and any objections to the

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<sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Motion.

requested relief having been withdrawn or overruled on the merits; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby ORDERED:

1. The Motion is granted to the extent provided herein.
2. The above-captioned chapter 11 cases are consolidated for procedural purposes only and shall be jointly administered under Case No. 13-10367 ( ), the case number for Conexant Systems, Inc.
3. The caption of the jointly administered cases shall read as follows:

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filed in, and all other further docket entries shall be made in, Case No. 13-10367 ( ).

5. The Debtors shall maintain, and the Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware shall keep, one consolidated docket, one file and one consolidated service list.

6. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Order shall be deemed or construed as directing or otherwise affecting a substantive consolidation of the chapter 11 cases.

7. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this Order in accordance with the Motion.

8. Notwithstanding the possible applicability of Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h), 7062, 9014 or otherwise, this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

9. The Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the interpretation or implementation of this Order.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2013  
Wilmington, Delaware

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United States Bankruptcy Judge