IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

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	§	CASE NO. 15-35615
RAAM GLOBAL ENERGY COMPANY,	§	
et al.	§	(Chapter 11)
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	§	JOINTLY ADMINISTERED
DEBTORS.	§	

NOTICE OF FILING OF STIPULATION AS THE PROPOSED EXHIBIT TO PROPOSED ORDER AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING (A) STALKING HORSE PURCHASE AGREEMENT, (B) BIDDING PROCEDURES, (C) PROCEDURES FOR DETERMINING CURE AMOUNTS FOR EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES, AND (D) RELATED RELIEF

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on November 27, 2015, the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>"), Highbridge Principal Strategies, LLC, on behalf of the lender parties under the First Lien Credit Agreement, the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, and Ace Insurance Company and its affiliates entered into the *Stipulation* attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (the "<u>Stipulation</u>").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Debtors hereby submit the Stipulation as a proposed exhibit to the proposed *Order Authorizing and Approving (A) Stalking Horse Purchase Agreement, (B) Bidding Procedures, (C) Procedures for Determining Cure Amounts for Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases, and (D) Related Relief that is set for hearing on December 2, 2015 at 10:00 am Central time.*

Dated: November 27, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:

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RAAM GLOBAL ENERGY
COMPANY, et al., 1
Case No. 15-35615 (MI)

Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

Chapter 11

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STIPULATION

This stipulation (this "Stipulation") is made and entered into as of November 27, 2015 (the "Stipulation Effective Date"), by and among the following parties: the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"); Highbridge Principal Strategies, LLC, on behalf of the lender parties under the First Lien Credit Agreement ("Highbridge"); the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee"); and Ace Insurance Company and its Affiliates (collectively, "Ace"). The Debtors, Highbridge, the Committee, and Ace are each referred to herein as a "Party" and are collectively referred to herein as the "Parties."

Recitals

WHEREAS, on October 26, 2015 (the "**Petition Date**") RAAM Global Energy Company, and certain of its affiliates commenced chapter 11 cases in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division (the "**Court**"), by filing voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C.

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number are RAAM Global Energy Company [2973], Century Exploration New Orleans, LLC [4948], Century Exploration Houston, LLC [9624], and Century Exploration Resources, LLC [7252].

§§ 101-1532 (the "Bankruptcy Code"), which chapter 11 cases are being jointly administered and are captioned *In re RAAM Global Energy Company, et al.*, Case No. 15-35615 (MI) (the "Chapter 11 Cases");

WHEREAS, on the Petition Date, the Debtors filed the *Emergency Motion for* Approval of Interim and Final Use of Cash Collateral and Granting Adequate Protection [Dkt. No. 11] (the "Cash Collateral Motion");

WHEREAS, the Debtors and Ace entered into the Ace Bonding Agreement to fund the Debtors' plugging and abandonment ("P&A") obligations;

WHEREAS, an escrow account created pursuant to and for the benefit of the Ace Bonding Agreement (the "Escrow Agreement") held approximately \$9.9 million as of the Petition Date as of September 30, 2015;

WHEREAS, on November 6, 2015, the Debtors filed a motion seeking authority to sell to Highbridge substantially all of the Debtors' assets pursuant to sections 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code pursuant to an asset purchase agreement [Docket No. 90] (such motion, the "Sale Motion," and such agreement, the "Purchase Agreement") whereby Highbridge will purchase substantially all of the Debtors' assets (the "Sale" and any cash proceeds from the Sale, the "Sale Proceeds");

WHEREAS, on November 23, 2015, the Debtors filed the Expedited Motion for Order Authorizing (A) the Debtors to Deliver Checks to their Intended Recipients, (B) the Debtors and Ace to Enter Into Contracts with Vendors to Perform Plugging and Abandonment Work in the Ordinary Course, and (C) the Utilization of Funds in the Escrow Account to Pay for Such Work in the Ordinary Course [Docket No. 148] (the "Ace Motion");

WHEREAS, on November 24, 2015, the Committee filed an objection to the Cash Collateral Motion [Docket No. 152];

WHEREAS, on November 24, 2015, the Debtors filed the *Debtors' Joint Plan of Liquidation Pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code* [Docket No. 154] (the "**Plan**");

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby stipulated and agreed to by and among the Parties and upon Bankruptcy Court approval hereof, it shall be ordered as follows:

- 1. This Stipulation is intended to bind and inure to the benefit of the Parties. The rights or obligations of the Parties under this Stipulation may not be assigned, delegated, or transferred to any other person or entities.
- 2. The Purchase Agreement shall be amended to provide that Highbridge shall fund the Sale Proceeds as provided for, and only as provided for, in this Stipulation upon the effective date of the Plan (the "Effective Date"). The Purchase Agreement shall be further amended to provide that a condition to the closing of the sale shall be the occurrence of the Effective Date.
- 3. Under the Plan, Ace shall receive \$1,150,000.00 of the Sale Proceeds in full and final satisfaction of any and all claims of Ace in the Chapter 11 Cases. Ace agrees to satisfy any unpaid Claims against the Debtors on account of P&A liabilities secured by Ace bonds identified on the attached **Exhibit A** (as may be amended or supplemented from time to time solely to include pre-petition claims for P&A work regarding properties on which Ace has issued a bond) on either the earlier of (i) as soon as practicable after entry of an order approving this Stipulation, (ii) in the ordinary course of business, or (iii) as otherwise ordered by the Court. Ace shall also continue to apply the proceeds of the Escrow Account in the ordinary course of business during the pendency of the Chapter 11 Cases in accordance with

the Ace Motion and shall pay past and future P&A liabilities on behalf of the Debtors solely with respect to properties on which Ace has issued a bond up to the face amount of such bond.

- 4. Under the Plan, holders of General Unsecured Trade Claims shall receive a pro rata distribution of \$800,000 of the Sale Proceeds in full and final satisfaction of such Claims (the "General Unsecured Trade Claims Distribution"). The General Unsecured Trade Claims Distribution shall not be shared with any holder of Claims in any other Class, including, without limitation, the General Unsecured Non-Trade Claims Class; provided, however, except as set forth in this Paragraph, in the event the Debtors or Highbridge satisfy any such General Unsecured Trade Claims on or before the Effective Date, whether through any motion filed by the Debtors or through Cure Payments paid pursuant to the Sale (collectively, the "Satisfied Claims"), then the amount provided to Holders of General Unsecured Trade Claims shall be reduced by 57.5% of the amount of the Satisfied Claims. The Plan shall be amended to provide that General Unsecured Trade Claims does not include (i) any Debtors' professional fees incurred prepetition, and (ii) any payments made to Debtors' employees on account of prepetition claims
- 5. The Parties shall negotiate in good faith and agree before December 2, 2015, on a professional fee budget for the Debtors' and the Committee's professionals through the Effective Date, including any amounts that shall be funded into the Professional Fee Reserve.
- 6. Under the Plan, the Debtors shall negotiate in good faith and agree before December 2, 2015, on the Liquidating Trust Expense Reserve, with such other terms as set forth in the Plan. The Plan shall be amended to provide (i) that the Liquidating Trustee shall be appointed by the Committee, in consultation with the Debtors, Ace, and Highbridge, and (ii) such other amendments as may be necessary or reasonable for the Liquidating Trust, to be

negotiated in good faith by the Parties, including, without limitation, commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Purchaser to enter into a transition services agreement with the Liquidating Trustee, at cost, for the reconciliation of claims, if necessary or desirable.

- 7. The Plan shall provide that all other proceeds of the Liquidating Trust Assets, including any unused amounts from the Professional Fee Reserve and the Liquidating Trust Expense Reserve, shall be distributed (a) first (1) 50% to satisfy any Claims of ACE and (2) 50% to Holders of General Unsecured Trade Claims, until the Claims set forth in (1) or (2) have been satisfied in full, (b) second, to satisfy any unpaid Claims of the First Lien Credit Agreement Claims up to the full amount of such Claims, and (c) third, to Holders of Senior Secured Note Claims on a pro rata basis.
- 8. The Plan shall be modified in all respects to incorporate the terms of this Stipulation contemplated herein.
- 9. In the event the Debtors determine that another Sale transaction is higher or otherwise better than the Purchase Agreement, any Sale Proceeds in excess of the amount provided in the Purchase Agreement (as modified by Paragraph 2, herein) shall be applied after the payments contemplated under this Stipulation are paid, first, to satisfy all First Lien Credit Agreement Claims up to the full amount of such Claims and, second, to Holders of Senior Secured Note Claims on a pro rata basis.
- 10. If Highbridge is the Purchaser under the Plan, it shall use commercially reasonable efforts to enter into a transition services agreement with Ace on the Effective Date of the Plan, at cost, with respect to use of Debtor's management team to facilitate any post-closing P&A on the Ace bonded assets of the Debtors.

- 11. The Debtors, Highbridge, the Committee, and Ace shall (i) support, and shall not directly or indirectly, or encourage any other entity to directly or indirectly, object to, delay, impede, or take any other action or any inaction to interfere with the acceptance, implementation, or consummation of the Plan (as amended consistent with this Stipulation) or approval by the Court of the Plan, the Cash Collateral Order, the Sale, and the Ace Motion or any related transactions, documents, or settlements, (ii) withdraw any and all and not engage in any further, discovery requests, litigation, appeals, or objections related to the foregoing or any matters related to the foregoing, and (iii) not agree to, consent to, or provide any support to any other Plan or Sale that is inconsistent with the terms set forth in this Stipulation.
- 12. The order approving this Stipulation shall provide that no Plan or other future order of the Court will abrogate or adversely affect the provisions set forth in this Stipulation; provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, this Stipulation shall not limit or otherwise impair Highbridge's rights provided for in the Cash Collateral Order or Purchase Agreement (except as modified by this Stipulation) and upon a termination of the Purchase Agreement (except in accordance with the Bidding Procedures (as defined therein)) or of the use of cash collateral under the Cash Collateral Order, this Stipulation shall be deemed terminated and the Parties' rights shall revert *status qou ante*.
- 13. This Stipulation shall not be modified, altered, amended or vacated without the written consent of the Parties hereto.
- 14. For purposes of construing this Stipulation, none of the Parties shall be deemed to have been the drafter of the Stipulation.
- 15. This Stipulation may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same agreement. Signatures to

this Stipulation transmitted by facsimile transmission, by electronic mail in "portable document format" (".pdf") form or other electronic means will have the same effect as physical delivery of the paper document bearing an original signature.

16. Upon approval by the Court, this Stipulation shall constitute an order of this Court and violations of the provisions of this Stipulation are subject to enforcement and the imposition of legal sanctions in the same manner as any other order of the Court.

[Signature Page Immediately Follows]

Stipulated and agreed by:

RAAM GLOBAL ENERGY COMPANY, $\it et~al.$, DEBTORS AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION

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RAAM Global Energy Company & Subsidiaries Unpaid Prepetition Amounts Due by Vendor As of November 19, 2015

Inclusive of all invoices received by the Company as of 11/19/2015 Not inclusive of estimates for un-invoiced work

	P&A					
Vendor Name		Gross P&A Balance		less: ACE Checks		Remaining Balance due P&A
MONTCO OILFIELD CONTRACTORS LLC	\$	1,152,967.98	\$	(852,967.98)	\$	300,000.00
REC MARINE LOGISTICS, LLC	\$	122,289.80	\$	(60,289.80)	\$	62,000.00
TETRA TECHNOLOGIES, INC	\$	42,474.56	\$	-	\$	42,474.56
TUSK SUBSEA SERVICES, LLC	\$	30,000.00	\$	-	\$	30,000.00
BLUE FIN SERVICES, LLC	\$	18,655.50	\$	-	\$	18,655.50
C&C TECHNOLOGIES, INC	\$	6,408.00	\$	-	\$	6,408.00
MARTIN ENERGY SERVICES, LLC	\$	4,986.65	\$	-	\$	4,986.65
BLANCHARD CONTRACTORS,INC.	\$	2,785.00	\$	-	\$	2,785.00
WET TECH ENERGY, INC	\$	2,100.00	\$	-	\$	2,100.00
MAGNUM MUD EQUIPMENT CO., INC.	\$	1,636.00	\$	-	\$	1,636.00
EMPIRE SCAFFOLD LLC	\$	1,010.00	\$	-	\$	1,010.00
PRIME TANK, L.L.C.	\$	724.00	\$	-	\$	724.00
DISHMAN & BENNETT SPECIALY CO., INC	\$	51,738.00	\$	(51,513.00)	\$	225.00
ENVIRONMENTAL ENTERPRISES	\$	175.00	\$	-	\$	175.00
PELICAN ENERGY CONSULTANTS, LLC	\$	1,325.00	\$	(1,325.00)	\$	-
UNITED VISION LOGISITICS	\$	1,047.20	\$	(1,047.20)	\$	-
AQUEOS CORPORATION	\$	364,110.00	\$	(364,110.00)	\$	-
CARDINAL COIL TUBING, LLC	\$	36,653.35	\$	(36,653.35)	\$	-
PREMIUM OILFIELD SERVICES, LLC	\$	36,545.20	\$	(36,545.20)	\$	-
AQUA-TECH SERVICES	\$	24,300.00	\$	(24,300.00)	\$	-
SEACOR LIFTBOATS LLC	\$	14,440.40	\$	(14,440.40)	\$	-
BAYOU INSPECTION INC DBA BAYOU TESTERS	\$	4,786.00	\$	(4,786.00)	\$	-
ELITE COMMUNICATION SERVICES	\$	3,800.00	\$	(3,800.00)	\$	-
CACTUS WELLHEAD, LLC	\$	828.00	\$	(828.00)	\$	
Grand Total	\$	1,925,785.64	\$	(1,452,605.93)	\$	473,179.71