# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT** 

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 13, 2023

# Ocean Biomedical, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

001-40793

87-1309280

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File No.)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
	5 Claverick St., Room 325 Providence, RI 02903 ss of Principal Executive Office	s)
(Reş	(401) 444-7375 gistrant's Telephone Number)	
(Former Name or Fo	N/A ormer Address, if Changed Since	e Last Report)
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intende following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):	ed to simultaneously satisfy the	filing obligation of the registrant under any of the
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Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:		
Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	OCEA	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Warrants, each warrant exercisable for one share of common stock at an exercise price of \$11.50	OCEAW	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging g chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§:		Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this
Emerging growth company ⊠		
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#### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

As previously reported, on February 12, 2023, Ocean Biomedical, Inc. (f/k/a Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp.) (the "Company"), Ocean Biomedical Holdings, Inc. (f/k/a Ocean Biomedical, Inc.) (the "Target") and Vellar Opportunity Fund SPV LLC – Series 3 ("Vellar") entered into an amended and restated OTC Equity Prepaid Forward Transaction (the "Backstop Agreement"). Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined in this filing shall have the meaning given to such terms in the Backstop Agreement, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 10.1 to the Registrant's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on February 13, 2023 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Pursuant to the Backstop Agreement, Vellar agreed to purchase up to 8,000,000 shares of the Company's Class A common stock in the open market for up to \$80,000,000, including from other Company stockholders that elected to redeem and subsequently revoked their prior elections to redeem their shares, following the expiration of the Company's redemption offer.

On February 13, 2023, the Company, Vellar and the Target entered into an assignment and novation agreement with Meteora Special Opportunity Fund I, LP, Meteora Select Trading Opportunities Master, LP and Meteora Capital Partners, LP (collectively "Meteora") (the "Meteora Agreement"), pursuant to which Vellar assigned its obligation as to 2,666,667 shares of the Class A Common Stock of the Company to be purchased under the Backstop Agreement to Meteora. In addition, on February 13, 2023, the Company, Vellar and the Target entered into an assignment and novation agreement with Polar Multi-Strategy Master Fund ("Polar") (the "Polar Agreement") pursuant to which Vellar assigned its obligations as to 2,000,000 shares of the Class A Common Stock of the Company to be purchased under the Backstop Agreement to Polar.

On February 14, 2023, the Company, the Target and Polar entered into a subscription agreement in which Polar agreed to purchase 1,350,000 newly-issued shares of Aesther Common Stock at a per share purchase price of \$10.56 and an aggregate purchase price of \$14,260,404 (the "Polar Subscription"). The Polar Subscription was the method by which Polar exercised its right to purchase "Additional Shares" pursuant to the Backstop Agreement to which Polar acquired a portion of the rights from Vellar pursuant to the Polar Agreement. The shares acquired by Polar as part of the Polar Subscription are subject to the restrictions for "Additional Shares" set forth in the Backstop Agreement.

The description of the Meteora Agreement, the Polar Agreement and the Polar Subscription (collectively, the "Agreements") does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by the full text of the Agreements, copies of which are attached hereto as Exhibit 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3, respectively, and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

#### **Exhibit No. Description**

- Assignment and Novation Agreement by and between Vellar Opportunity Fund SPV LLC Series 3, Meteora Special Opportunity Fund I, LP, Meteora Capital Partners, LP and Meteora Select Trading Opportunities Master, LP and Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp. and Ocean Biomedical, Inc. dated as of February 13, 2023.
- 2.2 Assignment and Novation Agreement by and between Vellar Opportunity Fund SPV LLC Series 3, Polar Multi-Strategy Master Fund, Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp. and Ocean Biomedical, Inc. dated as of February 13, 2023.
- 2.3† Subscription Agreement by and between Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp., Ocean Biomedical, Inc. and Polar Multi-Strategy Master Fund dated as of February 14, 2023.
- 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded with the Inline XBRL)
- † Certain of the exhibits and schedules to this Exhibit have been omitted in accordance with Item 601(a)(5) of Regulation S-K. The Registrant agrees to furnish a copy of all omitted exhibits and schedules to the SEC upon request; provided, however, that the Registrant may request confidential treatment pursuant to Rule 24b-2 of the Exchange Act, as amended, for any schedule or exhibit so furnished.

# **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: February 16, 2023 OCEAN BIOMEDICAL, INC.

By: /s/Elizabeth Ng

Name: Elizabeth Ng

Title: Chief Executive Officer

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#### ASSIGNMENT AND NOVATION AGREEMENT

This Assignment and Novation Agreement (the "Agreement") is made by and among Vellar Opportunity Fund SPV LLC – Series 3, a Delaware limited liability company ("Assignor"), Meteora Special Opportunity Fund I, LP, Meteora Capital Partners, LP and Meteora Select Trading Opportunities Master, LP (collectively, the "Purchaser" or "Assignee"), Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation ("Counterparty") and Ocean Biomedical, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Target") as of February 13, 2023. The Assignor, the Purchaser, the Counterparty and the Target are sometimes referred to in this Agreement singly as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties."

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Assignor, the Counterparty and the Target (collectively, the "FPA Parties") are a party to that certain Forward Purchase Agreement Confirmation, dated as of February 10, 2023 (the "Forward Purchase Agreement"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, wherein Assignor agreed to enter into a Share Forward Transaction as defined in the 2002 ISDA Equity Derivatives Definitions (the "Transaction"), with a Maximum Number of Shares equal to 8,000,000 shares of the Counterparty's Class A ordinary shares, par value \$0.0001 per share ("Shares");

WHEREAS, Assignor desires to assign to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser wishes to acquire, all of Assignor's rights, duties and obligations under the Forward Purchase Agreement with respect to 2,666,667 Shares in the Transaction (the "Novated Amount"); and

WHEREAS, capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Forward Purchase Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and in consideration of the mutual premises and agreements contained in this Agreement, and intending to be legally bound, the Parties agree as follows.

#### 1. Assignment.

- 1.1 Upon execution hereof, the Assignor hereby assigns to Assignee all of Assignor's rights, duties and obligations under the Forward Purchase Agreement with respect to the Novated Amount (excluding all rights to the Break-Up Fee and the Reimbursement of Legal and Other Expenses, but including, for the avoidance of doubt, the Share Consideration), which constitutes 33.3% of the Maximum Number of Shares, and Purchaser hereby accepts the assignment and assumes all of Assignor's obligations under the Forward Purchase Agreement in respect of the Novated Amount, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 1.2 Assignor and Purchaser agree not to act together for the purpose of acquiring, holding, voting or disposing of any of the Shares, and are not entering into this Agreement for the purpose of, nor with the effect of, changing or influencing

- control of the Counterparty.
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- 1.4 Purchaser shall not be reimbursed for any legal fees and expenses incurred by Purchaser in connection with the Transaction.
- 1.5 Any fees payable by any Party in connection with the assignment and novation hereunder shall be subject to a separate agreement between such Parties.

#### Novation.

- 2.1 The Target, the Counterparty and the Assignor are each released and discharged from further obligations to each other under the Forward Purchase Agreement with respect to the Novated Amount and their respective rights against each other thereunder are cancelled (including a corresponding reduction in the Maximum Share Amount relating to Assignor by the amount of the Novated Amount).
- 2.2 Unless otherwise set forth herein, the Counterparty and the Target, taking the same position pursuant to the Forward Purchase Agreement with respect to the Novated Amount as they took in the Transaction prior to this Agreement, and the Purchaser, taking the position taken by the Assignor pursuant to the Forward Purchase Agreement with respect to the Novated Amount as it took in the Transaction prior to this Agreement, each undertake the liabilities and obligations towards the other and acquire rights against each other pursuant to the Forward Purchase Agreement with respect to the Novated Amount and with terms identical to the terms set forth therein.
- Representations and Warranties of Assignor. Assignor hereby represents and warrants as follows.
  - 3.1 The Forward Purchase Agreement is in full force and effect. Entry into this Agreement does not constitute a default under or breach of or violate or give rise to any right of termination, cancellation, amendment or acceleration of any right or obligation under the Forward Purchase Agreement.
  - 3.2 Assignor has all requisite corporate power and authority to enter into and perform this Agreement and to consummate the Assignment contemplated pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. Upon execution and delivery hereof, this Agreement shall be a legal, valid and binding agreement of Assignor, enforceable against Assignor in accordance with its terms, except as such enforcement may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or other laws affecting creditors' rights and by general principles of equity.
  - 3.3 There are no claims, actions, suits or proceedings pending or threatened against Assignor which, if determined adversely to Assignor, would materially and adversely affect the Assignor's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

- 3.4 No consent, approval or ment of any individual or entity is required to be obtained by Assignor in connection with the execution and performance by Assignor of this Agreement or the execution and performance by Assignor of any agreements, instruments or other obligations entered into in connection with this Agreement.
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- 5. Benefit and Assignments. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns; provided that no Party shall assign or transfer all or any portion of this Agreement without the prior written consent of each other Party, and any such attempted assignment shall be null and void and of no force or effect.
- 6. No Affiliation. Assignor and Purchaser, and each other person that is directly or indirectly through one or more intermediates controlling or controlled by or under common control with the Assignor and Purchaser, as the case may be, are not to be considered, and shall not become or be considered, an "affiliate" (as defined in Rule 144 under the Securities Act) of such other Party at any time during the term of the Transaction.
- Jurisdiction and Venue. The Parties agree that this Agreement shall be construed solely in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, notwithstanding its choice or conflict of law principles, and any proceedings arising among the Parties in any matter pertaining

- or related to this Agreement shall, to the extent permitted by law, be heard solely in the State and/or Federal courts located in New York City.
- Headings. The paragraph headings of this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and do not form a part of the terms and conditions of this Agreement or give full notice thereof.
- 9. <u>Severability</u>. Any provision hereof that is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability, without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.
- 10. Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire understanding between the Parties, no other representations, warranties or covenants having induced the Parties to execute this Agreement, and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous agreements with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be amended or modified in any manner except by a written agreement duly executed by the Party to be charged, and any attempted amendment or modification to the contrary shall be null and void and of no force or effect.
- 11. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by original, facsimile or email signature. All executed counterparts shall constitute one Agreement not withstanding that all signatories are not signatories to the original or the same counterpart. Facsimile and scanned signatures are considered original signatures.
- 12. Legal Fees. Each Party will bear its own legal expenses in the execution of this Agreement.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.

ASSIGNOR

VELLAR OPPORTUNITY FUND SPV LLC – SERIES 3

Name: Solomon Cohen

Title: Authorized Representative

Name, address and email for notice:

COUNTERPARTY

AESTHER HEALTHCARE ACQUISITION CORP.

Name: Suren Ajjarapu

Title: Chief Executive Officer
Name, address and email for notice:
suren@aestherhealthearespac.com

ASSIGNEE/PURCHASER

METEORA SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY FUND I, LP; METEORA CAPITAL PARTNERS, LP; AND METEORA SELECT TRADING OPPORTUNITIES MASTER, LP

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TARGET

OCEAN BIOMEDICAL, INC.

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Name: Chirinjeev Kathuria
Title: Executive Chairman
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EXHIBIT A

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  - The following is hereby added to the end of the text under the section titled "Share Registration":

In no event shall Seller be identified as a statutory underwriter in the Registration Statement without its permission. If the Commission requests that Seller be named an underwriter, Seller may elect to be excluded from the Registration Statement.

 The text of the Section entitled "Maturity Consideration" is hereby replaced by the following:

The "Maturity Consideration" means an amount equal to the product of (1) (a) the Maximum Number of Shares less (b) the number of Terminated Shares multiplied by (2) \$2.50. In the event the Maturity Date is determined by clause (a) or (c) of Valuation Date, on such Maturity Date, Seller shall be entitled to receive the Maturity Consideration in cash or, at the option of Counterparty (other than in the case of a Delisting Event), Shares based on the average daily VWAP Price over 30 scheduled trading days ending on the Maturity Date (such shares to be paid as Maturity Consideration, the "Maturity Shares"); provided, that the Maturity Shares used to pay the

Maturity Consideration (i) (a) are registered for resale under an effective registration statement pursuant to the Securities Act under which Seller may sell or transfer the Shares or (b) may be transferred by Seller under Rule 144 without restriction, including the requirement for the Counterparty to be in compliance with the current public information required under Rule 144(c)(1) (or Rule 144(i)(2), if applicable) or the volume and manner of sale limitations under Rule 144(e), (f) and (g) under the Securities Act and (ii) bear no restrictive legend (collectively, (i) and (ii) above, the "Share Conditions"); provided, further, that if the Maturity Shares do not satisfy the Share Conditions, Seller shall instead receive such number of Shares equal to the product of (a) three and (b) the Maximum Number of Shares minus the Terminated Shares (the "Penalty Shares"); provided, further, that if the Penalty Shares satisfy the Share Conditions within 120 days after the Maturity Date, Seller shall return to Counterparty such number of Penalty Shares that are valued in excess of Maturity Consideration based on the 10-day VWAP ending on date that such Shares satisfied the Share Conditions, provided further, however, that in the event that the number of shares to be issued would be greater than 9.9% of Counterparty's outstanding shares, Counterparty will only issue such number of shares as would result in the Seller owning 9.9% of the outstanding shares of common stock. Any amount not issued due to the 9.9% limitation shall be issued by Counterparty to Seller at such time as Seller's beneficial ownership of the common stock would not exceed 9.9% until the total number of shares of common stock issued to Seller equals the amount required to be issued pursuant to this section. Counterparty, at Sellers's option, will pay the Maturity Consideration on a net basis such that Seller retains a number of shares due to Counterparty upon the Maturity Date equal to the number of Maturity Shares or Penalty Shares payable to Seller, only to the extent the Number of Shares due to Counterparty upon the Maturity Date are equal to or more than the number of Maturity Shares or Penalty Shares payable to Seller, with any Maturity Consideration remaining due to be paid to Seller in newly issued Shares. For the avoidance of doubt, in addition to the Maturity Consideration, at the Maturity Date, Seller will be entitled to retain a cash amount equal to the product of (y) the Number of Shares remaining in the Transaction multiplied by (z) the Redemption Price, and Seller will deliver to Buyer the Number of Shares that remain in the Transaction. In the event that the Maturity Date is determined by clause (b) of the Valuation Date, on such Maturity Date, Seller shall not be entitled to receive the Maturity Consideration.

- Paragraph (b) of the Section entitled "Additional Termination Event" is hereby deleted and replaced by the following:
  - (b) the Merger Agreement is terminated pursuant to its terms prior to the closing of the Business Combination; and
  - (c) if it is, or, as a consequence of a change in law, regulation or interpretation, it becomes or will become, unlawful for the Seller to perform any of its obligations contemplated by the Transaction.
- The text of Section 2(e) under "Representations, Warranties and Covenants" is hereby deleted and replaced by the following:
  - No Distribution. Counterparty is not entering into the Transaction to facilitate a distribution of the Shares (or any security that may be converted into or exercised or exchanged for Shares, or whose value under its terms may in whole or in significant part be determined by the value of the Shares) or in connection with any future issuance of securities.
- The text of the Section entitled "Share Consideration" is hereby replaced by the following:

In addition to the Prepayment Amount, Counterparty shall pay directly from the Trust Account, on the Prepayment Date, an amount equal to the product of (x) 400,000 and (y) the Initial Price. The Shares purchased with the Share Consideration (the "Share Consideration Shares") shall be incremental to the Maximum Number of Shares, shall not be included in the Number of Shares in this Transaction, and the Seller and the Share Consideration Shares shall be free and clear of all obligations with respect to the Seller and such Share Consideration Shares in connection with this Confirmation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Counterparty shall have the option to repurchase the Share Consideration Shares from Seller at an aggregate price of \$1,000,000 at any time during the first nine months after the Prepayment Date.

- Representations and Warranties of Assignor and Remaining Parties. Assignor and Remaining Parties hereby represents and warrants as follows.
  - 3.1 The Forward Purchase Agreement is in full force and effect. Entry into this Agreement does not constitute a default under or breach of or violate or give rise to any right of termination, cancellation, amendment or acceleration of any right or obligation under the Forward Purchase Agreement.

- 3.2 Assignor and the Remaining Parties each have all requisite corporate power and authority to enter into and perform this Agreement and to consummate the Assignment contemplated pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. Upon execution and delivery hereof, this Agreement shall be a legal, valid and binding agreement of Assignor and each of the Remaining Parties, enforceable against each of them in accordance with its terms, except as such enforcement may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or other laws affecting creditors' rights and by general principles of equity.
- 3.3 There are no claims, actions, suits or proceedings pending or threatened against Assignor which, if determined adversely to Assignor, would materially and adversely affect the Assignor's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.
- 3.4 No consent, approval or agreement of any individual or entity is required to be obtained by Assignor in connection with the execution and performance by Assignor of this Agreement or the execution and performance by Assignor of any agreements, instruments or other obligations entered into in connection with this Agreement.
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  of the Parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns; provided that no Party
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- consent of each other Party, and any such attempted assignment shall be null and void and of no force or effect.
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- 7. <u>Jurisdiction and Venue</u>. The Parties agree that this Agreement shall be construed solely in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, notwithstanding its choice or conflict of law principles, and any proceedings arising among the Parties in any matter pertaining or related to this Agreement shall, to the extent permitted by law, be heard solely in the State and/or Federal courts located in New York City.
- Headings. The paragraph headings of this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and do not form a part of the terms and conditions of this Agreement or give full notice thereof.
- 9. <u>Severability</u>. Any provision hereof that is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability, without invalidating the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction.
- 10. Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire understanding between the Parties, no other representations, warranties or covenants having induced the Parties to execute this Agreement, and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous agreements with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may not be amended or modified in any manner except by a written agreement duly executed by the Party to be charged, and any attempted amendment or modification to the contrary shall be null and void and of no force or effect.
- 11. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts by original, facsimile or email signature. All executed counterparts shall constitute one Agreement not withstanding that all signatories are not signatories to the original or the same counterpart. Facsimile and scanned signatures are considered original signatures.
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.

ASSIGNOR

VELLAR OPPORTUNITY FUND SPV LLC – SERIES 3

Name: Solomon Cohen

Title: Authorized Representative

Name, address and email for notice:

Andrew Davilman

adavilman@cohenandcompany.com

Cohen & Company 3 Columbus Circle

24th floor New York, NY 10019

COUNTERPARTY

AESTHER HEALTHCARE ACQUISITION CORP.

Name: Suren Ajjarapu

Title: Chief Executive Officer
Name, address and email for notice:
suren@aestherhealthcarespac.com

ASSIGNEE/PURCHASER

POLAR MULTI-STRATEGY MASTER

FUND

By its investment advisor

Polar Asset Management Partners Inc.

Name: Andrew Ma / Aatifa Ibrahim Title: CCO / Legal Counsel

Name, address and email for notice:

Ravi Bhat / Jillian Bruce / Legal Department

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Email: rbhat@polaramp.com;

jbruce@polaramp.com; legal@polaramp.com

TARGET

OCEAN BIOMEDICAL, INC.

By: Chiniyeen kathunia

Name: Chirinjeev Kathuria Title: Executive Chairman

Name, address and email for notice: ckathuria@oceanbiomedical.com



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# EXHIBIT A

#### SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT

This SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT (this "Subscription Agreement") is entered into this day of February 2023, by and between Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), Ocean Biomedical, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Target"), and the undersigned ("Subscriber" or "you"). Defined terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings ascribed thereto in the Transaction Agreement (as defined below).

WHEREAS, the Company, Target, and the other parties named therein entered into an agreement and plan of merger dated as of August 31, 2022 (as it may be amended, the "Transaction Agreement"), pursuant to which, among other things, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company will merge with and into Target, and Target will continue as the surviving corporation and as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Transaction").

WHEREAS, in connection with and contingent on the closing of the Transaction (the "Transaction Closing"), subject to the terms and conditions hereof, Subscriber desires to subscribe for and purchase from the Company that number of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the "Common Stock"), set forth on the signature page hereto for a purchase price of \$10.56 per share (the "Per Share Price"), or the aggregate purchase price (which may be no less than \$50,000) set forth on the signature page hereto (the "Purchase Price"), and the Company desires to issue and sell to Subscriber at the Closing the Securities (as defined below) in consideration of the payment of the Purchase Price by or on behalf of Subscriber to the Company on or prior to the Closing (as defined below).

WHEREAS, in connection with the Transaction, Subscriber has agreed to purchase on the closing date of the Transaction (the "Closing Date") an aggregate of up to 1,350,000 shares of Common Stock at the Per Share Price (the "Offering").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual representations, warranties and covenants, and pursuant to the terms and subject to the conditions, herein contained, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

- Subscription. Subject to the terms and conditions hereof, Subscriber hereby subscribes for and agrees to purchase from the Company at the Closing, and the Company hereby agrees to issue and sell to Subscriber, at the Closing, upon the payment of the Purchase Price, that number of shares of Common Stock set forth on the signature page hereto (the "Securities") on the terms and conditions set forth herein (such subscription and issuance, the "Subscription").
  - 2. Representations, Warranties and Agreements.
- 2.1 <u>Subscriber's Representations, Warranties and Agreements.</u> To induce the Company to issue the Securities to Subscriber, Subscriber hereby represents and warrants to the Company and Target and agrees with the Company and Target as follows:
  - 2.1.1 Subscriber has been duly formed or incorporated and is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation or formation, with

power and authority to enter into, deliver and perform its obligations under this Subscription Agreement. If Subscriber is an individual, Subscriber has the authority to enter into, deliver and perform Subscriber's obligations under this Subscription Agreement.

- 2.1.2 This Subscription Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by Subscriber. If Subscriber is an individual, the signature on this Subscription Agreement is genuine, and Subscriber has legal competence and capacity to execute the same. This Subscription Agreement constitutes a valid and binding obligation of Subscriber, enforceable against Subscriber in accordance with its terms, except as may be limited or otherwise affected by (i) bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium or other laws relating to or affecting the rights of creditors generally, and (ii) principles of equity, whether considered at law or equity.
- 2.1.3 Assuming the accuracy of the Company's representations and warranties as set forth in Section 2.2 hereof, the execution, delivery and performance by Subscriber of this Subscription Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein do not and will not (i) conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any of the property or assets of Subscriber or any of its subsidiaries pursuant to the terms of any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease, license or other agreement or instrument to which Subscriber is a party or by which Subscriber is bound or to which any of the property or assets of Subscriber is subject, which would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the business, properties, financial condition, stockholders' equity or results of operations of Subscriber and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole, or materially and adversely affect the legal authority or ability of Subscriber to comply in all material respects with the terms of this Subscription Agreement (a "Subscriber Material Adverse Effect"); (ii) if Subscriber is not an individual, result in any violation of the provisions of the organizational documents of Subscriber or any of its subsidiaries in any material respect; or (iii) result in any violation of any statute or any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any court or government or governmental, tribunal, judicial, administrative federal, state, local, or foreign or any agency, bureau, board, commission instrumentality or authority thereof, including any state's attorney general or any court or arbitrator (public or private) ("Authority"), having jurisdiction over Subscriber or any of its subsidiaries or any of their respective properties that would reasonably be expected to have a Subscriber Material Adverse Effect.
- 2.1.4 The Subscriber (i) is a "qualified institutional buyer" (as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act")) or an "accredited investor" (within the meaning of Rule 501(a) under the Securities Act), in each case, satisfying the applicable requirements set forth on Schedule A, (ii) is acquiring all of the Securities only for his, her or its own account and not for the account of others, or if the Subscriber, or the investment advisor to which Subscriber has delegated decision making authority over its investments, is subscribing for the Securities as a fiduciary or agent for one or more investment accounts, the Subscriber has full investment discretion with respect to each such account, and the full power and authority to make the

acknowledgements, representations and agreements herein on behalf of each owner of each such account, and (iii) is acquiring the Securities for investment purposes only and not with a view to, or for offer or sale in connection with, any distribution thereof in violation of the Securities Act or the laws of any jurisdiction (and shall provide the requested information set forth on Schedule A). If the Subscriber is an entity, the Subscriber is not an entity formed for the specific purpose of acquiring the Securities.

- 2.1.5 Subscriber understands and agrees that the Securities are being offered in a transaction not involving any public offering within the meaning of the Securities Act and that the Securities have not been registered under the Securities Act. Subscriber understands and agrees that the Securities may not be resold, transferred, pledged or otherwise disposed of by Subscriber absent an effective registration statement under the Securities Act with respect to the Securities except (i) to the Company or a subsidiary thereof, or (ii) pursuant to another applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act that is available and that any book entries representing the Securities shall contain a restrictive legend to such effect. Subscriber understands and agrees that the Securities will not be eligible for resale pursuant to Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act. Subscriber understands and agrees that the Securities will be subject to the foregoing transfer restrictions and, as a result of these transfer restrictions, Subscriber may not be able to readily resell the Securities and may be required to bear the financial risk of an investment in the Securities for an indefinite period of time. Subscriber understands that it has been advised to consult legal, tax and accounting counsel prior to making any offer, resale, transfer, pledge or other disposition of any of the Securities.
- 2.1.6 Subscriber understands and agrees that Subscriber is purchasing the Securities directly from the Company. Subscriber further acknowledges that there have been no representations, warranties, covenants and agreements made to Subscriber by the Company or any of its officers or directors, expressly or by implication, other than those representations, warranties, covenants and agreements included in this Subscription Agreement, and Subscriber is not relying on any representations, warranties or covenants other than those expressly set forth in this Subscription Agreement.
- 2.1.7 Subscriber represents and warrants that (i) it is not a Benefit Plan Subscriber as contemplated by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), or (ii) its acquisition and holding of the Securities will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA, Section 4975 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any applicable similar law.
- 2.1.8 In making its decision to purchase the Securities, Subscriber represents that it has relied solely upon independent investigation made by Subscriber and the representations, warranties, and covenants of the Company contained in this Subscription Agreement. Subscriber acknowledges and agrees that Subscriber has received and has had an adequate opportunity to review, such financial and other information as Subscriber deems necessary in order to make an investment decision with respect to the

Securities and made its own assessment and is satisfied concerning the relevant tax and other economic considerations relevant to Subscriber's investment in the Securities.

- 2.1.9 Subscriber became aware of this offering of the Securities solely (a) by means of direct contact from the Company, Target, or a representative of the Company or Target, or (b) directly from the Company as a result of a pre-existing, substantial relationship with the Company, and the Securities were offered to Subscriber solely by direct contact between Subscriber and either the Company or Target. Subscriber did not become aware of this offering of the Securities, nor were the Securities offered to Subscriber, by any other means. Subscriber acknowledges that the Company represents and warrants that the Securities (i) were not offered by any form of general solicitation or general advertising and (ii) are not being offered in a manner involving a public offering under, or in a distribution in violation of, the Securities Act, or any state securities laws.
- 2.1.10 Subscriber acknowledges that it is aware that there are substantial risks incident to the purchase and ownership of the Securities. Subscriber has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of an investment in the Securities, and Subscriber has sought such accounting, legal and tax advice as Subscriber has considered necessary to make an informed investment decision. Subscriber understands and acknowledges that it (i) is a sophisticated investor, experienced in investing in private equity transactions and capable of evaluating investment risks independently, both in general and with regard to all transactions and investment strategies involving a security or securities and (ii) has exercised independent judgment in evaluating its participation in the purchase of the Securities.
- 2.1.11 Subscriber represents and acknowledges that Subscriber has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters as to be capable of evaluating the merits and risks of the investment in the Securities, has analyzed and fully considered the risks of an investment in the Securities and determined that the Securities are a suitable investment for Subscriber and that Subscriber is able at this time and in the foreseeable future to bear the economic risk of a total loss of Subscriber's investment in the Company. Subscriber further acknowledges specifically that a possibility of total loss of investment exists.
- 2.1.12 Subscriber understands and agrees that no federal or state agency has passed upon or endorsed the merits of the offering of the Securities or made any findings or determination as to the fairness of this investment.
- 2.1.13 Subscriber represents and warrants that Subscriber is not (i) a person or entity named on the List of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons, the Executive Order 13599 List, the Foreign Sanctions Evaders List, or the Sectoral Sanctions Identification List, each of which is administered by the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") or in any Executive Order issued by the President of the United States and administered by OFAC ("OFAC List"), or a person or entity prohibited by any OFAC sanctions program, (ii) owned or controlled by, or acting on behalf of, a person, that is named on an OFAC List; (iii) organized,

incorporated, established, located, resident or born in, or a citizen, national, or the government, including any political subdivision, agency, or instrumentality thereof, of any country or territory embargoed or subject to substantial trade restrictions by the United States; (iv) a Designated National as defined in the Cuban Assets Control Regulations, 31 C.F.R. Part 515, or (v) a non-U.S. shell bank or providing banking services indirectly to a non-U.S. shell bank (collectively, a "Prohibited Investor"). Subscriber agrees to provide law enforcement agencies, if requested thereby, such records as required by applicable law, provided that Subscriber is permitted to do so under applicable law. Subscriber represents that if it is a financial institution subject to the Bank Secrecy Act (31 U.S.C. Section 5311 et seq.) (the "BSA"), as amended by the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001 (the "PATRIOT Act"), and its implementing regulations (collectively, the "BSA/PATRIOT Act"), that Subscriber, directly or indirectly through a third party administrator, maintains policies and procedures reasonably designed to comply with applicable obligations under the BSA/PATRIOT Act. Subscriber also represents that, to the extent required, it, directly or indirectly through a third party administrator, maintains policies and procedures reasonably designed for the screening of its investors against the OFAC sanctions programs, including the OFAC List, and to otherwise ensure compliance with OFAC-administered sanctions programs. Subscriber further represents and warrants that, to the extent required, it, directly or indirectly through a third-party administrator, maintains policies and procedures reasonably designed to ensure that the funds held by Subscriber and used to purchase the Securities were legally derived.

- 2.1.14 On the date the Purchase Price will be required to be funded pursuant to <u>Section 3.1</u>, Subscriber will have sufficient immediately available funds to pay the Purchase Price pursuant to <u>Section 3.1</u>.
- 2.1.15 Subscriber represents that no disqualifying event described in Rule 506(d)(1)(i)-(viii) under the Securities Act (a "Disqualification Event") is applicable to Subscriber or any of its Rule 506(d) Related Parties (as defined below), except, if applicable, for a Disqualification Event as to which Rule 506(d)(2)(ii) or (iii) or (d)(3) is applicable. Subscriber hereby agrees that it shall notify the Company promptly in writing in the event a Disqualification Event becomes applicable to Subscriber or any of its Rule 506(d) Related Parties, except, if applicable, for a Disqualification Event as to which Rule 506(d)(2)(ii) or (iii) or (d)(3) is applicable. For purposes of this Section 2.1.15, "Rule 506(d) Related Party" shall mean a person or entity that is a direct beneficial owner of Subscriber's securities for purposes of Rule 506(d) under the Securities Act.
- 2.1.16 No broker, finder or other financial consultant has acted on behalf of Subscriber in connection with this Subscription Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby in such a way as to create any liability on the Company.
- 2.1.17 Except as expressly disclosed in a Schedule 13D or Schedule 13G (or amendments thereto) filed by such Subscriber with the Commission with respect to the beneficial ownership of the Company's Common Stock prior to the date hereof, Subscriber is not currently (and at all times through Closing will refrain from being or becoming) a member of a "group" (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) or Section

- 14(d)(2) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or any successor provision) acting for the purpose of acquiring, holding or disposing of equity securities of the Company (within the meaning of Rule 13d-5(b)(1) under the Exchange Act).
- 2.1.18 No foreign person (as defined in 31 C.F.R. Part 800.224) in which the national or subnational governments of a single foreign state have a substantial interest (as defined in 31 C.F.R. Part 800.244) will acquire a substantial interest in the Company as a result of the purchase by such Subscriber and sale of the Securities hereunder such that a declaration to the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States would be mandatory under 31 C.F.R. Part 800.401, and no foreign person will have control (as defined in 31 C.F.R. Part 800.208) over the Company from and after the Closing as a result of the purchase by such Subscriber and sale of the Securities hereunder.
- 2.2 <u>Company's Representations, Warranties and Agreements</u>. To induce Subscriber to purchase the Securities, the Company hereby represents and warrants to Subscriber and agrees with Subscriber as follows:
  - 2.2.1 The Company has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the Delaware General Corporation Law, with the requisite corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and conduct its business as presently conducted and to enter into, deliver and perform its obligations under this Subscription Agreement.
  - 2.2.2 The Securities have been duly authorized and, when issued and delivered to Subscriber against full payment for the Securities in accordance with the terms of this Subscription Agreement, and registered with the Company's transfer agent, the Securities will be validly issued, fully paid, non-assessable and free and clear of any liens or other restrictions whatsoever (other than those arising under state or federal securities laws or as set forth herein), and will not be issued in violation of or subject to any preemptive or similar rights created under the Company's organizational documents or any agreement or other instrument to which the Company is a party or by which it is otherwise bound.
  - 2.2.3 This Subscription Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and is a valid and binding obligation of the Company, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as may be limited or otherwise affected by (i) bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium or other laws relating to or affecting the rights of creditors generally, and (ii) principles of equity, whether considered at law or equity.
  - 2.2.4 The execution, delivery and performance of this Subscription Agreement (including compliance by the Company with all of the provisions hereof), the issuance and sale of the Securities and the consummation of the certain other transactions contemplated herein will not (i) conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any of the property or assets of the Company pursuant to the terms of any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan

agreement, lease, license or other agreement or instrument to which the Company is a party or by which the Company is bound or to which any of the property or assets of the Company is subject, which would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the business, properties, assets, liabilities, operations, financial condition, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company or materially and adversely affect the validity of the Securities or the legal authority or ability of the Company to comply in all material respects with the terms of this Subscription Agreement (a "Material Adverse Effect"); (ii) result in any violation of the provisions of the organizational documents of the Company in any material respect; or (iii) result in any violation of any statute or any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any Authority having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its properties that would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- 2.2.5 Neither the Company, nor any person acting on its behalf has, directly or indirectly, made any offers or sales of any Company security or solicited any offers to buy any security, under circumstances that would adversely affect reliance by the Company on Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act for the exemption from registration for the transactions contemplated hereby or would require registration of the issuance or sale of the Securities under the Securities Act.
- 2.2.6 Neither the Company nor any person acting on its behalf has conducted any general solicitation or general advertising (as those terms are used in Regulation D under the Securities Act) in connection with the offer or sale of any of the Securities and neither the Company, nor any person acting on its behalf has offered any of the Securities in a manner involving any public offering under, or in a distribution in violation of, the Securities Act or any state securities laws.
- 2.2.7 The Company has not taken any steps to seek protection pursuant to any law or statute relating to bankruptey, insolvency, reorganization, receivership, liquidation, administration or winding up or failed to pay its debts when due, nor does the Company have any knowledge or reason to believe that any of their respective creditors intend to initiate involuntary bankruptcy proceedings or seek to commence an administration.
- 2.2.8 As of the date hereof, except as set forth in the SEC Documents (as defined below), the Transaction Agreement and any promissory notes issued by the Company's sponsor or its affiliate to the Company for working capital purposes as described in the SEC Documents ("Sponsor Loans"), and except for the public warrants issued as part of the Company's IPO and the private warrants issued concurrently with the IPO as part of a private placement, there are no outstanding options, warrants or other rights to subscribe for, purchase or acquire from the Company any Purchaser Ordinary Shares or other equity interests in the Company, or securities convertible into or exchangeable or exercisable for such equity interests. As of the date hereof, other than any subsidiary created for purposes of the Transaction, the Company has no subsidiaries and does not own, directly or indirectly, interests or investments (whether equity or debt) in any person, whether incorporated or unincorporated. There are no stockholder agreements, voting trusts or other agreements or understandings to which the Company is

Commission, together with any amendments, restatements or supplements thereto (the "SEC Documents") and (B) as contemplated by the Transaction Agreement. Except as disclosed in the SEC Documents, the Company has no outstanding indebtedness and will not have any outstanding long-term indebtedness as of immediately prior to the Closing (excluding any Sponsor Loans).

- 2.2.9 Assuming the accuracy of Subscriber's representations and warranties set forth in this Subscription Agreement, no registration under the Securities Act is required for the offer and sale of the Common Stock by the Company to Subscriber and the Common Stock is not being offered in a manner involving a public offering under, or in a distribution in violation of, the Securities Act or any state securities laws.
- 2.2.10 Except as disclosed in the SEC Documents, the Company has made all filings required to be filed by it with the Commission and, as of their respective dates, each of the SEC Documents complied in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder, and none of the SEC Documents, when filed, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided, that the Company makes no such representation or warranty with respect to any information relating to Target or any of its affiliates included in any SEC Document or filed as an exhibit thereto. Except as to the accounting relating to the Warrants, each of the financial statements of the Company included in the SEC Documents comply in all material respects with applicable accounting requirements and the rules and regulations of the Commission with respect thereto as in effect at the time of filing and fairly present in all material respects the financial position of the Company as of and for the dates thereof and the results of operations and cash flows for the periods then ended, subject, in the case of unaudited statements, to normal, year-end audit adjustments. As of the date hereof, there are no outstanding or unresolved comments in comment letters from the Staff of the Commission with respect to any of the SEC Documents.
- 2.2.11 No other subscription agreement includes a price per Security different from this subscription agreement or other terms, rights or conditions that are more advantageous (economically or otherwise) in any material respect to any such other person than Subscriber hereunder.
- 2.2.12 The Company is not, and immediately after receipt of payment for the Securities will not be, an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
- 2.2.13 As of the date of this Agreement the Company has not received any written communication from a governmental entity that alleges that the Company is not in compliance with or is in default or violation of any applicable law, except where such non-compliance, default or violation would not, individually or in the aggregate, be reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- 2.2.14 Except for such matters as have not had and would not be reasonably expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, as of the date of this Subscription Agreement, there is no (i) action, claim, inquiry, arbitration, investigation, litigation or other proceeding pending, or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened against the Company or (ii) judgment, decree, injunction, ruling or order of any governmental entity or arbitrator outstanding against the Company.
- 2.2.15 Except for discussions specifically regarding the offer and sale of the Securities, the Company confirms that neither it nor any other person acting on its behalf has provided Subscriber or its agents or counsel with any information that constitutes or could reasonably be expected to constitute material, nonpublic information concerning the Company or any of its subsidiaries, other than with respect to the Transaction and the transactions contemplated by this Subscription Agreement. Except with respect to the Transaction and the transactions contemplated by this Subscription Agreement, no event or circumstance has occurred which, under applicable law, rule or regulation, requires public disclosure at or before the date hereof or announcement by the Company but which has not been so publicly disclosed.
- 2.3 <u>Target's Representations, Warranties and Agreements.</u> To induce Subscriber to purchase the Securities, Target hereby represents and warrants to Subscriber and agrees with Subscriber as follows:
  - 2.3.1 Target has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the Delaware General Corporation Law, with the requisite corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and conduct its business as presently conducted and to enter into, deliver and perform its obligations under this Subscription Agreement.
  - 2.3.2 This Subscription Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by Target and is a valid and binding obligation of Target, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as may be limited or otherwise affected by (i) bankruptey, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium or other laws relating to or affecting the rights of creditors generally, and (ii) principles of equity, whether considered at law or equity.
  - 2.3.3 The execution, delivery and performance of this Subscription Agreement (including compliance by Target with all of the provisions hereof), the issuance and sale of the Securities and the consummation of the certain other transactions contemplated herein will not (i) conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any of the property or assets of Target pursuant to the terms of any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease, license or other agreement or instrument to which Target is a party or by which Target is bound or to which any of the property or assets of Target is subject, which would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the business, properties, assets, liabilities, operations, financial condition, stockholders' equity or results of operations of Target or materially and adversely affect the validity of the

Securities or the legal authority or ability of Target to comply in all material respects with the terms of this Subscription Agreement (a "Material Adverse Effect"); (ii) result in any violation of the provisions of the organizational documents of Target in any material respect; or (iii) result in any violation of any statute or any judgment, order, rule or regulation of any Authority having jurisdiction over Target or any of its properties that would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- 2.3.4 Neither Target, nor any person acting on its behalf has, directly or indirectly, made any offers or sales of any Company security or solicited any offers to buy any security, under circumstances that would adversely affect reliance by Target on Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act for the exemption from registration for the transactions contemplated hereby or would require registration of the issuance or sale of the Securities under the Securities Act.
- 2.3.5 Neither Target nor any person acting on its behalf has conducted any general solicitation or general advertising (as those terms are used in Regulation D under the Securities Act) in connection with the offer or sale of any of the Securities and neither Target, nor any person acting on its behalf has offered any of the Securities in a manner involving any public offering under, or in a distribution in violation of, the Securities Act or any state securities laws.
- 2.3.6 Target has not taken any steps to seek protection pursuant to any law or statute relating to bankruptey, insolvency, reorganization, receivership, liquidation, administration or winding up or failed to pay its debts when due, nor does Target have any knowledge or reason to believe that any of their respective creditors intend to initiate involuntary bankruptcy proceedings or seek to commence an administration.
- 2.3.7 Assuming the accuracy of Subscriber's representations and warranties set forth in this Subscription Agreement, no registration under the Securities Act is required for the offer and sale of common stock by Target to Subscriber and the Target common stock is not being offered in a manner involving a public offering under, or in a distribution in violation of, the Securities Act or any state securities laws.
- 2.3.8 Other than the Transaction Agreement and any other agreement expressly contemplated by the Transaction Agreement, Target has not entered into any side letter or similar agreement with any other person or any other investor in connection with such other person's or investor's investment in Target.
- 2.3.9 Target is not, and immediately after receipt of payment for the Securities will not be, an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
- 2.3.10 As of the date of this Agreement Target has not received any written communication from a governmental entity that alleges that Target is not in compliance with or is in default or violation of any applicable law, except where such non-compliance, default or violation would not, individually or in the aggregate, be reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- 2.3.11 Except for such matters as have not had and would not be reasonably expected to have, individually or in the aggregate, a Material Adverse Effect, as of the date of this Subscription Agreement, there is no (i) action, claim, inquiry, arbitration, investigation, litigation or other proceeding pending, or, to the knowledge of Target, threatened against Target or (ii) judgment, decree, injunction, ruling or order of any governmental entity or arbitrator outstanding against Target.
- 2.3.12 Except for discussions specifically regarding the offer and sale of the Securities, Target confirms that neither it nor any other person acting on its behalf has provided Subscriber or its agents or counsel with any information that constitutes or could reasonably be expected to constitute material, nonpublic information concerning Target or any of its subsidiaries, other than with respect to the Transaction and the transactions contemplated by this Subscription Agreement. Except with respect to the Transaction and the transactions contemplated by this Subscription Agreement, no event or circumstance has occurred which, under applicable law, rule or regulation, requires public disclosure at or before the date hereof or announcement by Target but which has not been so publicly disclosed.

#### Settlement Date and Delivery.

Closing. The closing of the Subscription contemplated hereby (the "Closing") is contingent upon the substantially concurrent consummation of the Transaction, as provided for by the Transaction Agreement. The Closing shall occur on the closing date of, and immediately prior to, or simultaneously with, the consummation of the Transaction. On or on the first Business Day immediately following the Closing Date, Purchaser shall pay the Purchase Price for the Securities by wire transfer of United States dollars in immediately available funds to the account nominated by the Company in advance of such payment. Not later than one (1) business day after the Purchaser's payment of the Purchase Price, the Company shall deliver to Subscriber the Securities in book entry form, in the name of Subscriber (or its nominee in accordance with its delivery instructions) or to a custodian designated by Subscriber, as applicable. In the event the Closing does not occur within three (3) business days of the Scheduled Closing Date, the Company shall promptly (but not later than two (2) business days thereafter) return the Purchase Price to Subscriber by wire transfer of U.S. dollars in immediately available funds to the account specified by the Subscriber, and any book-entries for the Securities shall be deemed repurchased and cancelled. Unless this Subscription Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 5 below, the failure of the Closing to occur on the Scheduled Closing Date shall not terminate this Subscription Agreement or otherwise relieve any party of any of its obligations hereunder. For purposes of this Subscription Agreement, "business day" means any day that, in New York, New York, is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which commercial banking institutions are generally authorized or required by law or regulation to close (excluding as a result of "stay at home", "shelter-in-place", "non-essential employee" or any other similar orders or restrictions or the closure of any physical branch locations at the direction of any governmental authority so long as the electronic funds transfer systems, including for wire transfers, of commercial banking institutions in New York, New York are generally open for use by customers on such day).

#### 3.2 Conditions to Closing.

- 3.2.1 The Closing shall be subject to the satisfaction or valid waiver by the Company, on the one hand, or Subscriber, on the other, of the conditions that, on the Closing Date:
  - (i) No suspension of the qualification of the Securities for offering or sale or trading of the Common Stock on the Nasdaq Capital Market ("Nasdaq") shall have occurred and be continuing.
  - (ii) No Authority shall have enacted, issued, promulgated, enforced or entered any law, rule, regulation, judgment, decree, executive order or award (whether temporary preliminary or permanent) which is then in effect and has the effect of making the transactions contemplated hereby illegal or otherwise prohibiting or enjoining the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.
  - (iii) All conditions precedent to the consummation of the Transaction set forth in the Transaction Agreement, as determined by the parties to the Transaction Agreement, shall have been satisfied or waived by the party entitled to the benefit thereof (other than those conditions that, by their nature, may only be satisfied at the consummation of the Transaction, but subject to satisfaction of such conditions as of the consummation of the Transaction), and the Transaction Closing shall be substantially concurrent with the Closing.
- 3.2.2 The Closing shall also be subject to the satisfaction or valid waiver by the Subscriber of the conditions that, on the Closing Date:
  - (i) The Company shall have performed, satisfied and complied in all material respects with all agreements, conditions and covenants required by this Subscription Agreement to be performed by the Company at or prior to the Closing.
  - (ii) The representations and warranties of the Company contained in this Subscription Agreement shall be true and correct in all material respects (other than representations and warranties that are qualified as to materiality or Material Adverse Effect (as defined herein), which representations and warranties shall be true in all respects) at and as of the Closing Date (except for representations and warranties made as of a specific date, which shall be true and correct in all material respects (other than representations and warranties that are qualified as to materiality or Material Adverse Effect, which representations and warranties shall be true in all respects) as of such date), and consummation of the Closing, shall constitute a reaffirmation by the Company of each of the representations, warranties and agreements of the Company contained in this Subscription Agreement as of the Closing Date.
  - (iii) No amendment, waiver or modification of the Transaction Agreement shall have occurred that would reasonably be expected to materially and adversely affect the economic benefits that Subscriber would reasonably

expect to receive under this Subscription Agreement, unless Subscriber has previously consented in writing to such amendment, waiver or modification.

- (iv) Company shall have filed with Nasdaq an application or supplemental listing application for the listing of the Securities and Nasdaq shall have raised no objection with respect thereto, subject to official notice of issuance.
- (v) From and after the date hereof, there shall have not occurred a Material Adverse Effect which is continuing and uncured.
- 3.2.3 The Closing shall also be subject to the satisfaction or valid waiver by the Company of the conditions that, on the Closing Date:
  - (i) Subscriber shall have performed, satisfied and complied in all material respects with all agreements, conditions and covenants required by this Subscription Agreement to be performed by Subscriber at or prior to the Closing.
  - (ii) All representations and warranties of Subscriber contained in this Subscription Agreement shall be true and correct in all material respects (other than representations and warranties that are qualified as to materiality or Subscriber Material Adverse Effect, which representations and warranties shall be true in all respects) at and as of the Closing Date (except for representations and warranties made as of a specific date, which shall be true and correct in all material respects (other than representations and warranties that are qualified as to materiality or Subscriber Material Adverse Effect, which representations and warranties shall be true in all respects) as of such date), and consummation of the Closing, shall constitute a reaffirmation by the Subscriber of each of the representations, warranties and agreements of the Subscriber contained in this Subscription Agreement as of the Closing Date.

#### Transfer Restrictions.

- 4.1 After the Closing, the Securities may only be resold, transferred, pledged or otherwise disposed of in compliance with state and federal securities laws and pursuant to an effective registration statement, Rule 144 under the Securities Act ("Rule 144") or pursuant to another applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, to the Company or to an affiliate of Subscriber. As a condition of transfer (other than pursuant to an effective registration statement pursuant to Rule 144 or pursuant to another applicable exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act), any such transferee shall agree in writing to be bound by the terms of this Subscription Agreement and shall have the rights and obligations of Subscriber under this Agreement.
- 4.2 The Company acknowledges that the Securities may be pledged by Subscriber in connection with a bona fide margin agreement, provided that such pledge shall be pursuant to an available exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act or pursuant to, and in accordance with, a registration statement that is effective under the Securities Act at the time of such pledge, and Subscriber effecting a pledge of the Securities shall not be required to

provide the Company with any notice thereof; provided, however, that neither the Company nor its counsel shall be required to take any action (or refrain from taking any action) in connection with any such pledge, other than providing any such lender of such margin agreement with an acknowledgment that the Securities are not subject to any contractual lock up or prohibition on pledging, the form of such acknowledgment to be subject to review and comment by the Company in all respects.

- 4.3 Subject to applicable requirements of the Securities Act and the interpretations of the Commission thereunder and any requirements of the Company's transfer agent, the Company shall use commercially reasonable efforts to ensure that instruments, whether certificated or uncertificated, evidencing the Securities shall not contain any legend (including the legend set forth in Section 4.4 below) (i) following any sale of such Securities pursuant to Rule 144, (ii) if such Securities are eligible for sale under Rule 144 without the requirement for the Company to be in compliance with the current public information required under Rule 144 and without volume or manner-of-sale restrictions, and in each case, Subscriber provides the Company with an undertaking to effect any sales or other transfers in accordance with the Securities Act, or (iii) if such legend is not required under applicable requirements of the Securities Act (including judicial interpretations and pronouncements issued by the staff of the Commission).
- 4.4 Subscriber agrees to the imprinting, so long as is required by this <u>Section 4</u>, of a legend on any of the Securities in the following form:

THIS SECURITY HAS NOT BEEN REGISTERED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR THE SECURITIES COMMISSION OF ANY STATE IN RELIANCE UPON AN EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), AND, ACCORDINGLY, MAY NOT BE OFFERED OR SOLD EXCEPT PURSUANT TO AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OR PURSUANT TO AN AVAILABLE EXEMPTION FROM, OR IN A TRANSACTION NOT SUBJECT TO, THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS.

4.5 Subscriber hereby acknowledges and agrees that it will not, and will cause each person acting at Subscriber's direction or pursuant to any understanding with Subscriber to not, directly or indirectly offer, sell, pledge, contract to sell or sell any option to purchase, or engage in hedging activities or execute any "short sales" as defined in Rule 200 of Regulation SHO under the Exchange Act, in each case that result in Subscriber having a net short cash position in respect of the Securities until the Closing (or such earlier termination of this Subscription Agreement in accordance with its terms). For the avoidance of doubt, nothing contained herein shall prohibit Subscriber from (i) any purchase of securities by Subscriber, its controlled affiliates in an open market transaction after the execution of this Subscription Agreement, or (ii) any sale (including the exercise of any redemption right) of securities of the Company (A) held by Subscriber, its controlled affiliates or any person or entity acting on behalf of Subscriber or any of its controlled affiliates or any person or entity acting on behalf of Subscriber or any of its controlled affiliates or any person or entity acting on behalf of Subscriber or any of its controlled affiliates in an open market transaction after the execution of this

Subscription Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) nothing herein shall prohibit other entities under common management with Subscriber that have no knowledge of this Subscription Agreement or of Subscriber's participation in the Transaction (including Subscriber's controlled affiliates and/or affiliates) from entering into any "short sales" as defined in Rule 200 of Regulation SHO under the Exchange Act and (ii) in the case of a Subscriber that is a multi-managed investment vehicle whereby separate portfolio managers manage separate portions of such Subscriber's assets and the portfolio managers have no knowledge of the investment decisions made by the portfolio managers managing other portions of such Subscriber's assets, the representation set forth above shall only apply with respect to the portion of assets managed by the portfolio manager that made the investment decision to purchase the Securities covered by this Subscription Agreement.

- 4.6 The Company will use its commercially reasonable efforts to make all Securities eligible on the Direct Registration System of the Depository Trust Company so that Subscriber can move shares to respective prime broker accounts and sell without restriction.
- Termination. Except for the provisions of Sections 5, 7, 8 and 9 and the provisions of this Agreement providing for the return of funds previously delivered in the event the Closing does not occur, all of which shall survive any termination hereunder, this Subscription Agreement shall terminate and be void and of no further force and effect, and all rights and obligations of the parties hereunder shall terminate without any further liability on the part of any party in respect thereof, upon the earliest to occur of (i) such date and time as the Transaction Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms, (ii) upon the mutual written agreement of each of the parties hereto to terminate this Subscription Agreement, (iii) at the election of the Subscriber, if the Closing shall not have occurred on or before the Outside Date (as defined in the Transaction Agreement), or (iv) if any of the conditions to Closing set forth in Section 3.2 are not satisfied on or prior to the Closing Date and, as a result thereof, the transactions contemplated by this Subscription Agreement are not consummated at the Closing; provided, that, subject to the limitations set forth in Section 8, nothing herein will relieve any party from liability for any willful breach hereof prior to the time of termination, and each party will be entitled to any remedies at law or in equity to recover losses, liabilities or damages arising from such breach. The Company shall notify Subscriber of the termination of the Transaction Agreement promptly after the termination of such agreement. Upon the termination hereof in accordance with this Section 5, any monies paid by Subscriber to the Company in connection herewith shall promptly (and in any event within two (2) Business Days) be returned in full to Subscriber by wire transfer of U.S. dollars in immediately available funds to the account specified by Subscriber.

### Miscellaneous.

- 6.1 <u>Further Assurances</u>. At the Closing, the parties hereto shall execute and deliver such additional documents and take such additional actions as the parties reasonably may deem to be practical and necessary in order to consummate the Subscription as contemplated by this Subscription Agreement.
  - 6.1.1 Subscriber acknowledges that the Company, Target and others will rely on the acknowledgments, understandings, agreements, representations and warranties

contained in this Subscription Agreement. Subscriber agrees to promptly notify the Company and Target if any of the acknowledgments, understandings, agreements, representations and warranties made by Subscriber set forth herein are no longer accurate in all material respects.

- 6.1.2 Each of the Company, Target and Subscriber is entitled to rely upon this Subscription Agreement and is irrevocably authorized to produce this Subscription Agreement or a copy hereof to any interested party in any administrative or legal proceeding or official inquiry with respect to the matters covered hereby, in each case, to the extent required by applicable law.
- 6.1.3 The Company may request from Subscriber such additional information as the Company may deem reasonably necessary to evaluate the eligibility of Subscriber to acquire the Securities, and Subscriber shall use reasonable best efforts to promptly provide such information as may be reasonably requested, to the extent readily available and to the extent consistent with its internal policies and procedures, *provided* that the Company agrees to keep confidential any such information provided by Subscriber.
- 6.2 <u>Notices</u>. Any notice or communication required or permitted hereunder shall be in writing and either delivered personally, emailed or sent by overnight mail via a reputable overnight carrier, or sent by certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, and shall be deemed to be given and received (a) when so delivered personally, (b) when sent, with affirmative confirmation of receipt, if sent by email, (c) one (1) business day after being sent, if sent by reputable, internationally recognized overnight courier service or (d) three (3) business days after the date of mailing by registered or certified mail (prepaid and return receipt requested), in any case, to the address below or to such other address or addresses as such person may hereafter designate by notice given hereunder:
  - if to Subscriber, to such address or addresses set forth on the signature page hereto;
    - (ii) if to the Company (prior to the Closing), to:

[Company] [Address] Attn: Telephone No.: E-mail:

with a required copy to (which copy shall not constitute notice):

Attention: E-mail:

(iii) if to Target, to:

	[Target] [Address] Attn: Telephone No.: E-mail:
	with a required copy to (which copy shall not constitute notice):
	Attn: Facsimile No.: Telephone No.: E-mail:
(iv)	if to the Company (following the Closing), to:  [Target} [Address] Attn: Telephone No.: E-mail:
	with a required copy to (which copy shall not constitute notice):  [Target} [Address] Attn: Telephone No.: E-mail:

- 6.3 Entire Agreement. This Subscription Agreement constitutes the entire agreement, and supersedes all other prior agreements, understandings, representations and warranties, both written and oral, among the parties, with respect to the subject matter hereof (other than any confidentiality agreement entered into by the Company and Subscriber in connection with the Offering).
- 6.4 <u>Modifications and Amendments</u>. This Subscription Agreement may not be modified, waived or terminated except by an instrument in writing, signed by the parties hereto.
- 6.5 <u>Waivers and Consents</u>. The terms and provisions of this Subscription Agreement may be waived, or consent for the departure therefrom granted, only by a written document executed by the party against whom enforcement of such waiver or consent is sought. No such

waiver or consent shall be deemed to be or shall constitute a waiver or consent with respect to any other terms or provisions of this Subscription Agreement, whether or not similar. Each such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which it was given, and shall not constitute a continuing waiver or consent. No failure or delay by a party hereto in exercising any right, power or remedy under this Subscription Agreement, and no course of dealing between the parties hereto, shall operate as a waiver of any such right, power or remedy of such party. No single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy under this Subscription Agreement by a party hereto, nor any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce any such right, power or remedy, shall preclude such party from any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy hereunder. The election of any remedy by a party hereto shall not constitute a waiver of the right of such party to pursue other available remedies. No notice to or demand on a party not expressly required under this Subscription Agreement shall entitle the party receiving such notice or demand to any other or further notice or demand in similar or other circumstances or constitute a waiver of the rights of the party giving such notice or demand to any other or further action in any circumstances without such notice or demand.

- 6.6 <u>Assignment</u>. Neither this Subscription Agreement nor any rights, interests or obligations that may accrue to the Subscriber hereunder (other than the Securities acquired hereunder by Subscriber, if any, after the Closing and Subscriber's rights under Section 5 above) may be transferred or assigned without the prior written consent of the Company, and any purported transfer or assignment without such consent shall be null and void ab initio; provided, however, Subscriber may transfer or assign its rights, interests and obligations hereunder to a controlled affiliate of Subscriber or another investment fund or account managed or advised by the same manager as Subscriber (or a related party or affiliate) that can satisfy the requirements of Section 2.1.4 and the other representations and warranties in Section 2.1, provided, further, that no such transfer or assignment without the prior express written consent of the Company shall release Subscriber of its obligations hereunder and such transferee(s) or assignee(s), as applicable, agrees in writing to be bound by the terms hereof as if it were the original Subscriber party hereto.
- 6.7 <u>Benefit.</u> Except as otherwise provided herein, this Subscription Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, legal representatives, and permitted assigns, and the agreements, representations, warranties, covenants and acknowledgments contained herein shall be deemed to be made by, and be binding upon, such heirs, executors, administrators, successors, legal representatives and permitted assigns. Except as expressly provided for herein, this Subscription Agreement shall not confer rights or remedies upon any person other than the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 6.8 Governing Law. This Subscription Agreement, and any claim or cause of action hereunder based upon, arising out of or related to this Subscription Agreement (whether based on law, in equity, in contract, in tort or any other theory) or the negotiation, execution, performance or enforcement of this Subscription Agreement, shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, without giving effect to the principles of conflicts of law thereof.

- Consent to Jurisdiction; Waiver of Jury Trial. The parties hereto agree to submit any matter or dispute resulting from or arising out of the execution, performance, interpretation, breach or termination of this Agreement to the exclusive jurisdiction of federal or state courts within the County of New York, State of New York (and any appellate courts thereof) (the "Specified Courts"). Each of the parties agrees that service of any process, summons, notice or document in the manner set forth in Section 6.2 hereof or in such other manner as may be permitted by applicable law, shall be effective service of process for any proceeding with respect to any matters to which it has submitted to jurisdiction in this Section 6.9. Each of the parties hereto irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that it is subject to, and hereby submits to, the personal jurisdiction of the Specified Courts for any action, suit or proceeding arising out of this Subscription Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereunder and waives any objection to the laying of venue in the Specified Courts (the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, or the applicable New York state courts if the federal jurisdictional standards are not satisfied), and hereby further irrevocably and unconditionally waives and agrees not to plead or claim in any such court that any such action, suit or proceeding brought in any such court has been brought in an inconvenient forum. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, EACH OF THE PARTIES HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ITS RIGHTS TO A TRIAL BY JURY.
- 6.10 Non-Reliance and Exculpation. Subscriber acknowledges that it is not relying upon, and has not relied upon, any statement, representation or warranty made by any person other than the statements, representations and warranties of the Company expressly contained in Section 2.2 of this Subscription Agreement, in making its investment or decision to invest in the Company.
- 6.11 Severability. If any provision of this Subscription Agreement shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Subscription Agreement shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and shall continue in full force and effect. Upon such determination that any provision is invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the parties will substitute for any invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision a suitable and equitable provision that carries out so far as may be valid, legal and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision.
- 6.12 <u>Survival of Representations and Warranties</u>. All representations and warranties made by the parties hereto in this Subscription Agreement or in any other agreement, certificate or instrument provided for or contemplated hereby, shall survive the Closing until the expiration of any statute of limitations under applicable law.
- 6.13 <u>Expenses</u>. The Subscriber shall pay all of its own expenses in connection with this Subscription Agreement and the transactions contemplated herein.
- 6.14 <u>Headings and Captions</u>. The headings and captions of the various subdivisions of this Subscription Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall in no way modify or affect the meaning or construction of any of the terms or provisions hereof.
- 6.15 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Subscription Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts (including by facsimile or electronic mail or in .pdf), all of which when taken

together shall be considered one and the same agreement and shall become effective when counterparts have been signed by each party and delivered to the other party, it being understood that both parties need not sign the same counterpart. In the event that any signature is delivered by facsimile transmission or any other form of electronic delivery, such signature shall create a valid and binding obligation of the party executing (or on whose behalf such signature is executed) with the same force and effect as if such signature page were an original thereof.

6.16 Construction. The words "include," "includes," and "including" will be deemed to be followed by "without limitation." Pronouns in masculine, feminine, and neuter genders will be construed to include any other gender, and words in the singular form will be construed to include the plural and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires. The words "this Subscription Agreement," "herein," "hereof," "hereby," "hereunder," and words of similar import refer to this Subscription Agreement as a whole and not to any particular subdivision unless expressly so limited. The parties hereto intend that each representation, warranty, and covenant contained herein will have independent significance. If any party hereto has breached any representation, warranty, or covenant contained herein in any respect, the fact that there exists another representation, warranty or covenant relating to the same subject matter (regardless of the relative levels of specificity) which such party hereto has not breached will not detract from or mitigate the fact that such party hereto is in breach of the first representation, warranty, or covenant. All references in this Subscription Agreement to numbers of shares, per share amounts and purchase prices shall be appropriately adjusted to reflect any stock split, stock dividend, stock combination, recapitalization or the like occurring after the date hereof. As used in this Subscription Agreement, the term: (x) "person" shall refer to any individual, corporation, partnership, trust, limited liability company or other entity or association, including any governmental or regulatory body, whether acting in an individual, fiduciary or any other capacity; and (y) "affiliate" shall mean, with respect to any specified person, any other person or group of persons acting together that, directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries controls, is controlled by or is under common control with such specified person (where the term "control" (and any correlative terms) means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract or otherwise).

6.17 <u>Mutual Drafting</u>. This Subscription Agreement is the joint product of Subscriber and the Company and each provision hereof has been subject to the mutual consultation, negotiation and agreement of such parties and shall not be construed for or against any party hereto.

# 6.18 Remedies.

6.18.1 The parties agree that the irreparable damage would occur if this Subscription Agreement was not performed in accordance with its specific terms or was otherwise breached and that money damages or other legal remedies would not be an adequate remedy for any such damage. It is accordingly agreed that the parties hereto shall be entitled to seek equitable relief, including in the form of an injunction or injunctions, to prevent breaches or threatened breaches of this Subscription Agreement and to seek enforcement specifically the terms and provisions of this Subscription Agreement in an appropriate court of competent jurisdiction as set forth in Section 7.9,

this being in addition to any other remedy to which any party is entitled at law or in equity, including money damages. The right to specific enforcement shall include the right of the parties hereto to cause to cause the other parties hereto to cause the transactions contemplated hereby to be consummated on the terms and subject to the conditions and limitations set forth in this Subscription Agreement. The parties hereto further agree (i) to waive any requirement for the security or posting of any bond in connection with any such equitable remedy, (ii) not to assert that a remedy of specific enforcement pursuant to this Section 6.18 is unenforceable, invalid, contrary to applicable law or inequitable for any reason and (iii) to waive any defenses in any action for specific performance, including the defense that a remedy at law would be adequate.

6.18.2 The parties acknowledge and agree that this Section 6.18 is an integral part of the transactions contemplated hereby and without that right, the parties hereto would not have entered into this Subscription Agreement.

6.18.3 In any dispute arising out of or related to this Subscription Agreement, or any other agreement, document, instrument or certificate contemplated hereby, or any transactions contemplated hereby or thereby, the applicable adjudicating body shall award to the prevailing party, if any, the documented and out-of-pocket costs and external attorneys' fees reasonably incurred by the prevailing party in connection with the dispute and the enforcement of its rights under this Subscription Agreement or any other agreement, document, instrument or certificate contemplated hereby and, if the adjudicating body determines a party to be the prevailing party under circumstances where the prevailing party won on some but not all of the claims and counterclaims, the adjudicating body may award the prevailing party an appropriate percentage of the documented out-of-pocket costs and external attorneys' fees reasonably incurred by the prevailing party in connection with the adjudication and the enforcement of its rights under this Subscription Agreement or any other agreement, document, instrument or certificate contemplated hereby or thereby.

#### Disclosure.

- 7.1 The Company shall, by 5:30 p.m., New York City time, on the first (1st) business day immediately following the date of this Subscription Agreement file a Current Report on Form 8-K with the Commission (the time of such filing, "Disclosure Time") disclosing and describing all material terms of the transactions contemplated hereby and the Merger, and a form of this Subscription Agreement will be filed with the Commission as an exhibit thereto. From and after the Disclosure Time, the Company represents to Subscriber that it shall have publicly disclosed all material, non-public information delivered to Subscriber by the Company, Target or any of their officers, directors, employees or agents in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Subscription Agreement and the Transaction Agreement, and Subscriber shall no longer be subject to any confidentiality or similar obligations under any current agreement, whether written or oral with Company or any of their affiliates, relating to the transactions contemplated by this Subscription Agreement.
- 7.2 Notwithstanding anything in this Subscription Agreement to the contrary, the Company shall not publicly disclose the name of Subscriber or any of its affiliates, or include the

name of Subscriber or any of its affiliates in any press release or in any filing with the Commission or any regulatory agency or trading market, without the prior written consent of Subscriber, except (i) as required by the federal securities law in connection with the Registration Statement, and (ii) to the extent such disclosure is required by law, at the request of the Staff of the Commission or regulatory agency or under the regulations of Nasdaq, in which case the Company shall provide Subscriber with prior written notice of such disclosure, and shall reasonably consult with the Subscriber regarding such disclosure.

Trust Account Waiver. Subscriber acknowledges that the Company is a blank check company with the powers and privileges to effect a merger, asset acquisition, reorganization or similar business combination involving the Company and one or more businesses or assets. Subscriber further acknowledges that, as described in the Prospectus available at www.sec.gov, substantially all of the Company's assets consist of the cash proceeds of Company's initial public offering (including overallotment securities sold by the Company's underwriter thereafter) and private placements of its securities, and substantially all of those proceeds have been deposited in a trust account (the "Trust Account") for the benefit of Company, its public shareholders and the underwriters of Company's initial public offering. Except with respect to interest earned on the funds held in the Trust Account that may be released to Company to pay its tax obligations, if any, the cash in the Trust Account may be disbursed only for the purposes set forth in the Prospectus. For and in consideration of the Company entering into this Subscription Agreement, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Subscriber, on behalf of itself and its representatives, hereby irrevocably waives any and all right, title and interest, or any claim of any kind they now have or may have in the future, in or to any monies held in the Trust Account or distributions therefrom to the Company's public stockholders, and agrees not to seek recourse against the Trust Account for any claims in connection with, as a result of, or arising out of, this Subscription Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby; provided, however, that nothing in this Section 9 (x) shall serve to limit or prohibit Subscriber's right to pursue a claim against Company for legal relief against assets held outside the Trust Account (other than distributions to the Company's public stockholders), for specific performance or other equitable relief, (y) shall serve to limit or prohibit any claims that Subscriber may have in the future against Company's assets or funds that are not held in the Trust Account (including any funds that have been released from the Trust Account (other than distributions to the Company's public stockholders) and any assets that have been purchased or acquired with any such funds) or (z) shall be deemed to limit any Subscriber's right, title, interest or claim to the Trust Account by virtue of such Subscriber's record or beneficial ownership of securities of the Company acquired by any means other than pursuant to this Subscription Agreement, including but not limited to any redemption right with respect to any such securities of the Company.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the Company and Subscriber has executed or caused this Subscription Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized representative as of the date first set forth above.

# AESTHER HEALTHCARE ACQUISITION CORP.

By:

Name: Suren Ajjarapu

Title: Chief Executive Officer

OCEAN BIOMEDICAL, INC.

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Name: Chirinjeev Kathuria Title: Executive Chairman