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# **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM S-4 **REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# **Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation**

Additional Registrants Listed on Schedule A Hereto (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

1600 (Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number) 2122 York Road

20-5336063 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Oak Brook, IL 60523 (630) 574-3000 (Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

**Bruce J. Biemeck** 

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2122 York Road

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale of the securities to the public:

The exchange will occur as soon as practicable after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

If the securities being registered on this form are being offered in connection with the formation of a holding company and there is compliance with General Instruction G, check the following box: If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.  $\Box$ 

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.  $\Box$ 

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one): accolorated filor Accolorated filer

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Non-Accelerated filer 🛛 (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)			Smaller reporting Company		
CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE					
Amount         Proposed Maximum         Amount of           Title of Each Class of         to be         Aggregate Offering         Registration           Securities to be Registered         Registered         Price(1)         Fee					

\$250,000,000 \$29,025.00 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 \$250,000,000 Guarantees of 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 \$250,000,000 (2)(1)

Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee in accordance with Rule 457(o) promulgated under the Securities Act.

(2)Pursuant to Rule 457(n), no additional registration fee is payable with respect to the guarantees.

The registrant hereby amends this Registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 or until this Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

Schedule A

Exact Name of <u>Additional Registrants</u>	Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Formation	Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number	I.R.S. Employer Identification Number
Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC	Delaware	1600	20-1354414
Dawson Marine Services Company	Delaware	1600	36-3503893
Great Lakes Caribbean Dredging, Inc.	Delaware	1600	36-4347352
NASDI Holdings Corporation	Delaware	1600	04-2598486
Fifty-Three Dredging Corporation	New Jersey	1600	36-3177787
NASDI, LLC	Delaware	1600	38-3779500

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. The prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

Subject to completion, dated July 21, 2011

### Prospectus



# **GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK CORPORATION**

### Exchange Offer For 7.375% Senior Notes Due 2019

We hereby offer, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this prospectus and the accompanying letter of transmittal (which together constitute the "exchange offer"), to exchange up to \$250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of our 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019, and the guarantees thereof, which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, which we refer to as the exchange notes, for an equal aggregate principal amount of our currently outstanding 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019, and the guarantees thereof, that were issued on January 28, 2011, which we refer to as the old notes. We refer to the old notes and the exchange notes collectively as the notes.

# THE EXCHANGE OFFER AND WITHDRAWAL RIGHTS WILL EXPIRE AT 5:00 P.M., NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON , 2011, UNLESS EXTENDED.

The material terms of the exchange offer are summarized below and are more fully described in this prospectus.

### **Material Terms of the Exchange Offer**

- The terms of the exchange notes are substantially identical to those of the old notes except that the exchange notes are registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the transfer restrictions, registration rights and rights to special interest applicable to the old notes do not apply to the exchange notes.
- We will exchange all old notes that are validly tendered and not withdrawn prior to the expiration of the exchange offer.
- You may withdraw tenders of old notes at any time prior to the expiration of the exchange offer.
- We will not receive any proceeds from the exchange offer.
- The exchange of notes should not be a taxable event for U.S. federal income tax purposes.
- There is no public market for the exchange notes. We have not applied, and do not intend to apply, for listing of the exchange notes on any national securities exchange or automated quotation system.

# For a discussion of the specific risks that you should consider before tendering your outstanding old notes in the exchange offer, see "Risk Factors" beginning on page 8 of this prospectus.

There is no established trading market for the old notes or the exchange notes.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of the exchange notes or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is , 2011.

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Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such exchange notes. This prospectus, as amended or supplemented, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of exchange notes received in exchange for old notes that were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making or other trading activities. We have agreed that for a period of 180 days after the expiration of the exchange offer, we will make this prospectus available to any broker-dealer for use in connection with any such resales. See "Plan of Distribution."

We have not authorized any person to give you any information or to make any representations about the exchange offer other than those contained in this prospectus. We take no responsibility for, and can provide no assurance as to the reliability of, any other information or representations that others may give you. This prospectus is not an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities other than the securities to which it relates. In addition, this prospectus is not an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy those securities in any jurisdiction in which the offer or solicitation is not authorized, or in which the person making the offer or solicitation is not qualified to do so, or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make an offer or solicitation. The delivery of this prospectus and any exchange made under this prospectus do not, under any circumstances, mean that there has not been any change in the affairs of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation or its subsidiaries since the date of this prospectus or that information contained in this prospectus is correct as of any time subsequent to its date.

### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). We have also filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-4, which you can access on the SEC's Internet site at http://www.sec.gov, to register the exchange notes. This prospectus, which forms part of the registration statement, does not contain all of the information included in that registration statement. For further information about us and the exchange notes offered in this prospectus, you should refer to the registration statement and its exhibits. You may read and copy any materials we file with the SEC at the Public Reference Room of the SEC at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for more information about the operation of the Public Reference Room. The SEC also maintains an Internet site at http://www.sec.gov that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC. You may also obtain certain of these documents on our Internet site at http://www.gldd.com. Our web site and the information contained on that site, or connected to that site, are not incorporated into and are not a part of this prospectus.

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You can obtain any of the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus from the SEC's web site at the address described above. You may also request a copy of these filings, at no cost, by writing or telephoning to the address and telephone set forth below. We will provide, without charge, upon written or oral request, copies of any or all of the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus (excluding exhibits to such documents unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference therein). You should direct requests for documents to: Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, 2122 York Road, Oak Brook, Illinois 60523, Attn: Chief Legal Officer, telephone number (630) 574-3000.

# In order to obtain timely delivery of any copies of filings requested, please write or call us no later than , 2011, which is five business days before the expiration date of the exchange offer.

### CAUTIONARY DISCLOSURE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements in this prospectus may constitute "forward-looking" statements as defined in Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, referred to in this prospectus as the "Securities Act," Section 21E of the Exchange Act, the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, referred to in this prospectus as the "PSLRA," or in releases made by the Commission, all as may be amended from time to time. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other important factors that could cause our actual results, performance or achievements and/or of our subsidiaries, or industry results, to differ materially from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Statements that are not historical fact are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements can be identified by, among other things, the use of forward-looking language, such as the words "plan," "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "intend," "estimate," "project," "may," "would," "could," "should," "seeks," or "scheduled to," or other similar words, or the negative of these terms or other variations of these terms or comparable language, or by discussion of strategy or intentions. These cautionary statements are being made pursuant to the Securities Act, the Exchange Act and the PSLRA with the intention of obtaining the benefits of the "safe harbor" provisions of such laws. We caution investors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those forward-looking statements with respect to us and our business, include, but are not limited to, risks and uncertainties that are described under the heading "Risk Factors" beginning on page 8 and in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, in our quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and in our other securities filings with the SEC.

Although we believe that our plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by such forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ materially from a projection or assumption in any forward-looking statements. Our future financial condition and results of operations, as well as any forward-looking statements, are subject to change and inherent risks and uncertainties. The forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus are made only as of the date hereof and we do not have or undertake any obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, subsequent events or otherwise, unless otherwise required by law.

### MARKET AND INDUSTRY DATA

This prospectus contains statistical data that we obtained from public industry publications. These publications generally indicate that they have obtained their information from sources believed to be reliable, but do not guarantee the accuracy and completeness of their information. Although we believe that the publications are reliable, we and the initial purchasers have not independently verified market industry data provided by third parties, and we and the initial purchasers take no further responsibility for this data. Similarly, while we believe our management's estimates with respect to our industry are reliable, our estimates have not been verified by any independent sources, and we and the initial purchasers cannot assure you that they are accurate.

### PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

In this prospectus, the words "Great Lakes," "we," "us," "our," and "the Company" refer to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, the issuer of the exchange notes, and its subsidiaries. The following summary contains basic information about the Company and this exchange offer. It is not complete and may not contain all the information that may be important to you. You should carefully read the entire prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference, before making an investment decision, especially the information presented under the heading "Risk Factors," our financial statements, the notes to those financial statements and the other financial information, included elsewhere in this prospectus.

### **Our Company**

We are the largest provider of dredging services in the United States and the only U.S. dredging service provider with significant international operations. Dredging generally involves the enhancement or preservation of navigability of waterways or the protection of shorelines through the removal or replenishment of soil, sand or rock. We now provide dredging services in the East, West and Gulf Coasts of the United States and worldwide. We also own NASDI, LLC, a demolition services provider located in the Boston, Massachusetts area. On December 31, 2010 we acquired substantially all the assets of L.W. Matteson, Inc., a maintenance and environmental dredging and levee construction company located in Burlington, Iowa. The Matteson acquisition expands our service offering into inland, river, lakes and environmental dredging and levee construction using dredged material.

### **Corporate Information**

Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation is a holding company that conducts substantially all of its domestic dredging operations through Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC and its demolition operations through NASDI, LLC and Yankee Environmental Services, LLC. All of our international operations are conducted through direct and indirect wholly-owned subsidiaries. Our principal executive offices are located at 2122 York Road, Oak Brook, IL 60523 and our telephone number at that address is (630) 574-3000. Our principal website is located at http://www.gldd.com. The information on our website is not part of this prospectus.

### The Exchange Offer

On January 28, 2011, we sold, through a private placement exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, \$250,000,000 of our 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019, all of which are eligible to be exchanged for exchange notes. We refer to these notes as "old notes" in this prospectus.

Simultaneously with the private placement, we entered into a registration rights agreement with the initial purchasers of the old notes (the "Registration Rights Agreement,"). Under the Registration Rights Agreement, we are required to use our reasonable best efforts to cause a registration statement for substantially identical notes, which will be issued in exchange for the old notes, to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and to complete the exchange offer within 365 days after the issue date of the old notes. We refer to the notes to be registered under this exchange offer registration statement as "exchange notes" and collectively with the old notes, we refer to them as the "notes" in this prospectus. You may exchange your old notes for exchange notes in this exchange offer. You should read the discussion under the headings "—Summary of Exchange Offer," "Exchange Offer" and "Description of Exchange Notes" for further information regarding the exchange notes.

Original Notes	\$250,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019.	
Exchange Notes	\$250,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019, the issuance of which will be registered under the Securities Act.	
Exchange Offer	We are offering to exchange the old notes for a like principal amount at maturity of the exchange notes. Old notes may be exchanged only in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral principal multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The exchange offer is being made pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement which grants the initial purchasers and any subsequent holders of the old notes certain exchange and registration rights. This exchange offer is intended to satisfy those exchange and registration rights with respect to the old notes. After the exchange offer is complete, you will no longer be entitled to any exchange or registration rights with respect to your old notes.	
Expiration Date; Withdrawal of Tender	The exchange offer will expire 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on , 2011, or a later time if we choose to extend this exchange offer in our sole and absolute discretion. You may withdraw your tender of old notes at any time prior to the expiration date. All outstanding old notes that are validly tendered and not validly withdrawn will be exchanged. Any old notes not accepted by us for exchange for any reason will be returned to you at our expense as promptly as possible after the expiration or termination of the exchange offer.	
Accrued Interest on the Exchange Notes and the Old Notes	Id The exchange notes will bear interest from August 1, 2011. Holders of old notes that are accepted for exchange will be deemed to have waived the right to receive any payment in respect of interest	

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on such old notes accrued to the date of issuance of the exchange notes.

Conditions on the Exchange Offer	Our obligation to accept for exchange, or to issue the exchange notes in exchange for, any old notes is subject to certain customary conditions, including our determination that the exchange offer does not violate any law, statute, rule, regulation or interpretation by the Staff of the SEC or any regulatory authority or other foreign, federal, state or local government agency or court of competent jurisdiction, some of which may be waived by us. We currently expect that each of the conditions will be satisfied and that no waivers will be necessary. See "Exchange Offer—Conditions on the Exchange Offer."		
Procedures for Tendering Old Notes held in the Form of Book-Entry Interests	The old notes were issued as global securities and were deposited upon issuance with Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as custodian for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC").		
	Beneficial interests in the outstanding old notes, which are held by direct or indirect participants in DTC, are shown on, and transfers of the old notes can only be made through, records maintained in book-entry form by DTC.		
	You may tender your outstanding old notes by instructing your broker or bank where you keep the old notes to tender them for you. In some cases you may be asked to submit the letter of transmittal that may accompany this prospectus. By tendering your old notes you will be deemed to have acknowledged and agreed to be bound by the terms set forth under "Exchange Offer." Your outstanding old notes must be tendered in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.		
	In order for your tender to be considered valid, the exchange agent must receive a confirmation of book-entry transfer of your outstanding old notes into the exchange agent's account at DTC, under the procedure described in this prospectus under the heading "Exchange Offer," on or before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date of the exchange offer.		
United States Federal Income Tax Considerations	The exchange offer should not result in any income, gain or loss to the holders of old notes or to us for United States federal income tax purposes. See "Certain United States Federal Income Tax Considerations."		
Use of Proceeds	We will not receive any proceeds from the issuance of the exchange notes in the exchange offer.		
Exchange Agent	Wells Fargo Bank, National Association is serving as the exchange agent for the exchange offer.		
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### **Consequences of Not Exchanging Old Notes**

If you do not exchange your old notes in the exchange offer, your old notes will continue to be subject to the restrictions on transfer currently applicable to the old notes. In general, you may offer or sell your old notes only:

- if they are registered under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws;
- if they are offered or sold under an exemption from registration under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws; or
- if they are offered or sold in a transaction not subject to the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws.

We do not currently intend to register the old notes under the Securities Act. Under some circumstances, however, holders of the old notes, including holders who are not permitted to participate in the exchange offer or who may not freely resell exchange notes received in the exchange offer, may require us to file, and to cause to become effective, a shelf registration statement covering resales of old notes by these holders. For more information regarding the consequences of not tendering your old notes and our obligation to file a shelf registration statement, see "Exchange Offer—Consequences of Failure to Exchange" and "Exchange Offer—Shelf Registration."

Terms of the Exchange Notes				
Issuer	Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, a Delaware corporation.			
Notes Offered	\$250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 7.375% senior notes due 2019.			
Maturity Date	The exchange notes will mature on February 1, 2019.			
Interest	Interest on the exchange notes will accrue at a rate of 7.375% per annum.			
	Interest on the exchange notes will be payable on February 1 and August 1 of each year, beginning on February 1, 2012 and will accrue from August 1, 2011.			
Guarantees	All of our existing and future wholly owned domestic subsidiaries will guarantee the notes on the issue date on a senior unsecured basis.			
Ranking	The exchange notes and guarantees will be senior unsecured obligations of the Company and the guarantors and will:			
	<ul> <li>rank senior in right of payment to any of our and the guarantors' future subordinated indebtedness;</li> </ul>			
	• rank <i>pari passu</i> in right of payment with all of our and the guarantors' existing and future senior indebtedness; and			
	<ul> <li>be effectively subordinated in right of payment to our and the guarantors' existing and future senior secured indebtedness, including amounts outstanding under our senior secured revolving credit facility, to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness.</li> </ul>			
Optional Redemption	We may redeem some or all of the exchange notes at any time prior to February 1, 2015, for cash at a redemption price equal to 100% of their principal amount plus a "make-whole" premium (as described under "Description of Exchange Notes—Optional Redemption"), plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date. Additionally, we may redeem the exchange notes, in whole or in part, at any time on and after February 1, 2015 at the redemption prices listed under "Description of Exchange Notes—Optional Redemption prices listed under "Description of Exchange Notes—Optional Redemption prices listed under "Description of Exchange Notes—Optional Redemption," plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date.			
Optional Redemption After Equity Offerings	In addition, at any time (which may be more than once) until February 1, 2014, we can choose to redeem up to 35% of the outstanding exchange notes with the proceeds of certain equity offerings, so long as:			
	<ul> <li>we pay 107.375% of the face amount of the exchange notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date;</li> </ul>			
	• we redeem the notes within 180 days of completing such equity offering; and			
	• at least 65% of the aggregate principal amount of the exchange notes remains outstanding			

 at least 65% of the aggregate principal amount of the exchange notes remains outstanding afterwards.

**Change of Control** If a change in control of the Company occurs, we must give holders of the exchange notes the opportunity to sell us their exchange notes at 101% of their face amount, plus accrued interest. We might not be able to pay you the required price for exchange notes you present to us at the time of a change of control, because we might not have enough funds at that time, or the terms of the revolving credit facility may prevent us from paying. See "Risk Factors—Risks Related to the Exchange Notes—Upon a change of control, we may not have the ability to raise the funds necessary to finance the change of control offer required by the indenture governing the notes, which would violate the terms of the notes." **Certain Covenants** The indenture governing the notes contains covenants limiting our ability and the ability of our restricted subsidiaries to: • pay dividends or make certain other restricted payments or investments; • incur additional indebtedness and issue disqualified stock; create liens on our assets; • transfer and sell assets; • merge, consolidate, or sell all or substantially all of our assets; • enter into certain transactions with affiliates; • create restrictions on dividends or other payments by our restricted subsidiaries; and • create guarantees of indebtedness by restricted subsidiaries. These covenants are subject to a number of important limitations and exceptions. See "Description of Exchange Notes-Certain Covenants." **No Prior Market** The exchange notes will be new securities for which there is currently no market. We do not intend to apply for the exchange notes to be listed on any securities exchange or included in any automated quotation system. We cannot assure you that a liquid market for the exchange notes will develop or be maintained. **Use of Proceeds** We will not receive any proceeds from the issuance of the exchange notes pursuant to the exchange

You should carefully consider all of the information in this prospectus. In particular, you should evaluate the information under "Risk Factors" for a discussion of risks associated with an investment in the Company.

offer.

For more complete information about the notes, see "Description of Exchange Notes."

# **RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES**

The table below sets forth our ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods indicated on a consolidated historical basis. For purposes of determining the ratio of earnings to fixed charges, earnings are defined as earnings (loss) from continuing operations before income taxes, plus fixed charges and distributed income of equity investees less capitalized interest. Fixed charges consist of interest expense on all indebtedness, amortization of deferred financing costs, and estimated interest expense in operating leases.

	For the Thre Ended Ma		F	iscal Year	Ended De	cember 31	1,
	2011	2010	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
tio of earnings to fixed charges	1.6	4.2	3.6	2.1	1.4	1.5	1.1

### **RISK FACTORS**

You should carefully consider the risk factors set forth below as well as the other information contained in, and incorporated by reference in, this prospectus before deciding whether to participate in the exchange offer. The risks described below are not the only risks that we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not currently known to us or that we currently deem to be immaterial may also materially and adversely affect our fiscal condition, results of operations and cash flows. Any of the following risks could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations. In such case, you may lose all or part of your original investment. Along with the risks and uncertainties described below, you should carefully consider the risks and uncertainties described in the section entitled "Risk factors" in our 2010 Form 10-K, which are incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

#### Risks Related to the Exchange Offer and Holding the Exchange Notes

#### We have indebtedness which could adversely affect our financial position and prevent us from fulfilling our obligations under the notes.

We currently have, and upon consummation of the exchange offer, will continue to have, indebtedness. As of March 31, 2011, we had total debt of \$257.7 million, of which \$250.0 consisted of the old notes which are being exchanged in the exchange offer. In addition, at March 31, 2011, we had \$9.5 million of letters of credit outstanding under our senior credit facility, \$15.7 million of letters of credit outstanding under our senior credit facility, \$15.7 million of letters of credit outstanding under our international letter of credit facility and \$296.5 million of performance bonds outstanding under our bonding agreement. We may also incur significant additional indebtedness in the future. Our indebtedness may:

- make it difficult for us to satisfy our financial obligations, including making scheduled principal and interest payments on the notes and our other indebtedness;
- limit our ability to borrow additional funds for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions or other general business purposes;
- limit our ability to use our cash flow or obtain additional financing for future working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions or other general business purposes;
- require us to dedicate a portion of our cash flow from operations to payments on our indebtedness, thereby reducing the availability of our cash flow to fund working capital and capital expenditures, pay dividends and other general corporate purposes;
- limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and our industries; and
- affect our competitiveness compared to our less leveraged competitors.

# Despite our current level of indebtedness, we may still be able to incur substantially more indebtedness. This could exacerbate the risks associated with our indebtedness.

We and our subsidiaries may be able to incur substantial additional indebtedness in the future. The terms of the indenture limit, but not prohibit, us or our subsidiaries from incurring additional indebtedness. If we incur any additional indebtedness that ranks equally with the notes and the guarantees, the holders of that indebtedness will be entitled to share ratably with the holders of the notes and the guarantees in any proceeds distributed in connection with any insolvency, liquidation, reorganization, dissolution or other winding-up of us. This may have the effect of reducing the amount of proceeds paid to you. If new indebtedness is added to our current debt levels, the related risks that we and our subsidiaries now face could intensify.

#### If we default on our obligations to pay our other indebtedness, we may not be able to make payments on the notes.

Any default under the agreements governing our indebtedness, including a default under our senior credit facility that is not waived by the required lenders, and the remedies sought by the holders of such indebtedness

could prohibit us from making payments of principal, premium, if any, or interest on the notes and could substantially decrease the market value of the notes. If we are unable to generate sufficient cash flow and are otherwise unable to obtain funds necessary to meet required payments of principal, premium, if any, or interest on our indebtedness, or if we otherwise fail to comply with the various covenants, including financial and operating covenants, in the instruments governing our indebtedness (including our senior secured revolving credit facility), we could be in default under the terms of the agreements governing such indebtedness. In the event of such default, the holders of such indebtedness could elect to declare all the funds borrowed thereunder to be due and payable, together with accrued and unpaid interest. More specifically, the lenders under our senior credit facility could elect to terminate their commitments, cease making further loans and institute foreclosure proceedings against our assets, and we could be forced into bankruptcy, if applicable to us, or liquidation. If our operating performance declines, we may in the future need to seek waivers from the required lenders under the senior secured revolving credit facility to avoid being in default. If we breach covenants under our senior secured revolving credit facility, the lenders could exercise their rights as described above, and we could be forced into bankruptcy, to the extent applicable to us, or liquidation. No assurance can be given that, if we breach covenants under our revolving credit facility and our creditors seek to enforce their rights under the federal bankruptcy laws, that a forum will be available to creditors. See "Description of Other Indebtedness" and "Description of Exchange Notes."

### The exchange notes and the guarantees will be unsecured and effectively subordinated to our and the guarantors' existing and future secured indebtedness.

The exchange notes and the guarantees will be general unsecured obligations ranking effectively junior in right of payment to all of our existing and future secured indebtedness and that of each guarantor, including indebtedness under our senior credit facility. Additionally, the indenture governing the exchange notes will permit us to incur additional secured indebtedness in the future. In the event that we or a guarantor is declared bankrupt, becomes insolvent or is liquidated or reorganized, any indebtedness that is effectively senior to the exchange notes and the guarantees will be entitled to be paid in full from our assets or the assets of the guarantors, as applicable, securing such indebtedness before any payment may be made with respect to the exchange notes or the affected guarantees. Holders of the exchange notes will participate ratably with all holders of our unsecured indebtedness that is deemed to be of the same class as the exchange notes, and potentially with all of our other general creditors, based upon the respective amounts owed to each holder or creditor, in our remaining assets.

As of March 31, 2011, on an as adjusted basis, the exchange notes and the guarantees would have been effectively subordinated to \$9.5 million of letters of credit outstanding under our senior credit facility and we would have been able to incur an additional \$135.5 million of indebtedness under our senior credit facility on such date, subject to compliance with financial covenants in the revolving credit facility, all of which would have also been effectively senior to the exchange notes and the guarantees.

#### Claims of noteholders will be structurally subordinate to claims of creditors of our subsidiaries that do not guarantee the notes.

The exchange notes will not be guaranteed by any of our subsidiaries that are not wholly owned domestic subsidiaries, including Yankee, and also including our future non-wholly owned domestic subsidiaries, including those that we designate as "unrestricted" in accordance with the terms of the indenture. Accordingly, claims of holders of the exchange notes will be structurally subordinated to the claims of creditors of these non-guarantor subsidiaries, including trade creditors. All obligations of our non-guarantor subsidiaries will have to be satisfied before any of the assets of these subsidiaries would be available for distribution, upon a liquidation or otherwise, to us or a guarantor of the exchange notes. Although certain of our domestic subsidiaries will guarantee the exchange notes, the guarantees are subject to release under certain circumstances and we may have subsidiaries that are not guarantors. In the event of the liquidation, dissolution, reorganization, bankruptcy or similar



proceeding of the business of a subsidiary that is not a guarantor, creditors of that subsidiary would generally have the right to be paid in full before any distribution is made to us or the holders of the exchange notes. In any of these events, we may not have sufficient assets to pay amounts due on the exchange notes with respect to the assets of that subsidiary.

For the year ended December 31, 2010, our non-guarantor subsidiaries accounted for \$8.5 million, or 1.2%, of our total net revenues, and a net loss available to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation of \$1.7 million. As of March 31, 2011, such subsidiaries had assets of \$9.8 million and liabilities of \$7.4 million (including guarantees of our indebtedness under our Credit Agreement, and other indebtedness and liabilities of such subsidiaries, but excluding approximately \$9.5 million of outstanding letters of credit and \$135.5 million of additional borrowing capacity under our senior credit facility, \$15.7 million of letters of credit outstanding under our international letter of credit facility and contingent obligations, including \$296.5 million of performance bonds outstanding under our bonding agreement). As of March 31, 2011, we had no borrowings and \$9.5 million of letters of credit outstanding under our senior credit facility, and outstanding performance bonds valued at \$296.5 million under our bonding agreement.

# Federal and state fraudulent transfer laws may permit a court to void the exchange notes and the guarantees, and, if that occurs, you may not receive any payments on the notes.

The issuance of the exchange notes and the guarantees may be subject to review under federal and state fraudulent transfer and conveyance statutes. While the relevant laws may vary from state to state, under such laws the payment of consideration will be a fraudulent conveyance if (1) we paid the consideration with the intent of hindering, delaying or defrauding creditors or (2) we or any of our guarantors, as applicable, received less than reasonably equivalent value or fair consideration in return for issuing either the notes or a guarantee, and, in the case of (2) only, one of the following is also true:

- · we or any of our guarantors were or was insolvent or rendered insolvent by reason of the incurrence of the indebtedness; or
- payment of the consideration left us or any of our guarantors with an unreasonably small amount of capital to carry on the business; or
- we or any of our guarantors intended to, or believed that we or it would, incur debts beyond our or its ability to pay as they mature.

If a court were to find that the issuance of the exchange notes or a guarantee was a fraudulent conveyance, the court could void the payment obligations under the exchange notes or such guarantee or further subordinate the exchange notes or such guarantee to presently existing and future indebtedness of ours or such guarantor, or require the holders of the exchange notes to repay any amounts received with respect to the notes or such guarantee. In the event of a finding that a fraudulent conveyance occurred, you may not receive any repayment on the exchange notes. Further, the voidance of the exchange notes could result in an event of default with respect to our other debt and that of our subsidiaries that could result in acceleration of such debt.

Generally, an entity would be considered insolvent if, at the time it incurred indebtedness:

- the sum of its debts, including contingent liabilities, were greater than the fair salable value of all its assets; or
- the present fair salable value of its assets were less than the amount that would be required to pay its probable liability on its existing debts and liabilities, including contingent liabilities, as they become absolute and mature; or
- it could not pay its debts as they become due.

We cannot be certain as to the standards a court would use to determine whether or not we or the guarantors were solvent at the relevant time, or regardless of the standard that a court uses, that the issuance of the exchange

notes and the guarantees would not be subordinated to our or any guarantor's other debt. If any other subsidiary of ours guarantees the exchange notes in the future, such guarantee will become subject to the same risks described above. If any of the guarantees were legally challenged, such challenged guarantee could also be subject to the claim that, since the guarantee was incurred for our benefit, and only indirectly for the benefit of the guarantor, the obligations of the applicable guarantor were incurred for less than fair consideration. A court could thus void the obligations under the guarantees, subordinate them to the applicable guarantor's other debt or take other action detrimental to the holders of the exchange notes.

# Upon a change of control, we may not have the ability to raise the funds necessary to finance the change of control offer required by the indenture governing the notes, which would violate the terms of the notes.

Upon the occurrence of a change of control, holders of the notes will have the right to require us to purchase all or any part of the notes at a price equal to 101% of the principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase. We may not have sufficient financial resources available to satisfy all of our obligations under the notes in the event of a change in control. Our failure to purchase the notes as required under the indenture would result in a default under the indenture and a cross-default under our senior credit facility, each of which could have material adverse consequences for us and the holders of the notes. In addition, the credit facility provides that a change of control is a default that permits lenders to accelerate the maturity of borrowings under it. See "Description of Exchange Notes—Change of Control."

### Your ability to transfer the exchange notes offered hereby may be limited by the absence of an active trading market.

The exchange notes are a new issue of securities and there is no established trading market for them, or for the old notes. We do not intend to apply for the notes to be listed on any securities exchange or to arrange for quotation on any automated dealer quotation system. You may not be able to sell your notes at a particular time or at favorable prices. As a result, we cannot assure you as to the liquidity of any trading market for the exchange notes or as to whether any market will develop or be maintained. Accordingly, you may be required to bear the financial risk of your investment in the exchange notes indefinitely. If a trading market were to develop, future trading prices of the exchange notes may be volatile and will depend on many factors, including:

- the number of holders of exchange notes;
- our operating performance and financial condition;
- the market for similar securities;
- the interest of securities dealers in making a market in the exchange notes; and
- prevailing interest rates.

Historically, the market for non-investment grade debt has been subject to disruptions that have caused substantial volatility in the prices of these securities. We cannot assure you that the market for the exchange notes will be free from similar disruptions. Any such disruptions could have an adverse effect on holders of the exchange notes.

### Holders of old notes who fail to exchange their old notes in the exchange offer will continue to be subject to restrictions on transfer.

If you do not exchange your old notes for exchange notes in the exchange offer, you will continue to be subject to the restrictions on transfer applicable to the old notes. The restrictions on transfer of your old notes arise because we issued the old notes under exemptions from, or in transactions not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. In general, you may only offer or sell the old notes if they are registered under the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws, or offered and sold under an exemption from these requirements. We do not plan to register the old notes under the Securities Act.

For further information regarding the consequences of tendering your old notes in the exchange offer, see the discussion below under the caption "Exchange Offer —Consequences of Failure to Exchange."

### You must comply with the exchange offer procedures in order to receive new, freely tradable exchange notes.

Delivery of exchange notes in exchange for old notes tendered and accepted for exchange pursuant to the exchange offer will be made only after timely receipt by the exchange agent of book-entry transfer of old notes into the exchange agent's account at DTC, as depositary, including an Agent's Message (as defined herein). We are not required to notify you of defects or irregularities in tenders of old notes for exchange. Exchange notes that are not tendered or that are tendered but we do not accept for exchange will, following consummation of the exchange offer, continue to be subject to the existing transfer restrictions under the Securities Act and, upon consummation of the exchange offer, certain registration and other rights under the Registration Rights Agreement will terminate. See "Exchange Offer —Procedures for Tendering Old Notes" and "Exchange Offer—Consequences of Failure to Exchange."

# Some holders who exchange their old notes may be deemed to be underwriters, and these holders will be required to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements in connection with any resale transaction.

If you exchange your old notes in the exchange offer for the purpose of participating in a distribution of the exchange notes, you may be deemed to have received restricted securities and, if so, will be required to comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale transaction.

# **USE OF PROCEEDS**

We will not receive any cash proceeds from the issuance of the exchange notes. In consideration for issuing the exchange notes contemplated in this prospectus, we will receive outstanding securities in like principal amount, the form and terms of which are substantially the same as the form and terms of the exchange notes, except as otherwise described in this prospectus. The old notes surrendered in exchange for the exchange notes will be retired and cancelled. Accordingly, no additional debt will result from the exchange offer. We will bear the expense of the exchange offer.

### **EXCHANGE OFFER**

### Purpose of the Exchange Offer

The exchange offer is designed to provide holders of old notes with an opportunity to acquire exchange notes which, unlike the old notes, will be freely transferable at all times, subject to any restrictions on transfer imposed by state "blue sky" laws and provided that the holder is not our affiliate within the meaning of the Securities Act and represents that the exchange notes are being acquired in the ordinary course of the holder's business and the holder is not engaged in, and does not intend to engage in, a distribution of the exchange notes.

The old notes were originally issued and sold on January 28, 2011, to the initial purchasers, pursuant to the purchase agreement dated January 25, 2011. The old notes were issued and sold in a transaction not registered under the Securities Act in reliance upon the exemption provided by Section 4(2) of the Securities Act. The concurrent resale of the old notes by the initial purchasers to investors was done in reliance upon the exemptions provided by Rule 144A and Regulation S promulgated under the Securities Act. The old notes may not be reoffered, resold or transferred other than (i) to us or our subsidiaries, (ii) to a qualified institutional buyer in compliance with Rule 144A promulgated under the Securities Act, (iii) outside the United States to a non-U.S. person within the meaning of Regulation S under the Securities Act, (iv) pursuant to the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144 promulgated under the Securities Act (if available) or (v) pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act.

In connection with the original issuance and sale of the old notes, we entered into the Registration Rights Agreement, pursuant to which we agreed to file with the SEC a registration statement covering the exchange by us of the exchange notes for the old notes, pursuant to the exchange offer. The Registration Rights Agreement provides that we will file with the SEC an exchange offer registration statement on an appropriate form under the Securities Act and offer to holders of old notes who are able to make certain representations the opportunity to exchange their old notes for exchange notes.

Under existing interpretations by the Staff of the SEC as set forth in no-action letters issued to third parties in other transactions, the exchange notes would, in general, be freely transferable after the exchange offer without further registration under the Securities Act; provided, however, that in the case of broker-dealers participating in the exchange offer, a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act must be delivered by such broker-dealers in connection with resales of the exchange notes acquired in the exchange offer. A broker-dealer that delivers such a prospectus to purchasers in connection with such resales will be subject to certain of the civil liability provisions under the Securities Act and will be bound by the provisions of the Registration Rights Agreement (including certain indemnification rights and obligations).

We do not intend to seek our own interpretation regarding the exchange offer, and we cannot assure you that the staff of the SEC would make a similar determination with respect to the exchange notes as it has in other interpretations to third parties.

Each holder of old notes that exchanges such old notes for exchange notes in the exchange offer will be deemed to have made certain representations, including representations that (i) any exchange notes to be received by it will be acquired in the ordinary course of its business, (ii) it has no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution (within the meaning of the Securities Act) of exchange notes and (iii) it is not our affiliate as defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act, or if it is an affiliate, it will comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act to the extent applicable.

If the holder is not a broker-dealer, it will be required to represent that it is not engaged in, and does not intend to engage in, the distribution of old notes or exchange notes. If the holder is a broker-dealer that will

receive exchange notes for its own account in exchange for old notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, it will be required to acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of such exchange notes.

### Terms of the Exchange Offer; Period for Tendering Outstanding Old Notes

Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this prospectus, we will accept any and all old notes that were acquired pursuant to Rule 144A or Regulation S validly tendered and not withdrawn prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date of the exchange offer. We will issue \$1,000 principal amount of exchange notes in exchange for each \$1,000 principal amount of old notes accepted in the exchange offer. Holders may tender some or all of their old notes pursuant to the exchange offer. However, old notes may be tendered only in minimum denomination of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

The form and terms of the exchange notes are the same as the form and terms of the outstanding old notes except that:

- (1) the exchange notes will be registered under the Securities Act and will not have legends restricting their transfer;
- (2) the exchange notes will not contain the registration rights and additional interest provisions contained in the outstanding old notes; and
- (3) interest on the exchange notes will accrue from the last interest date on which interest was paid on your old notes.

The exchange notes will evidence the same debt as the old notes and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

We intend to conduct the exchange offer in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations of the SEC.

We will be deemed to have accepted validly tendered old notes when, as and if we have given oral or written notice of our acceptance to the exchange agent. The exchange agent will act as agent for the tendering holders for the purpose of receiving the exchange notes from us.

If any tendered old notes are not accepted for exchange because of an invalid tender or the occurrence of specified other events set forth in this prospectus, the certificates for any unaccepted old notes will be promptly returned, without expense, to the tendering holder.

Holders who tender old notes in the exchange offer will not be required to pay brokerage commissions or fees or transfer taxes with respect to the exchange of old notes pursuant to the exchange offer. We will pay all charges and expenses, other than transfer taxes in certain circumstances, in connection with the exchange offer. See "Fees and expenses" and "Transfer taxes" below.

The exchange offer will remain open for at least 20 full business days. The term "expiration date" will mean 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on , 2011, unless we, in our sole discretion, extend the exchange offer, in which case the term "expiration date" will mean the latest date and time to which the exchange offer is extended.

To extend the exchange offer, prior to 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the next business day after the previously scheduled expiration date, we will:

- (1) notify the exchange agent of any extension by oral notice (promptly confirmed in writing) or written notice, and
- (2) mail to the registered holders an announcement of any extension, and issue a notice by press release or other public announcement before such expiration date.

We reserve the right, in our sole discretion:

(1) if any of the conditions below under the heading "-Conditions on the Exchange Offer" shall have not been satisfied,

- (a) to delay accepting any old notes,
- (b) to extend the exchange offer, or
- (c) to terminate the exchange offer, or
- (2) to amend the terms of the exchange offer in any manner, provided however, that if we amend the exchange offer to make a material change, including the waiver of a material condition, we will extend the exchange offer, if necessary, to keep the exchange offer open for at least five business days after such amendment or waiver; provided further, that if we amend the exchange offer to change the percentage of old notes being exchanged or the consideration being offered, we will extend the exchange offer, if necessary, to keep the exchange offer open for at least ten business days after such amendment or waiver.

Any delay in acceptance, extension, termination or amendment will be followed as promptly as practicable by oral or written notice to the registered holders.

### **Procedures for Tendering Old Notes**

Since the old notes are represented by global book-entry notes, DTC, as depositary, or its nominee is treated as the registered holder of the old notes and will be the only entity that can tender your old notes for exchange notes. Therefore, to tender old notes subject to this exchange offer and to obtain exchange notes, you must instruct the institution where you keep your old notes to tender your old notes on your behalf so that they are received on or prior to the expiration of this exchange offer.

The letter of transmittal that may accompany this prospectus may be used by you to give such instructions.

# YOU SHOULD CONSULT YOUR ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE AT THE BROKER OR BANK WHERE YOU KEEP YOUR OLD NOTES TO DETERMINE THE PREFERRED PROCEDURE.

# IF YOU WISH TO ACCEPT THIS EXCHANGE OFFER, PLEASE INSTRUCT YOUR BROKER OR ACCOUNT REPRESENTATIVE IN TIME FOR YOUR OLD NOTES TO BE TENDERED BEFORE THE 5:00 PM (NEW YORK CITY TIME) DEADLINE ON , 2011.

### **Deemed Representations**

To participate in the exchange offer, we require that you represent to us that:

- (1) you or any other person acquiring exchange notes in exchange for your old notes in the exchange offer is acquiring them in the ordinary course of business;
- (2) neither you nor any other person acquiring exchange notes in exchange for your old notes in the exchange offer is engaging in or intends to engage in a distribution of the exchange notes within the meaning of the federal securities laws;
- (3) neither you nor any other person acquiring exchange notes in exchange for your old notes has an arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of exchange notes issued in the exchange offer;
- (4) neither you nor any other person acquiring exchange notes in exchange for your old notes is our "affiliate" as defined under Rule 405 of the Securities Act; and
- (5) if you or another person acquiring exchange notes in exchange for your old notes is a broker-dealer and you acquired the old notes as a result of marketmaking activities or other trading activities, you acknowledge that you will deliver a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of the exchange notes.

### BY TENDERING YOUR OLD NOTES YOU ARE DEEMED TO HAVE MADE THESE REPRESENTATIONS.

Broker-dealers who cannot make the representations in item (5) of the paragraph above cannot use this exchange offer prospectus in connection with resales of the exchange notes issued in the exchange offer.

If you are our "affiliate," as defined under Rule 405 of the Securities Act, if you are a broker-dealer who acquired your old notes in the initial offering and not as a result of market-making or trading activities, or if you are engaged in or intend to engage in or have an arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in a distribution of exchange notes acquired in the exchange offer, you or that person:

(1) may not rely on the applicable interpretations of the Staff of the SEC and therefore may not participate in the exchange offer; and

(2) must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act or an exemption therefrom when reselling the old notes.

You may tender some or all of your old notes in this exchange offer. However, your old notes may be tendered only in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

When you tender your outstanding old notes and we accept them, the tender will be a binding agreement between you and us as described in this prospectus.

The method of delivery of outstanding old notes and all other required documents to the exchange agent is at your election and risk.

We will decide all questions about the validity, form, eligibility, acceptance and withdrawal of tendered old notes, and our reasonable determination will be final and binding on you. We reserve the absolute right to:

- (1) reject any and all tenders of any particular old note not properly tendered;
- (2) refuse to accept any old note if, in our reasonable judgment or the judgment of our counsel, the acceptance would be unlawful; and
- (3) waive any defects or irregularities or conditions of the exchange offer as to any particular old notes before the expiration of the offer.

Our interpretation of the terms and conditions of the exchange offer will be final and binding on all parties. You must cure any defects or irregularities in connection with tenders of old notes as we will reasonably determine.

Neither we, the exchange agent nor any other person will incur any liability for failure to notify you or any defect or irregularity with respect to your tender of old notes. If we waive any terms or conditions pursuant to (3) above with respect to a noteholder, we will extend the same waiver to all noteholders with respect to that term or condition being waived.

### Procedures for Brokers and Custodian Banks; DTC ATOP Account

In order to accept this exchange offer on behalf of a holder of old notes you must submit or cause your DTC participant to submit an Agent's Message as described below.

The exchange agent, on our behalf will seek to establish an Automated Tender Offer Program ("ATOP") account with respect to the outstanding old notes at DTC promptly after the delivery of this prospectus. Any financial institution that is a DTC participant, including your broker or bank, may make book-entry tender of outstanding old notes by causing the book-entry transfer of such old notes into our ATOP account in accordance

with DTC's procedures for such transfers. Concurrently with the delivery of old notes, an Agent's Message in connection with such book-entry transfer must be transmitted by DTC to, and received by, the exchange agent on or prior to 5:00 pm, New York City Time on the expiration date, or the guaranteed delivery procedures described below must be complied with. The confirmation of a book entry transfer into the ATOP account as described above is referred to herein as a "Book-Entry Confirmation."

The term "Agent's Message" means a message transmitted by the DTC participants to DTC, and thereafter transmitted by DTC to the exchange agent, forming a part of the Book-Entry Confirmation which states that DTC has received an express acknowledgment from the participant in DTC described in such Agent's Message stating that such participant and beneficial holder agree to be bound by the terms of this exchange offer.

Each Agent's Message must include the following information:

- (1) Name of the beneficial owner tendering such old notes;
- (2) Account number of the beneficial owner tendering such old notes;
- (3) Principal amount of old notes tendered by such beneficial owner; and
- (4) A confirmation that the beneficial holder of the old notes tendered has made the representations for our benefit set forth under "—Deemed Representations" above.

# BY SENDING AN AGENT'S MESSAGE THE DTC PARTICIPANT IS DEEMED TO HAVE CERTIFIED THAT THE BENEFICIAL HOLDER FOR WHOM NOTES ARE BEING TENDERED HAS BEEN PROVIDED WITH A COPY OF THIS PROSPECTUS.

The delivery of old notes through DTC, and any transmission of an Agent's Message through ATOP, is at the election and risk of the person tendering old notes. We will ask the exchange agent to instruct DTC to promptly return those old notes, if any, that were tendered through ATOP but were not accepted by us, to the DTC participant that tendered such old notes on behalf of holders of the old notes.

### **Guaranteed Delivery Procedures**

If your certificates for old notes are not lost but are not immediately available or you cannot deliver your certificates and any other required documents to the exchange agent at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, or you cannot complete the procedures for book-entry transfer at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, you may nevertheless effect a tender of your original notes if:

- (1) the tender is made through an eligible institution;
- (2) prior to the expiration date of the exchange offer, the exchange agent receives by facsimile transmission, mail or hand delivery from such eligible institution a validly completed and duly executed notice of guaranteed delivery, substantially in the form provided with this prospectus, or an agent's message with respect to guaranteed delivery which (1) sets forth your name and address and the amount of your original notes tendered, (2) states that the tender is being made thereby; and (3) guarantees that within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the date of execution of the notice of guaranteed delivery, the certificates for all physically tendered original notes, in proper form for transfer, or a book-entry confirmation, as the case may be, and any other documents required by the letter of transmittal will be deposited by the eligible institution with the exchange agent; and
- (3) the certificates for all physically tendered old notes, in proper form for transfer, or a book-entry confirmation, as the case may be, and all other documents required by the letter of transmittal are received by the exchange agent within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the date of execution of the notice of guaranteed delivery.

### Acceptance of Outstanding Old Notes for Exchange; Delivery of Exchange Notes

We will accept validly tendered old notes when the conditions to the exchange offer have been satisfied or we have waived them. We will have accepted your validly tendered old notes when we have given oral or written notice to the exchange agent. The exchange agent will act as agent for the tendering holders for the purpose of receiving the exchange notes from us. If we do not accept any tendered old notes for exchange by book-entry transfer because of an invalid tender or other valid reason, we will credit the Notes to an account maintained with DTC promptly after the exchange offer terminates or expires.

# THE AGENT'S MESSAGE MUST BE TRANSMITTED TO EXCHANGE AGENT ON OR BEFORE 5:00 PM, NEW YORK CITY TIME, ON THE EXPIRATION DATE.

### Withdrawal Rights

You may withdraw your tender of outstanding notes at any time before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

For a withdrawal to be effective, you should contact your bank or broker where your old notes are held and have them send an ATOP notice of withdrawal so that it is received by the exchange agent before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. Such notice of withdrawal must:

- (1) specify the name of the person that tendered the old notes to be withdrawn;
- (2) identify the old notes to be withdrawn, including the CUSIP number and principal amount at maturity of the old notes; specify the name and number of an account at the DTC to which your withdrawn old notes can be credited.

We will decide all questions as to the validity, form and eligibility of the notices and our determination will be final and binding on all parties. Any tendered old notes that you withdraw will not be considered to have been validly tendered. We will promptly return any outstanding old notes that have been tendered but not exchanged, or credit them to the DTC account. You may re-tender properly withdrawn old notes by following one of the procedures described above before the expiration date.

### **Conditions on the Exchange Offer**

Notwithstanding any other provision of the exchange offer, or any extension of the exchange offer, we will not be required to accept for exchange, or to issue exchange notes in exchange for, any outstanding old notes and may terminate the exchange offer (whether or not any old notes have been accepted for exchange) or amend the exchange offer, if any of the following conditions has occurred or exists or has not been satisfied, or has not been waived by us in our sole reasonable discretion, prior to the expiration date:

- there is threatened, instituted or pending any action or proceeding before, or any injunction, order or decree issued by, any court or governmental agency or other governmental regulatory or administrative agency or commission:
  - seeking to restrain or prohibit the making or completion of the exchange offer or any other transaction contemplated by the exchange offer, or assessing or seeking any damages as a result of this transaction; or
  - (2) resulting in a material delay in our ability to accept for exchange or exchange some or all of the old notes in the exchange offer; or
  - (3) any statute, rule, regulation, order or injunction has been sought, proposed, introduced, enacted, promulgated or deemed applicable to the exchange offer or any of the transactions contemplated by the exchange offer by any governmental authority, domestic or foreign; or



- any action has been taken, proposed or threatened, by any governmental authority, domestic or foreign, that, in our sole reasonable judgment, would directly or indirectly result in any of the consequences referred to in clauses (1), (2) or (3) above or, in our sole reasonable judgment, would result in the holders of exchange notes having obligations with respect to resales and transfers of exchange notes which are greater than those described in the interpretation of the SEC referred to above, or would otherwise make it inadvisable to proceed with the exchange offer; or the following has occurred:
- (1) any general suspension of or general limitation on prices for, or trading in, securities on any national securities exchange or in the over-the-counter market; or
- (2) any limitation by a governmental authority which adversely affects our ability to complete the transactions contemplated by the exchange offer; or
- (3) a declaration of a banking moratorium or any suspension of payments in respect of banks in the United States or any limitation by any governmental agency or authority which adversely affects the extension of credit; or
- (4) a commencement of a war, armed hostilities or other similar international calamity directly or indirectly involving the United States, or, in the case of any of the preceding events existing at the time of the commencement of the exchange offer, a material acceleration or worsening of these calamities; or
- any change, or any development involving a prospective change, has occurred or been threatened in our business, financial condition, operations or
  prospects and those of our subsidiaries taken as a whole that is or may be adverse to us, or we have become aware of facts that have or may have an adverse
  impact on the value of the old notes or the exchange notes, which in our sole reasonable judgment in any case makes it inadvisable to proceed with the
  exchange offer and/or with such acceptance for exchange or with such exchange; or
- there shall occur a change in the current interpretation by the Staff of the SEC which permits the exchange notes issued pursuant to the exchange offer in
  exchange for old notes to be offered for resale, resold and otherwise transferred by holders thereof (other than broker-dealers and any such holder which is
  our affiliate within the meaning of Rule 405 promulgated under the Securities Act) without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery
  provisions of the Securities Act, provided that such exchange notes are acquired in the ordinary course of such holders' business and such holders have no
  arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of such exchange notes; or
- any law, statute, rule or regulation shall have been adopted or enacted which, in our reasonable judgment, would impair our ability to proceed with the exchange offer; or
- a stop order shall have been issued by the SEC or any state securities authority suspending the effectiveness of the registration statement, or proceedings shall have been initiated or, to our knowledge, threatened for that purpose, or any governmental approval has not been obtained, which approval we shall, in our sole reasonable discretion, deem necessary for the consummation of the exchange offer as contemplated hereby; or
- we have received an opinion of counsel experienced in such matters to the effect that there exists any actual or threatened legal impediment (including a default or prospective default under an agreement, indenture or other instrument or obligation to which we are a party or by which we are bound) to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the exchange offer.

If we determine in our sole reasonable discretion that any of the foregoing events or conditions has occurred or exists or has not been satisfied, we may, subject to applicable law, terminate the exchange offer (whether or not any old notes have been accepted for exchange) or may waive any such condition or otherwise amend the terms of the exchange offer in any respect. If such waiver or amendment constitutes a material change to the exchange offer, we will promptly disclose such waiver or amendment by means of a prospectus supplement that will be distributed to the registered holders of the old notes and will extend the exchange offer to the extent required by Rule 14e-1 promulgated under the Exchange Act.

These conditions are for our sole benefit and we may assert them regardless of the circumstances giving rise to any of these conditions, or we may waive them, in whole or in part, in our sole reasonable discretion, provided that we will not waive any condition with respect to an individual holder of old notes unless we waive that condition for all such holders. Any reasonable determination made by us concerning an event, development or circumstance described or referred to above will be final and binding on all parties. Our failure at any time to exercise any of the foregoing rights will not be a waiver of our rights and each such right will be deemed an ongoing right which may be asserted at any time before the expiration of the exchange offer.

### **Exchange Agent**

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association has been appointed as Exchange Agent in connection with the Exchange Offer. Questions and requests for assistance, as well as requests for additional copies of this prospectus or of the letter of transmittal, should be directed to the Exchange Agent at its offices at Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, MAC N9303-121, P.O. Box 1517, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Attention: Corporate Trust Operations. The Exchange Agent's telephone number is (800) 344-5128 and facsimile number is (612) 667-6282.

### Fees and Expenses

We will pay the exchange agent customary fees for its services, reimburse the exchange agent for its reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the provisions of these services and pay other registration expenses, including registration and filing fees, fees and expenses of compliance with federal securities and state blue sky securities laws, printing expenses, messenger and delivery services and telephone, fees and disbursements to our counsel, application and filing fees and any fees and disbursements to our independent certified public accountants. We will not make any payment to brokers, dealers, or others soliciting acceptances of the exchange offer except for reimbursement of mailing expenses.

Additional solicitations may be made by telephone, facsimile or in person by our and our affiliates' officers, employees and by persons so engaged by us.

#### **Accounting Treatment**

The exchange notes will be recorded at the same carrying value as the existing old notes, as reflected in our accounting records on the date of exchange. Accordingly, we will recognize no gain or loss for accounting purposes. The expenses of the exchange offer will be expensed as incurred.

#### **Transfer Taxes**

If you tender outstanding old notes for exchange you will not be obligated to pay any transfer taxes. However, if you instruct us to register exchange notes in the name of, or request that your old notes not tendered or not accepted in the exchange offer be returned to, a person other than the registered tendering holder, you will be responsible for paying any transfer tax owed.

### YOU MAY SUFFER ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES IF YOU FAIL TO EXCHANGE OUTSTANDING OLD NOTES.

If you do not tender your outstanding old notes, you will not have any further registration rights, except for the rights described in the Registration Rights Agreement and described above, and your old notes will continue to be subject to the provisions of the indenture governing the old notes regarding transfer and exchange of the old notes and the restrictions on transfer of the old notes imposed by the Securities Act and state securities laws when we complete the exchange offer. These transfer restrictions are required because the old notes were issued under an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the registration requirements of the Securities Act and applicable state securities laws. Accordingly, if you do not tender your old notes in the exchange offer, your ability to sell your old notes could be adversely affected. Once we have completed the exchange offer, holders who have not tendered notes will not continue to be entitled to any increase in interest rate that the indenture governing the old notes provides for if we do not complete the exchange offer.

### **Consequences of Failure to Exchange**

The old notes that are not exchanged for exchange notes pursuant to the exchange offer will remain restricted securities. Accordingly, the old notes may be resold only:

- (1) to us upon redemption thereof or otherwise;
- (2) so long as the outstanding securities are eligible for resale pursuant to Rule 144A, to a person inside the United States who is a qualified institutional buyer within the meaning of Rule 144A under the Securities Act in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A, in accordance with Rule 144 under the Securities Act, or pursuant to another exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, which other exemption is based upon an opinion of counsel reasonably acceptable to us;
- (3) outside the United States to a foreign person in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 904 under the Securities Act; or
- (4) pursuant to an effective registration statement under the Securities Act, in each case in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States.

### **Shelf Registration**

The Registration Rights Agreement also requires that we file a shelf registration statement if:

- (1) we cannot file a registration statement for the exchange offer because the exchange offer is not permitted by law or SEC policy;
- (2) a law or SEC policy prohibits a holder from participating in the exchange offer;
- (3) a holder cannot resell the exchange notes it acquires in the exchange offer without delivering a prospectus and this prospectus is not appropriate or available for resales by the holder; or
- (4) a holder is a broker-dealer and holds notes acquired directly from us or one of our affiliates.

Old notes may be subject to restrictions on transfer until:

- (1) a person other than a broker-dealer has exchanged the old notes in the exchange offer;
- (2) a broker-dealer has exchanged the old notes in the exchange offer and sells them to a purchaser that receives a prospectus from the broker-dealer on or before the sale;
- (3) the old notes are sold under an effective shelf registration statement that we have filed; or
- (4) the old notes are sold to the public under Rule 144 of the Securities Act.

# DESCRIPTION OF EXCHANGE NOTES

### General

In this description, references to the "notes" are to the old notes and the exchange notes, unless the context otherwise requires. We issued the old notes and will issue the exchange notes pursuant to an indenture dated as of January 28, 2011, among us, the Guarantors and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee. The terms of the notes will include those expressly set forth in the indenture and those made part of the indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or the "Trust Indenture Act." The indenture is unlimited in aggregate principal amount, although the issuance of the old notes was limited to \$250.0 million. We may issue an unlimited principal amount of additional notes having identical terms and conditions as the notes. We will only be permitted to issue additional notes if at the time of such issuance, we were in compliance with the covenants contained in the indenture. Any additional notes will be part of the same issue as the notes that we are currently offering and will vote on all matters with the holders of the notes.

You can find the definitions of certain terms used in this description under "—Certain Definitions." In this description, the words "we" and "Great Lakes" refer only to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and not to any of its Subsidiaries.

The following description is a summary of the provisions of the notes and the indenture that we consider to be material. It does not restate the indenture in its entirety. We urge you to read the indenture because it, and not this description, defines your rights as a holder of the notes. Copies of the indenture are available as set forth below under "—Additional Information."

The registered holder of a note will be treated as its owner for all purposes. Only registered holders will have rights under the indenture.

### Brief Description of the Notes and the Guarantees

### The Notes

The notes are:

- general senior unsecured obligations of Great Lakes;
- senior in right of payment to all future subordinated obligations of Great Lakes;
- *pari passu* in right of payment with all existing and future senior unsecured obligations of Great Lakes;
- effectively subordinated to all Secured Indebtedness of Great Lakes (including the Credit Agreement and the Bonding Agreement) to the extent of the value of the assets securing such Indebtedness;
- fully and unconditionally guaranteed by all of the Guarantors; and
- subject to registration with the Commission pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement.

### The Guarantees

Each Guarantee of the notes is:

- a general senior unsecured obligation of each Guarantor;
- senior in right of payment to all future subordinated obligations of such Guarantor;
- pari passu in right of payment with all existing and future senior unsecured obligations of such Guarantor; and
- effectively subordinated to all Secured Indebtedness of such Guarantor (including the Credit Agreement and the Bonding Agreement) to the extent of the value of the assets securing such Indebtedness.

As of March 31, 2011, Great Lakes and its Subsidiaries had approximately \$257.7 million of Indebtedness, \$250.0 million of which consisted of the old notes. These amounts exclude approximately \$9.5 million of outstanding letters of credit and \$135.5 million of additional borrowing capacity under our Credit Agreement, \$15.7 million of letters of credit outstanding under our International Letter of Credit Facility and contingent obligations, including \$296.5 million of performance bonds outstanding under the Bonding Agreement.

The operations of Great Lakes are conducted primarily through its Subsidiaries and, therefore, Great Lakes will be dependent upon the cash flow of these Subsidiaries to meet its obligations, including its obligations under the notes. Other than the Excluded Subsidiaries, all of the existing domestic Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries of Great Lakes are, and all future domestic Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries of Great Lakes are expected to be, Guarantors. Further claims of creditors of Subsidiaries that are not Guarantors will generally have priority with respect to the assets and earnings of these Subsidiaries over your claims.

As of the Issue Date, all of Great Lakes' Subsidiaries were Restricted Subsidiaries. However, under specified circumstances, Great Lakes will be able to designate current or future Subsidiaries as Unrestricted Subsidiaries. Unrestricted Subsidiaries will not be subject to many of the restrictive covenants set forth in the indenture. Unrestricted Subsidiaries will not Guarantee the notes. In addition, in the event of bankruptcy, liquidation or reorganization of any of Great Lakes' Subsidiaries that are not Guarantors, such subsidiaries will pay their trade creditors before they will be able to distribute any of their assets to Great Lakes. As of March 31, 2011, our Subsidiaries that are not Guarantors had approximately \$7.4 million of Indebtedness and other liabilities (including guarantees of Indebtedness of Great Lakes under the Credit Agreement and other Indebtedness and liabilities owed to Great Lakes by such non-guarantor Subsidiaries, but excluding approximately \$9.5 million of outstanding letters of credit and \$135.5 million of additional borrowing capacity under our Credit Agreement, \$15.7 million of letters of credit outstanding under our International Letter of Credit Facility and contingent obligations, including \$296.5 million of performance bonds outstanding under the Bonding Agreement), all of which rank structurally senior to the notes. In addition, to the extent that the Company or any Restricted Subsidiary is a general partner in any Person, we are liable for our allocated percentage of such Person's liabilities, other than non-recourse liabilities.

#### **Principal, Maturity and Interest**

Great Lakes issued \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of notes in the initial offering. The notes were issued in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. Interest on the notes accrues at the rate of 7.375% per annum and is payable semi-annually in arrears on February 1 and August 1 of each year, commencing August 1, 2011 to holders of record on the immediately preceding January 15 and July 15. The notes will mature on February 1, 2019. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months.

#### Guarantees

Great Lakes' payment obligations under the notes are fully and unconditionally guaranteed on a joint and several basis by the Guarantors. The Guarantee of each Guarantor is a general senior unsecured obligation of such Guarantor. The obligations of each Guarantor under its Guarantee will be limited so as not to constitute a fraudulent conveyance under applicable law. See, however, "Risk Factors—Risks Related to the Notes."

Each Guarantor that makes a payment or distribution under a Guarantee shall be entitled to a contribution from each other Guarantor and a right of reimbursement from Great Lakes.

A Guarantor shall be released from all of its obligations under its Guarantee if all or substantially all of its assets are sold or all of its capital stock is sold, in each case in a transaction as described under "Repurchase at the Option of Holders—Asset Sales," or the Guarantor merges with or into or consolidates with, or transfers all or substantially all of its assets to, Great Lakes or another Guarantor in a transaction in compliance with "—Limitation on Mergers, Consolidations or Sales of Assets." In addition, the indenture provides that, in the

event Great Lakes properly designates a Restricted Subsidiary as an Unrestricted Subsidiary in accordance with the indenture, then the Restricted Subsidiary shall, in accordance with the indenture, be released from its obligations under its Guarantee upon the effectiveness of the designation.

#### **Optional Redemption**

Except as described below, the notes are not redeemable before February 1, 2015. At any time, at our option, we may redeem the notes, in whole or in part upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice, in cash at the following redemption prices (expressed as a percentage of principal amount) if redeemed during the twelve-month period beginning on February 1 of the years indicated below:

Year	Percentage
<u>Year</u> 2015	103.688%
2016	101.844%
2017 and thereafter	100.000%

In addition, we must pay all accrued and unpaid interest, and Additional Interest, if any, on the notes redeemed.

On one or more occasions before February 1, 2014, we may use the net cash proceeds of one or more Equity Offerings to redeem up to 35% of the original principal amount of the notes at a redemption price of 107.375% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest and Additional Interest, if any, thereon; *provided* that:

(1) at least 65% of the original principal amount of the notes remain outstanding immediately after the occurrence of any such redemption (excluding notes held by Great Lakes and its Subsidiaries); and

(2) any such redemption occurs not more than 180 days following the closing of such Equity Offering.

At any time prior to February 1, 2015, Great Lakes may redeem the notes, in whole or in part upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice, in cash, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the Notes redeemed plus the Applicable Premium as of, and accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of redemption (the "Redemption Date"), subject to the rights of the holders of record on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date.

Notwithstanding the preceding, Great Lakes may, from time to time, acquire the notes in the open market or by undertaking a tender offer for the notes at any time, subject to the terms of the indenture and applicable securities laws.

### Selection and Notice

In the event we choose to redeem less than all of the notes at any time, selection of notes for redemption or repurchase will be made by the trustee, subject to applicable DTC procedures, (1) in compliance with the requirements of the principal national securities exchange, if any, on which the notes are listed, (2) on a pro rata basis, by lot or (3) by an alternative method as the trustee shall deem fair and appropriate. Notices of redemption shall be mailed by first class mail at least 30 but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each holder of notes to be redeemed at its registered address. Notices of redemption may not be conditional. If any note is to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption that relates to the note shall state the portion of the principal amount to be redeemed. A new note in principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion will be issued in the name of the holder upon cancellation of the original note. No notes of \$2,000 principal amount or less shall be redeemed in part. Notes called for redemption become due on the date fixed for redemption. On and after the redemption date, interest and Additional Interest cease to accrue on notes or portions of them called for redemption or repurchase, unless we fail to redeem any such note.

#### **Mandatory Redemption**

Except as set forth below under "—Repurchase at the Option of Holders," Great Lakes is not required to make mandatory redemption or sinking fund payments with respect to the notes.

### **Repurchase at the Option of Holders**

### Change of Control

Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control, each holder of the notes will have the right to require Great Lakes to repurchase all or any part (equal to \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000) of the holder's notes pursuant to the offer described below (the "Change of Control Offer") at an offer price in cash equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest and Additional Interest thereon, if any, to the date of purchase (the "Change of Control Payment"). Within 30 days following any Change of Control, Great Lakes will mail a notice to each holder and the trustee describing the transaction or transactions that constitute the Change of Control and offering to repurchase notes on the date specified in the notice, which date shall be no earlier than 30 days and no later than 60 days from the date the notice is mailed (the "Change of Control Payment Date"), pursuant to the procedures required by the indenture and described in the notice. Great Lakes will comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent these laws and regulations directly conflict with the provisions of the indenture relating to the Change of Control Offer, Great Lakes will comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and shall not be deemed to have breached its obligations described in the indenture by virtue of this compliance.

On the Change of Control Payment Date, Great Lakes will, to the extent lawful,

(1) accept for payment all notes or portions of the notes properly tendered pursuant to the Change of Control Offer;

(2) deposit with the Paying Agent (as defined in the indenture) an amount equal to the Change of Control Payment in respect of all notes or portions of the notes so tendered; and

(3) deliver or cause to be delivered to the trustee the notes so accepted together with an officers' certificate stating the aggregate principal amount of notes or portions of the notes being purchased by Great Lakes.

The Paying Agent will promptly mail to each holder of notes so tendered the Change of Control Payment for the notes, and the trustee will promptly authenticate and mail (or cause to be transferred by book entry) to each holder a new note equal in principal amount to any unpurchased portion of the notes surrendered, if any; provided that each new note will be in a principal amount of \$2,000 or an integral multiple of \$1,000 in excess thereof. Great Lakes will publicly announce the results of the Change of Control Offer on or as soon as practicable after the Change of Control Payment Date.

The Change of Control provisions described above will be applicable whether or not any other provisions of the indenture are applicable. Except as described above with respect to a Change of Control, the indenture does not contain provisions that permit the holders of the notes to require that Great Lakes repurchase or redeem the notes in the event of a takeover, recapitalization or similar transaction. The Credit Agreement provides that change of control events with respect to Great Lakes would constitute a default thereunder. Any future credit agreements or other agreements relating to senior Indebtedness to which Great Lakes becomes a party may contain similar restrictions and provisions. In the event a Change of Control occurs at a time when Great Lakes is prohibited under the terms of the Credit Agreement or other Indebtedness from purchasing notes, Great Lakes could seek the consent of its lenders to the purchase of notes or could attempt to refinance the borrowings that contain the prohibition. If Great Lakes does not obtain the required consent or repay the borrowings, Great Lakes will remain prohibited from purchasing notes. In that case, Great Lakes' failure to purchase tendered notes would

constitute an Event of Default under the indenture, which would, in turn, constitute an additional default under the Credit Agreement or other future senior Indebtedness, including the Bonding Agreement. Finally, Great Lakes' ability to pay cash to the holders of notes upon a repurchase may be limited by Great Lakes' then existing financial resources.

Great Lakes will not be required to make a Change of Control Offer upon a Change of Control if (1) a third party makes the Change of Control Offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements set forth in the indenture applicable to a Change of Control Offer made by Great Lakes and purchases all notes validly tendered and not withdrawn under its Change of Control Offer or (2) notice of redemption has been given pursuant to the indenture as described herein under the caption "—Optional Redemption," unless and until there has been a default in payment of the applicable redemption price. A Change of Control Offer may be made in advance of a Change of Control, conditional upon the Change of Control, if a definitive agreement is in place for the Change of Control at the time of making of the Change of Control Offer.

### Asset Sales

Great Lakes will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, consummate an Asset Sale unless:

(1) Great Lakes (or the Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be) receives consideration at the time of the Asset Sale at least equal to the Fair Market Value of the assets or Equity Interests issued or sold or otherwise disposed of; and

(2) at least 75% of the consideration therefor received by Great Lakes or the Restricted Subsidiary is in the form of Qualified Proceeds.

For the purposes of clause (2) above and no other provision, each of the following shall be deemed cash:

- any liabilities (as shown on Great Lakes' or the Restricted Subsidiary's most recent balance sheet), of Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary (other than contingent liabilities and liabilities that are by their terms subordinated to the notes or any Guarantee of the notes) that are assumed by the transferee of any assets pursuant to a customary novation agreement or by operation of law that releases Great Lakes or the Restricted Subsidiary from further liability therefor;
- any securities, notes or other obligations received by Great Lakes or the Restricted Subsidiary from a transferee that are converted by Great Lakes or the Restricted Subsidiary into cash (to the extent of the cash received) within 180 days following the closing of the Asset Sale; and
- any Designated Non-cash Consideration received by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in such Asset Sale having an aggregate Fair Market Value, taken together with all other Designated Non-cash Consideration received pursuant to this clause then outstanding, not to exceed the greater of (x) \$50.0 million and (y) 8% of Total Tangible Assets at the time of receipt of such Designated Non-cash Consideration with the Fair Market Value of each item of Designated Non-cash Consideration being measured at the time received and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value.

Within 360 days after the receipt of any Net Proceeds from an Asset Sale, Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary may apply the Net Proceeds, at its option:

(1) to repay or otherwise retire amounts owing under the Credit Agreement in accordance with the Credit Agreement and to correspondingly reduce commitments with respect thereto;

(2) to repay or otherwise retire amounts owing under other Secured Indebtedness (other than subordinated obligations), which Secured Indebtedness is permitted by the Indenture, and to correspondingly reduce commitments with respect thereto; and/or

(3) to the acquisition of a majority of the assets of, or a majority of the Voting Stock of, another Permitted Business, to making a capital expenditure for the construction, repair, improvement or acquisition of assets that are used or useful in a Permitted Business or commitment to do any of the foregoing provided that this commitment or its reasonable replacement is consummated substantially in accordance with its terms; or

(4) for a combination of uses described in clauses (1), (2) and (3).

Pending the final application of any Net Proceeds, Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries may temporarily reduce revolving credit borrowings or otherwise invest the Net Proceeds in any manner that is not prohibited by the indenture. Any Net Proceeds from Asset Sales that are not applied or invested as provided in the immediately preceding paragraph will be deemed to constitute "Excess Proceeds." When the aggregate amount of Excess Proceeds exceeds \$20.0 million, Great Lakes will be required to make an offer to all holders of notes (an "Asset Sale Offer") to purchase the maximum principal amount of notes and, if Great Lakes is required to do so under the terms of any other Indebtedness that is pari passu with the notes, such other Indebtedness on a pro rata basis with the notes, that may be purchased out of the Excess Proceeds, at an offer price in cash in an amount equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes plus accrued and unpaid interest and Additional Interest thereon, if any, to the date of repurchase, in accordance with the procedures set forth in the indenture. To the extent that any Excess Proceeds remain after consummation of an Asset Sale Offer, Great Lakes may use the Excess Proceeds for any general corporate purpose. If the aggregate principal amount of notes and other pari passu Indebtedness to be purchased on a pro rata basis. Upon completion of each Asset Sale Offer, the amount of Excess Proceeds shall be reset at zero.

### **Certain Covenants**

The indenture contains, among others, the following covenants.

### Limitation on Restricted Payments

Great Lakes will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly make any Restricted Payment, unless:

(1) at the time of and after giving effect to the Restricted Payment, no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and is continuing or would occur as a consequence of the Restricted Payment;

(2) Great Lakes would, at the time of the Restricted Payment and after giving it pro forma effect as if the Restricted Payment had been made at the beginning of the applicable four-quarter period, have been permitted to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio test set forth in the first paragraph of the covenant described below under the caption "—Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock"; and

(3) the Restricted Payment, together with the aggregate amount of all other Restricted Payments made by Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries after December 22, 2003 (excluding Restricted Payments permitted by clauses (2), (3), (4), (7), (8), (10), (11), (12), (14) and (15) of the next succeeding paragraph), is less than the sum, without duplication, of:

(A) 50% of the Consolidated Net Income of Great Lakes for the period (taken as one accounting period) from the first day of the fiscal quarter of Great Lakes commencing on October 1, 2003 to the end of Great Lakes' most recently ended fiscal quarter for which internal financial statements are available at the time of the Restricted Payment (or, if Consolidated Net Income for the period is a deficit, less 100% of the deficit), plus

(B) 100% of the aggregate Fair Market Value of Qualified Proceeds received by Great Lakes since December 22, 2003 as a contribution to its equity capital or from the issue or sale of Equity Interests of

Great Lakes (other than Disqualified Stock) or from the issue or sale of Disqualified Stock or debt securities of Great Lakes that have been converted into Equity Interests (other than Equity Interests (or Disqualified Stock or convertible debt securities) sold to a Subsidiary of Great Lakes), plus

(C) to the extent that any Restricted Investment that was made after December 22, 2003 is sold for cash or otherwise liquidated or repaid for cash, the cash return of capital received with respect to the Restricted Investment (less the cost of disposition, if any), plus

(D) 50% of any dividends received by Great Lakes or a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary after December 22, 2003 from an Unrestricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes, to the extent that the dividends were not otherwise included in Consolidated Net Income of Great Lakes for the period, plus

(E) to the extent that any Unrestricted Subsidiary is redesignated as a Restricted Subsidiary, or upon a merger or consolidation of any Unrestricted Subsidiary into Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, in each case after December 22, 2003, the lesser of (A) the Fair Market Value of Great Lakes' Investment in the Subsidiary as of the date of the redesignation or merger or consolidation and (B) the Fair Market Value as of the date on which the Subsidiary was originally designated as an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

The provisions of this covenant will not prohibit:

(1) the payment of any dividend or other distribution within 60 days after the date of declaration, if at said date of declaration payment would have complied with the provisions of the indenture;

(2) the making of any Restricted Payment in exchange for, or out of the net cash proceeds of the sale within 30 days of the making of such Restricted Payment (other than to a Subsidiary of Great Lakes) of, other Equity Interests of Great Lakes (other than any Disqualified Stock) or the net cash proceeds of a common equity capital contribution to Great Lakes; provided that the amount of any net cash proceeds that are utilized for any Restricted Payment pursuant to this clause (2) shall be excluded from clause (3)(B) of the preceding paragraph;

(3) (A) the defeasance, redemption, repurchase or other acquisition of subordinated Indebtedness with the net cash proceeds from an incurrence of Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness; and

(B) the purchase, redemption or other acquisition for value of any Disqualified Stock with the net cash proceeds from the sale of other Equity Interests of Great Lakes or an incurrence of Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness;

(4) the payment of any dividend or making of any distribution by a Subsidiary of Great Lakes to the holders of its Equity Interests on a pro rata basis;

(5) so long as no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and is continuing or would occur as a result of the making of such Restricted Payment, the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement for value of any Equity Interests of Great Lakes or any direct or indirect parent of Great Lakes held by any present, future or former member of Great Lakes' (or any of their Subsidiaries') Board of Directors or any present, future or former officer, employee or director of Great Lakes, any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or any direct or indirect parent of Great Lakes pursuant to any equity subscription agreement, stockholder agreement, stock option agreement, employment agreement or other similar agreements or employee benefit plan; provided that

(A) the aggregate price paid for all the repurchased, redeemed, acquired or retired Equity Interests shall not exceed \$3.0 million in any calendar year (with unused amounts in any calendar year being carried over to succeeding calendar years subject to a maximum (without giving effect to clause (B)) of \$6.0 million), plus

(B) in the case of a repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement of Equity Interests of Great Lakes or of any direct or indirect parent of Great Lakes, the aggregate cash proceeds received by Great Lakes, or its direct or indirect parent to the extent such cash proceeds are contributed to the

common equity capital of Great Lakes, during that calendar year from any reissuance of Equity Interests by Great Lakes or any direct or indirect parent of Great Lakes to employees, officers and directors of Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries plus the cash proceeds of any "key man" life insurance policy received by Great Lakes, and any cash proceeds paid to Great Lakes in connection with the issuance or exercise of, any management or employee Equity Interests so acquired;

(6) so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would occur as a result of the making of such Restricted Payment, the declaration and payment of regularly scheduled dividends to holders of any class or series of Disqualified Stock of Great Lakes, or any class or series of Disqualified Stock or preferred stock of any Restricted Subsidiary that was issued after December 22, 2003 (other than to Great Lakes or another Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes) in compliance with the covenant described below under the caption "—Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock";

(7) repurchase of Equity Interests deemed to occur upon exercise of stock options and warrants if those Equity Interests represent a portion of the exercise price of the options or warrants;

(8) loans to employees of Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary in the ordinary course of business not to exceed \$2.0 million at any one time outstanding;

(9) so long as no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and is continuing or would occur as a result of the making of such Restricted Payment, Restricted Payments not to exceed \$35.0 million since December 22, 2003;

(10) any payments made by Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary for the purposes described in the offering memorandum dated January 28, 2011 relating to the issuance of the old notes under the caption "Use of Proceeds";

(11) payments, advances, loans or expense reimbursements made to any direct or indirect parent corporation of Great Lakes to permit the payment by such entity of reasonable general operating expenses, accounting, legal, corporate reporting and administrative expenses incurred in the ordinary course of its business in an amount not to exceed \$1.0 million per annum;

(12) (A) for so long as Great Lakes is a member of a group filing a consolidated or combined tax return with a parent corporation, payments to the parent in respect of an allocable portion of the tax liabilities of such group that is attributable to Great Lakes and its Subsidiaries ("Tax Payments"); provided, that the Tax Payments shall not exceed the lesser of (i) the amount of the relevant tax (including any penalties and interest) that Great Lakes would owe if Great Lakes were filing (and had always filed) a separate tax return (or a separate consolidated or combined return with its Subsidiaries that are members of the consolidated or combined group), taking into account any carryovers and carrybacks of tax attributes (such as net operating losses) of Great Lakes and such Subsidiaries from other taxable years and (ii) the proportionate share of Great Lakes and its Subsidiaries of the net amount of the relevant tax that the parent actually owes to the appropriate taxing authority or (B) in the event that and for so long as Great Lakes is organized as a limited liability company or partnership, the payment of Permitted Tax Distributions;

(13) the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition or retirement for value of Indebtedness that is subordinated to the notes with Excess Proceeds to the extent such Excess Proceeds are permitted to be used for general corporate purposes under the covenant entitled "—Repurchase at the Option of Holders—Asset Sales";

(14) the repurchase, redemption or other acquisition for value of Capital Stock of Great Lakes or any direct or indirect parent of Great Lakes representing fractional shares of such Capital Stock in connection with a merger, consolidation, amalgamation or other combination involving Great Lakes or any direct or indirect parent of Great Lakes;

(15) Investments that are made with Excluded Contributions;

(16) so long as no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and is continuing or would occur as the result of making such Restricted Payment, upon the occurrence of a Change of Control and within 60

days after completion of the offer to repurchase notes pursuant to the covenant described above under the caption "—Repurchase at the Option of Holders —Change of Control" (including the purchase of all notes tendered), any purchase or redemption of Indebtedness of Great Lakes subordinated to the notes that is required to be repurchased or redeemed pursuant to the terms thereof as a result of such Change of Control, at a purchase price not greater than 101% of the outstanding principal amount (or accreted amount, in the case of any debt issued at a discount from its principal amount at maturity) thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any; and

(17) so long as no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or would occur as the result of the making of such Restricted Payment, the declaration and payment of dividends to holders of any class or series of preferred stock of Great Lakes if Great Lakes would have been entitled to incur or assume Indebtedness under the covenant described below under "—Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock," in an aggregate principal amount equal to the aggregate liquidation value of the preferred stock at the time of issuance of such preferred stock (provided that the cash proceeds from the issuance of such preferred stock shall be excluded from clause (3)(B) of the preceding paragraph).

As of March 31, 2011, Great Lakes had approximately \$181.5 million available for Restricted Payments under the first paragraph of this covenant.

The Board of Directors may designate any Restricted Subsidiary to be an Unrestricted Subsidiary if that designation would not cause a Default. For purposes of making this determination, all outstanding Investments by Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries (except to the extent repaid in cash) in the Subsidiary so designated will be deemed to be Restricted Payments at the time of the designation and shall either reduce the amount available for Restricted Payments under the first paragraph of this covenant or reduce the amount available for future Investments under one or more clauses of the definition of "Permitted Investments," as Great Lakes determines in its sole discretion. All outstanding Investments will be deemed to constitute Investments in an amount equal to the Fair Market Value of the Investments at the time of the designation. Such designation will only be permitted if a Restricted Payment in that amount would be permitted at that time and if the Restricted Subsidiary otherwise meets the definition of an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

For purposes of determining compliance with this covenant, in the event that Restricted Payment meets the criteria of more than one of the exceptions described in (1) through (17) above or is entitled to be made pursuant to the first paragraph of this covenant, Great Lakes shall, in its sole discretion, classify the Restricted Payment in any manner that complies with the covenant. The amount of all Restricted Payments (other than cash) shall be the Fair Market Value on the date of the Restricted Payment of the asset(s) or securities proposed to be transferred or issued by Great Lakes or the Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, pursuant to the Restricted Payment. The Fair Market Value of any non-cash Restricted Payment or return of capital on any Restricted Subsidiary shall be determined by the Board of Directors whose resolution regarding the Fair Market Value shall be delivered to the trustee, the determination to be based upon an opinion or appraisal issued by an accounting, appraisal or investment banking firm of national standing if the Fair Market Value exceeds \$20.0 million. Not later than the 30 days after the date of making any Restricted Payment, Great Lakes shall deliver to the trustee an Officers' Certificate stating that the Restricted Payment is permitted and setting forth the basis upon which the calculations required by this covenant were computed, together with a copy of any fairness opinion or appraisal required by the indenture.

### Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock

Great Lakes will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, create, incur, issue, assume, guarantee or otherwise become directly or indirectly liable, contingently or otherwise, with respect to (collectively, "incur") any Indebtedness (including Acquired Debt) and Great Lakes will not issue any Disqualified Stock and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to issue any shares of preferred stock; provided, however, that Great Lakes may incur Indebtedness (including Acquired Debt) or issue shares of Disqualified Stock and Great Lakes' Restricted Subsidiaries may incur Indebtedness or issue shares of preferred

stock if the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio for Great Lakes' most recently ended four full fiscal quarters for which internal financial statements are available immediately preceding the date on which the additional Indebtedness is incurred or the Disqualified Stock or preferred stock is issued would have been at least 2.0 to 1, determined on a pro forma basis (including a pro forma application of the net proceeds therefrom), as if the additional Indebtedness had been incurred, or the Disqualified Stock or preferred stock had been issued, as the case may be, at the beginning of such four-quarter period; provided that the maximum principal amount of Indebtedness (including Acquired Debt), Disqualified Stock and preferred stock that may be incurred or issued, as applicable, pursuant to this paragraph by Restricted Subsidiaries that are not Guarantors shall not exceed \$50.0 million.

The provisions of the first paragraph of this covenant will not apply to the incurrence of any of the following items of Indebtedness (collectively, "Permitted Debt"):

(1) the incurrence by Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Indebtedness and reimbursement obligations under letters of credit under the Credit Facilities (including any guarantee of the Indebtedness by any Restricted Subsidiary); provided that the aggregate principal amount of all Indebtedness outstanding under all Credit Facilities after giving effect to the incurrence does not exceed an amount equal to \$250.0 million (with letters of credit being deemed to have a principal amount equal to the maximum face amount thereunder) plus (in the case of any refinancing) the aggregate amount of fees, underwriting discounts, premiums and other costs and expenses incurred in connection with the refinancing, less the aggregate amount of all Net Proceeds of Asset Sales applied by Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary to repay any term Indebtedness under Credit Facilities pursuant to the covenant "— Repurchase at the Option of Holders—Asset Sales";

(2) the incurrence by Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries of the Existing Indebtedness;

(3) the incurrence by Great Lakes and the Guarantors of Indebtedness evidenced by the notes and related Guarantees issued in this offering, and any exchange notes and related Guarantees issued in respect of notes outstanding under the indenture;

(4) the incurrence by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness represented by Capital Lease Obligations, mortgage or construction financings or purchase money obligations or similar financings or refinancings thereof, in each case incurred for the purpose of financing or refinancing all or any part of the purchase price or cost of design, installation, construction, repair or improvement of property (real or personal), plant or equipment used in the business of Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary (whether through the direct acquisition, construction, repair or improvement of such assets or the acquisition of Equity Interests of any Person acquiring, constructing, repairing, improving or otherwise owning such assets), in an aggregate principal amount (which amount may, but need not, be incurred in whole or in part after the Issue Date under the Credit Facilities) not to exceed the greater of: (A) \$75.0 million or (B) 12.5% of Total Tangible Assets (measured at the time of each incurrence of any such Indebtedness), in either case outstanding at any time;

(5) the incurrence by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness in exchange for, or the net proceeds of which are used to refund, refinance or replace Indebtedness (other than intercompany Indebtedness) that would have been permitted by the indenture to be incurred under the first paragraph hereof or clauses (2), (3), (5) and (14) of this paragraph;

(6) the incurrence by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of intercompany Indebtedness between or among Great Lakes and any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; *provided, however*, that (A) if Great Lakes is the obligor on this Indebtedness, the Indebtedness is expressly subordinated to the prior payment in full in cash of all Obligations with respect to the notes, (B) if any Guarantor is the obligor on this Indebtedness to a Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Guarantor, the Indebtedness is expressly subordinated to the prior payment in full in cash of all Obligations with respect to the Guarantee of such Guarantor and (C) (i) any subsequent issuance or transfer of Equity Interests that results in any Indebtedness being held by a Person other than Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary and (ii) any sale or other transfer of any

Indebtedness to a Person that is not either Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary shall be deemed, in each case, to constitute an incurrence of Indebtedness by Great Lakes or the Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, that was not permitted by this clause (6);

(7) the incurrence by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Hedging Obligations (other than for speculative purposes);

(8) the incurrence by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness (in addition to Indebtedness permitted by other clauses of this paragraph) in an aggregate principal amount (or accreted value, as applicable) at any time outstanding, including all Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness incurred to refund, refinance or replace any Indebtedness incurred pursuant to this clause (8), not to exceed \$50.0 million;

(9) the guarantee by Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Indebtedness of Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary, which Indebtedness was permitted to be incurred by another provision of this covenant; provided that in the case of a guarantee by any Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Guarantor, such Restricted Subsidiary complies with the covenant described below under "—Limitation on Issuance of Guarantees of Indebtedness";

(10) Indebtedness of Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary owed to (including obligations in respect of letters of credit for the benefit of) any Person in connection with worker's compensation, health, disability or other employee benefits or property, casualty or liability insurance provided by such Person to Great Lakes or the Restricted Subsidiary, pursuant to reimbursement or indemnification obligations to such Person, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business and consistent with past practices;

(11) the incurrence of Permitted Bonding Obligations;

(12) the incurrence of Indebtedness arising from agreements of Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary providing for indemnification, adjustment of purchase price or similar obligations, in each case, incurred or assumed in connection with the acquisition or disposition of any business, assets or Capital Stock of a Restricted Subsidiary; provided that with respect to any such disposition, the maximum aggregate liability of this Indebtedness shall at no time exceed the gross proceeds actually received by Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with any such disposition;

(13) the issuance by any of Great Lakes' Restricted Subsidiaries to Great Lakes or to any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of shares of preferred stock; *provided, however*, that:

- any subsequent issuance or transfer of Equity Interests that results in any such preferred stock being held by a Person other than Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes; and
- any sale or other transfer of any such preferred stock to a Person that is not either Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes;

will be deemed, in each case, to constitute an issuance of such preferred stock by such Restricted Subsidiary that was not permitted by this clause (13);

(14) the incurrence by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries of Indebtedness (in addition to Indebtedness permitted by other clauses of this paragraph) to finance the repurchase of the Designated Vessels, which are utilized at the time of incurrence by Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary under operating leases, in each case on terms not materially less favorable on the whole than those set forth in the repurchase provisions contained in such operating leases as in effect as of the Issue Date;

(15) the guarantee by Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary of Indebtedness of any entity which is not wholly owned by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; provided that the maximum liability of Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary thereunder does not exceed \$15.0 million at any time; and

(16) Indebtedness incurred as a result of the accounting for an extension of the term of any lease existing on the Issue Date as a capital lease under GAAP as a result of such extension.

For purposes of determining compliance with this covenant, in the event that an item of Indebtedness meets the criteria of more than one of the categories of Permitted Debt described in clauses (1) through (16) above or is entitled to be incurred pursuant to the first paragraph of this covenant, Great Lakes shall, in its sole discretion, classify (or later reclassify in whole or in part, in its sole discretion) that item of Indebtedness in any manner that complies with this covenant. Accrual of interest, accretion or amortization of original issue discount, the payment of interest on any Indebtedness in the form of additional Indebtedness with the same terms, and the payment of dividends on Disqualified Stock in the form of additional shares of the same class of Disqualified Stock will not be deemed to be an incurrence of Indebtedness or an issuance of Disqualified Stock for purposes of this covenant, the maximum amount of Indebtedness that Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary may incur pursuant to this covenant shall not be deemed to be exceeded solely as a result of fluctuations in exchange rates or currency values. The principal amount of any Indebtedness supported by a letter of credit issued under a Credit Facility in accordance with clause (1) above shall not be deemed a separate incurrence of Indebtedness for purposes of this covenant, but only to the extent of the stated amount of such letter of credit.

The amount of any Indebtedness outstanding as of any date will be:

- (1) the accreted valued of the Indebtedness in the case of any Indebtedness issued with original issue discount;
- (2) the maximum fixed redemption liability with respect to any Disqualified Stock or preferred stock of a Restricted Subsidiary;
- (3) the principal amount of the Indebtedness, in the case of any other Indebtedness; and

(4) in respect of Indebtedness of another Person secured by a Lien on the assets of the specified Person, the lesser of:

- the Fair Market Value of such asset at the date of determination, and
- the amount of the Indebtedness of the other Person.

### Limitation on Liens

Great Lakes will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien securing Indebtedness or trade payables on any asset now owned or hereafter acquired, including any income or profits therefrom, except

- Permitted Liens;
- in the case of Liens securing Indebtedness that is expressly subordinate or junior in right of payment to the notes or a Guarantee, the notes or such Guarantee, as the case may be, are secured by a Lien on property, assets or proceeds that is senior in priority to the Liens (with the same relative priority as the subordinate or junior Indebtedness shall have with respect to the notes and the Guarantees); and
- in the case of Liens securing Indebtedness that is pari passu with the notes or a Guarantee, then the notes or such Guarantee, as the case may be, are secured by the Lien on an equal and ratable basis.

### Limitation on Dividends and Other Payment Restrictions Affecting Subsidiaries

Great Lakes will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, directly or indirectly, create or otherwise cause or suffer to exist or become effective any encumbrance or restriction on the ability of any Restricted Subsidiary to:

(1) pay dividends or make any other distributions to Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries on its Capital Stock or with respect to any other interest or participation in, or measured by, its profits, or pay any Indebtedness or other liabilities owed to Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries;

(2) make loans or advances to Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; or

(3) transfer any of its properties or assets to Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries.

The first paragraph of this covenant will not apply to encumbrances or restrictions existing under or by reason of:

(1) Existing Indebtedness as in effect on the Issue Date;

(2) the Credit Agreement and Permitted Bonding Obligations as in effect as of the Issue Date, and any amendments, modifications, restatements, renewals, increases, supplements, refundings, replacements or refinancings, provided that any amendments, modifications, restatements, renewals, increases, supplements, refundings, replacement or refinancings are not materially more restrictive, taken as a whole, with respect to dividend and other payment restrictions than those contained in the Credit Agreement or in agreements with respect to Permitted Bonding Obligations, as applicable, as in effect on the Issue Date;

(3) the indenture, the notes (including the exchange notes) and the Guarantees (including the Guarantees of the exchange notes);

(4) applicable law, rule, regulation or order;

(5) any instrument governing Indebtedness or Capital Stock of a Person acquired by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries as in effect at the time of acquisition (except to the extent the Indebtedness was incurred in connection with or in contemplation of the acquisition), which encumbrance or restriction is not applicable to any Person, or the properties or assets of any Person, other than the Person, or the property or assets of the Person, so acquired, provided that, in the case of Indebtedness, the Indebtedness was permitted by the terms of the indenture to be incurred;

(6) customary non-assignment provisions in leases, licenses, charters or other similar agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business;

(7) purchase money obligations for property acquired in the ordinary course of business that impose restrictions of the nature described in clause (3) of the first paragraph of this covenant on the property so acquired;

(8) any agreement for the sale of a Restricted Subsidiary that restricts distributions by that Restricted Subsidiary pending its sale;

(9) Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness, provided that the restrictions contained in the agreements governing Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness are not materially more restrictive, taken as a whole, than those contained in the agreements governing the Indebtedness being refinanced;

(10) secured Indebtedness otherwise permitted to be incurred pursuant to the provisions of the covenant described above under the caption "— Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock" and "—Limitation on Liens" that limits the right of the debtor to dispose of the assets (including any insurance, leases and charters relating to such assets, and any proceeds thereof) securing the Indebtedness;

(11) provisions with respect to the disposition or distribution of assets or property in joint venture agreements and other similar agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business;

(12) restrictions on cash or other deposits or net worth imposed by customers under contracts entered into in the ordinary course of business;

(13) mortgage, construction, purchase money or similar financings that impose restrictions on the transfer of the property acquired, constructed repaired or improved;

(14) encumbrances or restrictions imposed by amendments to the contracts, agreements or obligations referred to in the foregoing clauses (1), (3), (5), (6), (7), (8), (10), (11), (12) and (13), provided that the amendments are not materially more restrictive than the agreement so amended;

(15) any other agreement, instrument or document relating to Indebtedness hereafter in effect, provided, that the terms and conditions of such encumbrances or restrictions are not materially more restrictive taken as a whole than those encumbrances or restrictions imposed in connection with the Credit Agreement as in effect on the Issue Date (which may result in encumbrances or restrictions upon a Restricted Subsidiary so long as such encumbrances or restrictions are not materially more restrictive taken as a whole than the comparable restriction that is applicable to Great Lakes); or

(16) encumbrances or restrictions contained in any Indebtedness incurred by a Foreign Subsidiary that apply only to such Foreign Subsidiary.

### Limitation on Mergers, Consolidations or Sales of Assets

Great Lakes will not consolidate or merge with or into (whether or not Great Lakes is the surviving corporation), or sell, assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of its properties or assets in one or more related transactions, to another Person unless:

(1) Great Lakes is the surviving corporation or the entity or the Person formed by or surviving the consolidation or merger (if other than Great Lakes) or to which the sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition shall have been made is a corporation, limited liability company or partnership organized or existing under the laws of the United States, any individual state or the District of Columbia; provided, however, that if such Person is a limited liability company or partnership, a corporate Wholly-Owned Restricted Subsidiary of such Person becomes a co-issuer of the notes in connection therewith;

(2) the entity or Person formed by or surviving any consolidation or merger (if other than Great Lakes) or the entity or Person to which the sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition shall have been made assumes all the then existing obligations of Great Lakes under the Registration Rights Agreement, the notes and the indenture pursuant to a supplemental indenture in the form contemplated by the indenture and otherwise reasonably satisfactory to the trustee;

(3) immediately after the transaction no Default or Event of Default exists; and

(4) except in the case of a merger or consolidation of Great Lakes with or into a Wholly Owned Subsidiary of Great Lakes, Great Lakes or the Person formed by or surviving the consolidation or merger (if other than Great Lakes), or to which the sale, assignment, transfer, lease, conveyance or other disposition shall have been made will, at the time of the transaction and after giving pro forma effect to it as if the transaction had occurred at the beginning of the applicable four-quarter period, (A) be permitted to incur at least \$1.00 of additional Indebtedness pursuant to the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio test set forth in the first paragraph of the covenant described above under the caption "—Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock" or (B) have a Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio that is greater than the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio of Great Lakes without giving effect to the transaction.

Great Lakes will not, directly or indirectly, lease all or substantially all of its properties or assets to any Person. This "Merger, Consolidation or Sale of Assets" covenant will not apply to any sale, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of assets (including by way of merger or consolidation) between or among Great Lakes and any of its Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries that are Guarantors.

Upon any consolidation or merger, or any sale, assignment, transfer, conveyance or other disposition by Great Lakes (other than by lease) of all or substantially all of the properties and assets of Great Lakes, in accordance with this covenant, the successor Person formed by such consolidation or into which Great Lakes is merged or to which such transfer is made shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, Great Lakes under the indenture and the notes. In the event of any such transfer (other than a transfer of less than all of the properties and assets of Great Lakes), Great Lakes shall be released and discharged from all liabilities and obligations in respect of the notes and the indenture, and Great Lakes may be dissolved, wound up or liquidated at any time thereafter.

### Limitation on Transactions with Affiliates

Great Lakes will not, and will not permit any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to, make any payment to, or sell, lease, transfer or otherwise dispose of any of its properties or assets to, or purchase any property or assets from, or enter into or make or amend any transaction, contract, agreement, understanding, loan, advance or guarantee with, or for the benefit of, any Affiliate, each, an "Affiliate Transaction," unless:

(1) the Affiliate Transaction is on terms that are no less favorable to Great Lakes or the relevant Restricted Subsidiary than those that would have been obtained in a comparable transaction by Great Lakes or the Restricted Subsidiary with an unrelated Person, and

(2) Great Lakes delivers to the trustee:

- with respect to any Affiliate Transaction or series of related Affiliate Transactions involving aggregate consideration in excess of \$2.0 million, a resolution of the Board of Directors of Great Lakes set forth in an Officers' Certificate certifying that the Affiliate Transaction complies with clause (1) above and that the Affiliate Transaction has been approved by a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of Great Lakes (and, if there are disinterested directors, a majority thereof) and
- with respect to any Affiliate Transaction or series of related Affiliate Transactions involving aggregate consideration in excess of \$10.0 million, an opinion as to the fairness to Great Lakes or such Restricted Subsidiary of the Affiliate Transaction from a financial point of view issued by an accounting, appraisal or investment banking firm of national standing.

Notwithstanding the preceding provisions of this covenant, the following items shall not be deemed to be Affiliate Transactions:

(1) any employment agreement, compensation, employee benefit arrangements and incentive arrangements or indemnification agreement or arrangement with any officer, director, member or employee entered into by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business of Great Lakes or the Restricted Subsidiary;

(2) transactions between or among Great Lakes and/or its Restricted Subsidiaries;

(3) payment of reasonable directors fees and customary indemnification agreements with directors and officers of Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries or any direct or indirect parent of Great Lakes;

(4) Restricted Payments that are permitted by the provisions of the indenture described above under the caption "—Restricted Payments";

(5) loans and advances to officers, directors and employees of Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary for travel, entertainment, moving and other relocation expenses, in each case made in the ordinary course of business;

(6) transactions with a Person (other than an Unrestricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes) that is an Affiliate of Great Lakes solely because Great Lakes owns, directly or through a Restricted Subsidiary, an Equity Interest in, or controls, such Person;

(7) the issuance of Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of Great Lakes to any direct or indirect parent of Great Lakes;

(8) transactions with customers, clients, suppliers or purchasers or sellers of goods or services, in each case in the ordinary course of business and otherwise in compliance with the terms of the indenture that are on terms no less favorable than those that would have been obtained in a comparable transaction with an unrelated party or on terms that are approved by the Board of Directors of Great Lakes, including a majority of the disinterested directors, if any;

(9) transactions pursuant to any contract or agreement described under the caption "Certain Relationships and Related Person Transactions— Agreements with Related Persons" in Great Lakes' Proxy Statement on Form DEF 14A as filed with the Commission on April 6, 2010, as in effect on the Issue Date, in each case as amended, modified or replaced from time to time so long as the amended, modified or new agreements, taken as a whole, are no less favorable to Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries than those in effect on the Issue Date; and

(10) any payments or other transactions pursuant to any tax-sharing agreement between Great Lakes and any other Person with which Great Lakes files a consolidated tax return or with which Great Lakes is part of a consolidated group for tax purposes.

#### Limitation on Business Activities

Great Lakes will not, and will not permit any Restricted Subsidiary to, engage in any business other than Permitted Businesses, except to the extent as would not be material to Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

#### Limitation on Payments for Consent

Neither Great Lakes nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries will, directly or indirectly, pay or cause to be paid any consideration, whether by way of interest, fee or otherwise, to any holder of any notes for or as an inducement to any consent, waiver or amendment of any of the terms or provisions of the indenture or the notes unless the consideration is offered to be paid or is paid to all holders of the notes that consent, waive or agree to amend in the time frame set forth in the solicitation documents relating to the consent, waiver or agreement.

#### Limitations on Issuances of Guarantees of Indebtedness

Great Lakes will cause any Restricted Subsidiary (other than an Excluded Subsidiary), whether currently existing, or subsequently acquired or created, that guarantees Great Lakes' Obligations or the Obligations of any other Restricted Subsidiary under the Credit Agreement to fully and unconditionally guarantee all of Great Lakes' or such Restricted Subsidiary's Obligations under the notes and the indenture on the terms set forth in the indenture. Thereafter, such Restricted Subsidiary shall be a Guarantor for all purposes of the indenture until released in accordance with the terms of the indenture. Any such Guarantee shall provide by its terms that it shall be automatically and unconditionally released and discharged as described above under "—Limitation on Guarantees."

#### Reports

Whether or not required by the rules and regulations of the Commission, so long as any notes are outstanding, Great Lakes will file with the Commission (unless the Commission will not accept such filing) and furnish to the trustee and the holders of notes:

(1) all quarterly and annual financial and other information that would be required to be contained in a filing with the Commission on Forms 10-Q and 10-K if Great Lakes was required to file these Forms, including a "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" that describes the financial condition and results of operations of Great Lakes and its consolidated Subsidiaries (showing in reasonable detail, either on the face of the financial statements or in the footnotes, the financial condition and results of operations of Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries separate from the financial condition and results of operations of the Unrestricted Subsidiaries of Great Lakes) and, with respect to the annual information only, a report thereon by Great Lakes' certified independent accountants; and

(2) all current reports that would be required to be filed with the Commission on Form 8-K if Great Lakes were required to file these reports, in each case within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and regulations;

provided, however, that Great Lakes will not be required to furnish such information to the trustee or the registered holders of the notes to the extent such information is electronically filed with the Commission and is electronically available to the public free of cost.

In addition, (1) at all times the Commission does not accept the filings provided for in the preceding sentence or (2) the filings provided for in the preceding sentence do not contain the information required to be delivered upon request pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act, then, in each case, Great Lakes has agreed that, for so long as any notes remain outstanding, it will furnish to the holders and to securities analysts and prospective investors, upon their request, the information required to be delivered pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act.

### **Events of Default and Remedies**

The indenture provides that each of the following constitutes an "Event of Default":

(1) default for 30 days in the payment when due of interest on, or Additional Interest with respect to, the notes;

(2) default in payment when due of the principal of or premium, if any, on the notes;

(3) failure by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to comply with the provisions described under the caption "—Repurchase at the Option of Holders—Change of Control";

(4) failure by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries for 60 days after notice by the trustee or by the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of notes then outstanding to comply with any of its other agreements in the indenture or the notes;

(5) default under any mortgage, indenture or instrument under which there may be issued or by which there may be secured or evidenced any Indebtedness for money borrowed by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (or the payment of which is guaranteed by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) whether the Indebtedness or guarantee now exists, or is created after the Issue Date, which default

- is caused by a failure to pay principal on such Indebtedness at final stated maturity prior to the expiration of the grace period provided in the Indebtedness on the date of the default (a "Payment Default") or
- results in the acceleration of the Indebtedness prior to its stated maturity

and, in each case, the principal amount of any Indebtedness, together with the principal amount of any other such Indebtedness under which there has been a Payment Default or the maturity of which has been so accelerated (after giving effect to any applicable grace period), aggregates \$20.0 million or more;

(6) failure by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to pay final judgments aggregating in excess of \$20.0 million (net of any amount with respect to which a reputable insurance company with assets over \$100.0 million has acknowledged liability in writing), which judgments are not paid, discharged or stayed for a period of 60 days after their entry;

(7) certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency with respect to Great Lakes or any of its Significant Subsidiaries; and

(8) except as permitted by the indenture, any Guarantee of any Significant Subsidiary (or group of Guarantors that, collectively, would be a Significant Subsidiary) shall be held in any judicial proceeding to be unenforceable or invalid or shall cease for any reason to be in full force and effect or any Guarantor that is a Significant Subsidiary (or group of Guarantors that, collectively, would be a Significant Subsidiary), or any Person acting on behalf of any Guarantor that is a Significant Subsidiary (or group of Guarantors that, collectively, would be a Significant Subsidiary), shall deny or disaffirm its obligations under its Guarantee.

If any Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the then outstanding notes may declare all the notes to be due and payable immediately. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the case of an Event of Default arising from certain events of bankruptcy or insolvency, with respect to Great Lakes, any Significant Subsidiary or any group of Subsidiaries that, taken

together, would constitute a Significant Subsidiary, all outstanding notes will become due and payable without further action or notice. Holders of the notes may not enforce the indenture or the notes except as provided in the indenture.

Subject to certain limitations, holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding notes may direct the trustee in its exercise of any trust or power. However, the trustee may refuse to follow any direction that conflicts with law or the indenture, that may involve the trustee in personal liability, or that the trustee determines in good faith may be unduly prejudicial to the rights of holders of notes not joining in the giving of such direction, and may take any other action it deems proper that is not inconsistent with any such direction received from holders of a majority in principal amount of notes. The trustee may withhold from holders of the notes notice of any continuing Default or Event of Default or Event of Default relating to the payment of principal or interest) if it determines that withholding notice is in their interest.

In the event of a declaration of acceleration of the notes because an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing as a result of the acceleration of any Indebtedness described in clause (5) of the first paragraph of this section (excluding any resulting payment default under the indenture or the notes), the declaration of acceleration of the notes shall be automatically annulled if the holders of all Indebtedness described in such clause (5) have rescinded the declaration of acceleration in respect of such Indebtedness within 20 days of the date of such declaration, and if the annulment of the acceleration of the notes would not conflict with any judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, and all existing Events of Default, except non-payment of principal or interest on the notes that became due solely because of the acceleration of the notes, have been cured or waived.

The holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the notes then outstanding by notice to the trustee may on behalf of the holders of all of the notes waive any existing Default or Event of Default and its consequences under the indenture except a continuing Default or Event of Default in the payment of interest on, or the principal of, premium or Additional Interest, if any, on the notes. The holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding notes by written notice to Great Lakes and to the trustee may waive all past defaults and rescind and annul a declaration of acceleration and its consequences if:

(1) all existing Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the principal of, premium, or Additional Interest if any, and interest on the notes that have become due solely by the declaration of acceleration, have been cured or waived; and

(2) the rescission would not conflict with any judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction.

A holder may not institute any proceeding, judicial or otherwise, with respect to the indenture or the notes, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy under the indenture or the notes, unless:

(1) the holder has previously given to the trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default;

(2) holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of outstanding notes have made written request to the trustee to institute proceedings in respect of the Event of Default in its own name as trustee under the indenture;

(3) holders have offered to the trustee indemnity reasonably satisfactory to the trustee against any costs, liabilities or expenses to be incurred in compliance with such request;

(4) the trustee for 60 days after its receipt of such notice, request and offer of indemnity has failed to institute any such proceeding; and

(5) during such 60-day period, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding notes have not given the trustee a direction that is inconsistent with such written request.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the right of a holder of a note to receive payment of principal of or interest on its note on or after the Stated Maturity thereof, or to bring suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such dates, may not be impaired or affected without the consent of that holder.

Great Lakes is required to deliver to the trustee annually a statement regarding compliance with the indenture, and Great Lakes is required upon becoming aware of any Default or Event of Default, to deliver to the trustee a statement specifying the Default or Event of Default.

### No Personal Liability of Directors, Officers, Employees and Stockholders

No director, officer, employee, incorporator or stockholder of Great Lakes shall have any liability for any obligations of Great Lakes under the notes, the indenture or the Guarantees or for any claim based on, in respect of, or by reason of, such obligations or their creation. Each holder of notes by accepting a note waives and releases all such liability. The waiver and release are part of the consideration for issuance of the notes. Such waiver may not be effective to waive liabilities under the federal securities laws and it is the view of the Commission that this type of waiver is against public policy.

#### Legal Defeasance and Covenant Defeasance

Great Lakes may, at its option and at any time, elect to have all of its obligations discharged with respect to the outstanding notes and all obligations of the Guarantors discharged with respect to their Guarantees ("Legal Defeasance") except for:

(1) the rights of holders of outstanding notes to receive payments in respect of the principal of, or interest or premium and Additional Interest, if any, on such notes when such payments are due from the trust referred to below;

(2) Great Lakes' obligations with respect to the notes concerning issuing temporary notes, registration of notes, mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen notes and the maintenance of an office or agency for payment and money for security payments held in trust;

(3) the rights, powers, trusts, duties and immunities of the trustee, and Great Lakes' and the Guarantors' obligations in connection therewith; and

(4) the Legal Defeasance provisions of the indenture.

In addition, Great Lakes may, at its option and at any time, elect to have the obligations of Great Lakes and the Guarantors released with respect to certain covenants that are described in the indenture ("Covenant Defeasance") and thereafter any omission to comply with those covenants will not constitute a Default or Event of Default with respect to the notes. In the event Covenant Defeasance occurs, certain events (not including non-payment, bankruptcy, receivership, rehabilitation and insolvency events) described under "Events of Default and Remedies" will no longer constitute an Event of Default with respect to the notes.

#### In order to exercise either Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance:

(1) Great Lakes must irrevocably deposit with the trustee, in trust, for the benefit of the holders of the notes, cash in U.S. dollars, non-callable Government Securities, or a combination of cash in U.S. dollars and non-callable Government Securities, in amounts as will be sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants, expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the trustee, to pay the principal of, and interest and premium and Additional Interest, if any, on, the outstanding notes on the stated maturity or on the applicable redemption date, as the case may be, and Great Lakes must specify whether the notes are being defeased to maturity or to a particular redemption date;

(2) in the case of Legal Defeasance, Great Lakes has delivered to the trustee an opinion of counsel reasonably acceptable to the trustee confirming that (a) Great Lakes has received from the Internal Revenue Service a ruling directed to it or (b) since the Issue Date, there has been a change in the applicable federal income tax law (including by reason of a published ruling from the Internal Revenue Service), in either case to the effect that, and based thereon such opinion of counsel will confirm that, the holders of the outstanding notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such Legal

Defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Legal Defeasance had not occurred;

(3) in the case of Covenant Defeasance, Great Lakes has delivered to the trustee an opinion of counsel reasonably acceptable to the trustee confirming that the holders of the outstanding notes will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such Covenant Defeasance and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such Covenant Defeasance had not occurred;

(4) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing on the date of such deposit (other than a Default or Event of Default resulting from the borrowing of funds to be applied to such deposit);

(5) such Legal Defeasance or Covenant Defeasance will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under any material agreement or instrument (other than the indenture) to which Great Lakes or any of its Subsidiaries is a party or by which Great Lakes or any of its Subsidiaries is bound;

(6) Great Lakes must deliver to the trustee an officers' certificate stating that the deposit was not made by Great Lakes with the intent of preferring the holders of notes over the other creditors of Great Lakes with the intent of defeating, hindering, delaying or defrauding creditors of Great Lakes or others; and

(7) Great Lakes must deliver to the trustee an officers' certificate and an opinion of counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent relating to the Legal Defeasance or the Covenant Defeasance have been complied with.

#### Amendment, Supplement and Waiver

Except as provided in the next two succeeding paragraphs, the indenture, the Guarantees or the notes may be amended or supplemented with the consent of the holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the notes then outstanding (including, without limitation, consents obtained in connection with a purchase of, or tender offer or exchange offer for, notes), and any existing Default or compliance with any provision of the indenture, the notes or the Guarantees may be waived with the consent of the holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding notes (including, without limitation, consents obtained in connection with a purchase of, or tender offer or exchange offer for, notes).

Without the consent of each holder affected, an amendment or waiver may not (with respect to any notes held by a non-consenting holder):

(1) reduce the principal amount of notes whose holders must consent to an amendment, supplement or waiver;

(2) reduce the principal of or change the fixed maturity of any note or alter the provisions with respect to the redemption or repurchase of the notes (other than provisions relating to the covenants described above under the caption "—Repurchase at the Option of Holders");

(3) reduce the rate of or change the time for payment of interest on any note;

(4) waive a Default or Event of Default in the payment of principal of or premium or Additional Interest, if any, or interest on the notes (except a rescission of acceleration of the notes by the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the notes and a waiver of the payment default that resulted from the acceleration);

(5) make any note payable in money other than that stated in the notes;

(6) make any change in the provisions of the indenture relating to waivers of past Defaults or the rights of holders of notes to receive payments of principal of or premium, if any, or interest on the notes;

(7) waive a redemption or repurchase payment with respect to any note (other than a payment required by one of the covenants described above under the caption "—Repurchase at the Option of Holders");

(8) release any Guarantor from any of its obligations under its Guarantee or the indenture, except in accordance with the terms of the indenture;

(9) expressly subordinate in right of payment the notes or any Guarantee to any other Indebtedness of Great Lakes or any Guarantor; or

(10) make any change in the foregoing amendment and waiver provisions.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, without the consent of any holder of notes, the Guarantors, Great Lakes and the trustee may amend or supplement the indenture, the Guarantees or the notes:

(1) to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency;

(2) to provide for uncertificated notes in addition to or in place of certificated notes;

(3) to provide for the assumption of Great Lakes' or a Guarantor's obligations to holders of notes in the case of a merger or consolidation or sale of all or substantially all of Great Lakes' assets that is permitted by the indenture;

(4) to provide for the issuance of additional notes in accordance with the provisions set forth in the indenture on the Issue Date;

(5) to make any change that would provide any additional rights or benefits to the holders of notes or that does not adversely affect the legal rights under the indenture of any holder;

(6) to comply with requirements of the Commission in order to effect or maintain the qualification of the indenture under the Trust Indenture Act;

(7) to allow any Guarantor to guarantee the notes; or

(8) to conform any provision of the indenture to this "Description of Notes."

### Satisfaction and Discharge

The indenture will be discharged and will cease to be of further effect as to all notes issued thereunder, when:

(1) either:

(a) all notes that have been authenticated, except lost, stolen or destroyed notes that have been replaced or paid and notes for whose payment money has been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to Great Lakes, have been delivered to the trustee for cancellation; or

(b) all notes that have not been delivered to the trustee for cancellation have become due and payable by reason of the mailing of a notice of redemption or otherwise or will become due and payable within one year, and Great Lakes has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the trustee as trust funds in trust solely for the benefit of the holders, cash in U.S. dollars, non-callable Government Securities, or a combination of cash in U.S. dollars and non-callable Government Securities, in such amounts as will be sufficient without consideration of any reinvestment of interest, to pay and discharge the entire Indebtedness on the notes not delivered to the trustee for cancellation for principal, premium and Additional Interest, if any, and accrued interest to the date of maturity or redemption;

(2) no Default or Event of Default has occurred and is continuing on the date of the deposit or will occur as a result of the deposit and the deposit will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, any other instrument to which Great Lakes or any Guarantor is a party or by which Great Lakes or any Guarantor is bound;

(3) Great Lakes has paid or caused to be paid all sums payable by it under the indenture; and

(4) Great Lakes has delivered irrevocable instructions to the trustee under the indenture to apply the deposited money toward the payment of the notes at maturity or the redemption date, as the case may be.

In addition, Great Lakes must deliver an officers' certificate and an opinion of counsel to the trustee stating that all conditions precedent to satisfaction and discharge have been satisfied.

### **Concerning the Trustee**

The indenture contains limitations set forth in the Trust Indenture Act on the rights of the trustee, should it become a creditor of Great Lakes, to obtain payment of claims in certain cases, or to realize on property received in respect of any claim as security or otherwise. The trustee will be permitted to engage in other transactions; however, if it acquires any conflicting interest as defined by the Trust Indenture Act it must eliminate the conflict within 90 days, apply to the Commission for permission to continue or resign.

The holders of a majority in principal amount of the then outstanding notes will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for exercising any remedy available to the trustee, subject to exceptions defined in the indenture. The indenture will provide that in case an Event of Default shall occur (which shall not be cured or waived), the trustee will be required, in the exercise of the rights and powers vested in it by the indenture, to use the degree of care and skill in their exercise of a prudent man in the conduct of his own affairs under the circumstances. Subject to these provisions, the trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under the indenture at the direction or request of any holder of notes, unless the holder shall have offered to the trustee security and indemnity satisfactory to it against any loss, liability or expense.

#### Methods of Receiving Payments on the Notes

All principal, premium and Additional Interest, if any, and interest on the notes will be payable at the office or agency of Great Lakes maintained for this purpose within or without the City and State of New York or, at the option of Great Lakes, payment of principal, premium, interest and Additional Interest, if any, may be made by check mailed to the holders of the notes at their respective addresses set forth in the register of holders of notes; provided that all payments of principal, premium, interest and Additional Interest, if any, with respect to notes the holders of which have given wire transfer instructions to Great Lakes will be required to be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the accounts specified by the holders of the notes. Until otherwise designated by Great Lakes, Great Lakes' office or agency will be the office of the trustee maintained for this purpose. Under the indenture, Great Lakes and the trustee will treat the Person in whose name the notes are registered as a holder. Consequently, an owner of a beneficial interest in a global note will not be considered a holder under the indenture.

#### Paying Agent and Registrar for the Notes

The trustee under the indenture initially will be the paying agent and registrar with regard to the notes. Great Lakes may change the paying agent or registrar without prior notice to the holders of the notes, and Great Lakes or any of its Subsidiaries may act as paying agent or registrar.

#### **Transfer and Exchange**

A holder may transfer or exchange notes in accordance with the indenture. The registrar and the trustee may require a holder to furnish appropriate endorsements and transfer documents in connection with a transfer of notes. Holders will be required to pay all taxes due on transfer. Great Lakes is not required to transfer or exchange any note selected for redemption. Also, Great Lakes is not required to transfer or exchange any note for a period of 15 days before a selection of notes to be redeemed.

### **Certain Definitions**

Set forth below are certain defined terms used in the indenture.

"Acquired Debt" means, with respect to any specified Person:

- Indebtedness of any other Person existing at the time the other Person is merged with or into or became a Subsidiary of the specified Person, including, without limitation, Indebtedness incurred in connection with, or in contemplation of, the other Person merging with or into or becoming a Subsidiary of the specified Person, and
- Indebtedness secured by a Lien encumbering any asset acquired by the specified Person.

"Additional Interest" means all additional interest then owing pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement.

"Affiliate" of any specified Person means any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with the specified Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" (including, with correlative meanings, the terms "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with"), as used with respect to any Person, shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of such Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by agreement or otherwise; provided that beneficial ownership of 10% or more of the Voting Stock of a Person shall be deemed to be control.

"Applicable Premium" means, with respect to any note on any Redemption Date, the greater of:

(1) 1.0% of the principal amount of such note; and

(2) the excess, if any, of (a) the present value at such Redemption Date of (i) the redemption price of such note at February 1, 2015 (such redemption price being set forth in the table appearing above under the caption "Optional Redemption"), plus (ii) all required interest payments due on such note through February 1, 2015 (excluding accrued but unpaid interest to the Redemption Date), computed using a discount rate equal to the Treasury Rate as of such Redemption Date plus 50 basis points; over (b) then outstanding principal amount of such note.

### "Asset Sale" means

(1) the sale, lease, conveyance or other disposition of any assets or rights (including, without limitation, by way of a sale and leaseback) other than sales of inventory in the ordinary course of business consistent with past practices (provided that the sale, conveyance or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of Great Lakes and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole, will be governed by the provisions of the indenture described above under the caption "—Repurchase at the Option of Holders—Change of Control" and/or the provisions described above under the caption "—Mergers, Consolidations or Sales of Assets" and not by the provisions of the "—Repurchase at the Option of Holders—Asset Sales" covenant), and

(2) the issue or sale by any Restricted Subsidiary of Equity Interests of any of Great Lakes' Subsidiaries,

in the case of either clause (1) or (2), whether in a single transaction or a series of related transactions (A) that involve assets or Equity Interests that have a Fair Market Value in excess of \$5.0 million or (B) for Net Proceeds in excess of \$5.0 million. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the following items shall not be deemed to be Asset Sales:

(1) a transfer of assets by Great Lakes to a Restricted Subsidiary or by a Restricted Subsidiary to Great Lakes or to another Restricted Subsidiary;

(2) an issuance, sale, transfer or other disposition of Equity Interests by a Restricted Subsidiary to Great Lakes or to another Restricted Subsidiary;

(3) a Restricted Payment that is permitted by the covenant described above under the caption "—Restricted Payments," or a Permitted Investment;

(4) the sale and leaseback of any assets within 180 days of the date of acquisition or completion of construction of such assets;

(5) the sale or other disposition of assets that have become worn out, obsolete or damaged or no longer used or useful in the business of Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary, as the case may be, in the ordinary course of business;

(6) bareboat charters, leases or licenses entered into in the ordinary course of business for a term not to exceed 12 months;

(7) the sale or other disposition of cash or Cash Equivalents;

(8) the sale or lease of products or services or the licensing of intellectual property, in each case in the ordinary course of business;

(9) the sale for Fair Market Value of accounts receivable that are generated from operations conducted outside the United States by Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary; and

(10) the creation of a Permitted Lien and dispositions in connection with the creation of Permitted Liens.

"Bonding Agreement" means (i) the Third Amended and Restated Underwriting and Continuing Indemnity Agreement by and among Great Lakes, certain of its Subsidiaries and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, and (ii) the International Letter of Credit Agreement, dated September 29, 2006, by and among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and Wells Fargo HSBC Trade Bank, as amended on July 16, 2007, and as further amended on September 29, 2009 (the "International Letter of Credit Facility") (and any related obligations, including, without limitation, any Export-Import Bank guarantee program), in each case, including any related notes, guarantees, collateral documents, instruments and agreements executed in connection therewith, as amended, restated, modified, renewed, refunded, replaced or refinanced in whole or in part from time to time.

"*Capital Lease Obligation*" means, at the time any determination of a capital lease obligation is to be made, the amount of the liability in respect of a capital lease that would at such time be required to be capitalized on a balance sheet in accordance with GAAP.

### "Capital Stock" means

(1) in the case of a corporation, corporate stock,

(2) in the case of an association or business entity, any and all shares, interests, participations, rights or other equivalents (however designated) of corporate stock,

(3) in the case of a partnership or limited liability company, partnership or membership interests (whether general or limited); and

(4) any other interest or participation that confers on a Person the right to receive a share of the profits and losses of, or distributions of assets of, the issuing Person.

### "Cash Equivalents" means

(1) United States dollars or money in other currencies received in the ordinary course of business;

(2) obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States government or any agency of the United States (provided that the full faith and credit of the United States is pledged in support) having maturities of not more than one year from the date of acquisition;

(3) certificates of deposit and eurodollar time deposits with maturities of one year or less from the date of acquisition, bankers' acceptances with maturities not exceeding one year and overnight bank deposits, in each case with any commercial bank having capital and surplus in excess of \$500 million;

(4) repurchase obligations with a term of not more than thirty days for underlying securities of the types described in clauses (2) and (3) above entered into with any institution meeting the qualifications specified in clause (3) above;

(5) obligations issued by any state of the United States of America or any political subdivision of any such state maturing within one year from the date of acquisition and, at the time of acquisition, having one of the two highest ratings obtainable from either Standard & Poor's Corporation ("S&P") or Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ("Moody's");

(6) commercial paper having one of the two highest ratings obtainable from Moody's or S&P and in each case maturing within one year after the date of acquisition;

(7) money market funds at least 95% of the assets of which constitute Cash Equivalents of the kinds described in clauses (1) through (6) of this definition;

(8) short-term asset management accounts offered by any lender under Credit Facilities for the purpose of investing in notes issued by a corporation (other than Great Lakes or any Affiliate of Great Lakes) organized under the laws of any state of the United States or of the District of Columbia and rated A–2 or higher by S&P, or P-2 or higher by Moody's;

(9) securities with maturities of one year or less from the date of acquisition issued or fully and unconditionally guaranteed by any state, commonwealth or territory of the United States of America or the federal government of Canada, or by any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof, and having one of the two highest ratings obtainable from S&P or Moody's;

(10) time or demand deposits with any bank or trust company;

(11) participation in loans made to a borrower (other than an Affiliate of Great Lakes) with a debt rating of A–2 or higher from S&P, or P-2 or higher from Moody's; provided, however, that such loans must mature within one year from the date such participation is purchased;

(12) bonds issued by a municipality or governmental agency and rated not lower than BBB by S&P, or Baa2 by Moody's and purchased by Great Lakes or any of its Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of its business in connection with retainage under contracts with its customers; and

(13) in the case of Foreign Subsidiaries, short term investments comparable to the foregoing.

"Change of Control" means the occurrence of any of the following:

(1) the sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the assets of Great Lakes and its Subsidiaries (determined on a consolidated basis), in each case, to any "person" (as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) of the Exchange Act) other than Great Lakes or a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes;

(2) the adoption of a plan relating to the liquidation or dissolution of Great Lakes (other than in a transaction which complies with the provisions described under "—Mergers, Consolidations or Sales of Assets");

(3) the consummation of any transaction (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any "person" (as defined above) becomes the "beneficial owner" (as that term is defined in Rule 13d-3 and Rule 13d-5 under the Exchange Act, except that a person shall be deemed to have "beneficial ownership" of all securities that person has the right to acquire, whether the right is currently exercisable or is exercisable only upon the occurrence of a subsequent condition), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Voting Stock of Great Lakes (measured by voting power rather than number of shares); or

(4) the first day on which a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of Great Lakes are not Continuing Directors.

The definition of Change of Control includes a phrase relating to the sale, lease, transfer, conveyance, or other disposition of "all or substantially all" of the assets of Great Lakes and its Subsidiaries (determined on a consolidated basis). Although there is a developing body of case law interpreting the phrase "substantially all," there is no precise established definition of the phrase under New York law, which is the law governing the indenture. Accordingly, the ability of a holder of notes to require Great Lakes to repurchase notes as a result of a sale, lease, transfer, conveyance or other disposition of less than all of the assets of Great Lakes and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole to another Person or group may be uncertain.

"*Commission*" means the Securities and Exchange Commission, as from time to time constituted, created under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or if at any time after the execution and delivery of the indenture such Commission is not existing and performing the duties now assigned to it under the Trust Indenture Act, then the body performing such duties on such date.

"Consolidated Cash Flow" means, with respect to any Person for any period, the Consolidated Net Income of such Person for such period plus

(1) an amount equal to any extraordinary or nonrecurring loss (including any loss on extinguishment or conversion of Indebtedness) plus any net loss realized in connection with an Asset Sale (without giving effect to the \$5.0 million threshold provided in the definition thereof), to the extent those losses were deducted in computing the Consolidated Net Income, plus

(2) provision for taxes based on income or profits of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, to the extent that such provision for taxes was deducted in computing the Consolidated Net Income, plus

(3) consolidated Fixed Charges to the extent that any such Fixed Charges were deducted in computing the Consolidated Net Income, plus

(4) depreciation, amortization (including amortization of goodwill and other intangibles but excluding amortization of prepaid cash expenses that were paid in a prior period) and other non-cash items (excluding any non-cash item to the extent that it represents an accrual of or reserve for cash expenses in any future period or amortization of a prepaid cash expense that was paid in a prior period) of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period to the extent that such depreciation, amortization and other non-cash items were deducted in computing the Consolidated Net Income, minus

(5) non-cash items increasing the Consolidated Net Income for such period other than (A) accrual of revenue in the ordinary course of business and (B) reversals of prior accruals or reserves for cash items previously excluded from Consolidated Cash Flow pursuant to clause (4) of this definition,

in each case, on a consolidated basis and determined in accordance with GAAP.

*"Consolidated Net Income"* means, with respect to any Person for any period, the aggregate of the Net Income of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, on a consolidated basis, determined in accordance with GAAP; *provided* that

(1) the Net Income of any Person that is not a Restricted Subsidiary or that is accounted for by the equity method of accounting shall be included only to the extent of the amount of dividends or distributions paid in cash to the referent Person or its Restricted Subsidiary;

(2) the Net Income of any Restricted Subsidiary shall be excluded to the extent that the declaration or payment of dividends or similar distributions by that Restricted Subsidiary of that Net Income is not at the date of determination permitted without any prior governmental approval (that has not been obtained) or,

directly or indirectly, by operation of the terms of its charter or any agreement, instrument, judgment, decree, order, statute, rule or governmental regulation applicable to that Restricted Subsidiary or its stockholders;

(3) the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principles shall be excluded,

(4) the Net Income of any Unrestricted Subsidiary shall be excluded, whether or not distributed to Great Lakes or one of its Subsidiaries,

(5) any non-cash goodwill or other intangible asset impairment charges incurred subsequent to the Issue Date resulting from the application of ASC Topic 350, "Intangibles-Goodwill and Other," ASC Topic 360, "Property, Plant and Equipment" and ASC Topic 805, "Business Combinations" or any related subsequent statement of financial accounting standards shall be excluded;

(6) any non-cash compensation charges, including any such charges arising from stock options, restricted stock grants or other equity-incentive programs shall be excluded;

(7) any increase in amortization or depreciation expense or any one-time non-cash charges resulting from purchase accounting or any non-recurring costs and expenses incurred in connection with the 2003 Transactions, the acquisition of L.W. Matteson, Inc. and the transactions related thereto, or any acquisition that is consummated after the Issue Date shall be excluded;

(8) any fees, expenses and debt issuance costs paid in connection with issuance of the notes shall be excluded;

(9) the Net Income from any disposed or discontinued operations or any net gains or losses on disposed or discontinued operations, on an after tax basis, shall be excluded;

(10) the non-cash gains, losses, income, and expenses resulting from fair value accounting required by ASC Topic 815, "Derivatives and Hedging" or any related subsequent statement of financial accounting standards shall be excluded; and

(11) any net unrealized gain or loss (after any offsets) resulting from any foreign currency translation shall be excluded.

"*Continuing Directors*" means, as of any date of determination, any member of the Board of Directors of Great Lakes who (1) was a member of the Board of Directors on the Issue Date or (2) was nominated for election or elected to the Board of Directors with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of the Board at the time of the nomination or election.

"Credit Agreement" means that Credit Agreement, dated as of June 12, 2007 (as amended on or prior to the Issue Date), by and among Great Lakes, LaSalle Bank National Association, as swing line lender, sole lead arranger and administrative agent, and the other lenders that are party to the Credit Agreement, including any related notes, guarantees, collateral documents, instruments and agreements executed in connection therewith, and in each case as increased as permitted by the terms of the indenture, and amended, modified, renewed, restated, refunded, replaced or refinanced from time to time, including any agreement extending the maturity of, refinancing, replacing or otherwise restructuring (including adding Subsidiaries of Great Lakes as additional borrowers or guarantors thereunder) all or any portion of the Indebtedness under such agreement or any successor or replacement agreement and whether by the same or any other agent, lender or group of lenders or through the issuance of debt securities.

"Credit Facilities" means, with respect to Great Lakes or its Restricted Subsidiaries, one or more debt facilities (including, without limitation, the Credit Agreement) or commercial paper facilities or indentures with banks or other institutional lenders or a trustee providing for revolving credit loans, term loans, receivables financing (including through the sale of receivables to such lenders or to special purpose entities formed to borrow from such lenders against such receivables) or letters of credit or issuance of debt securities to

institutional investors, in each case, as increased as permitted by the terms of the indenture, and amended, restated, modified, renewed, refunded, replaced, restated, substituted or refinanced in whole or in part from time to time.

"Default" means any event that is or with the passage of time or the giving of notice or both would be an Event of Default.

"Designated Non-cash Consideration" means any non-cash consideration received by Great Lakes or one of its Restricted Subsidiaries in connection with an Asset Sale that is designated as Designated Non-cash Consideration pursuant to an Officers' Certificate executed by the Chief Financial Officer of Great Lakes. Such Officers' Certificate shall state the basis of such valuation. A particular item of Designated Non-cash Consideration shall no longer be considered to be outstanding to the extent it has been sold or liquidated for cash (but only to the extent of the cash received).

"Designated Vessels" means the dredge "New York," the dredge "Liberty Island," the bottom-dump barges G.L.65, G.L.501 and G.L.502, the selfunloading barge "Long Island," the trailing suction hopper dredge "Terrapin Island" and the barge "U.S. Flag Idler," G.L.177, and ancillary equipment related thereto.

"Disqualified Stock" means any Capital Stock that, by its terms (or by the terms of any security into which it is convertible, or for which it is exchangeable, at the option of the holder), or upon the happening of any event (other than optional redemption by Great Lakes thereof), matures or is mandatorily redeemable, pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise, or redeemable at the option of the holder, in whole or in part, on or prior to the date that is 91 days after the date on which the notes mature; provided, however, that any Capital Stock that would constitute Disqualified Stock solely because the holders have the right to require Great Lakes to repurchase the Capital Stock upon the occurrence of a Change of Control or an Asset Sale shall not constitute Disqualified Stock if the terms of the Capital Stock provide that Great Lakes may not repurchase or redeem any such Capital Stock pursuant to such provisions unless the repurchase or redeemption complies with the covenant described above under the capiton "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments."

"Domestic Subsidiary" means any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes that was formed under the laws of the United States or any state of the United States or the District of Columbia.

"*Equity Interests*" means Capital Stock and all warrants, options or other rights to acquire Capital Stock (but excluding any debt security that is convertible into, or exchangeable for, Capital Stock).

"*Equity Offering*" means a public or private offering or sale of Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of Great Lakes or a direct or indirect parent of Great Lakes (so long as the net proceeds thereof are contributed to the common equity capital of Great Lakes).

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any successor statute or statutes thereto.

"*Exchange Notes*" means new notes of Great Lakes issued in exchange for the notes pursuant to the Registration Rights Agreement; *provided* that such new notes have terms substantially identical in all material respects to the notes (except that Exchange Notes will not contain terms with respect to transfer restrictions) for which such offer is being made.

*"Excluded Contribution"* means the net cash proceeds received by Great Lakes after the Issue Date from (a) contributions to its common equity capital and (b) the sale (other than to a Subsidiary or pursuant to any management equity plan or stock option plan or any other management or employee benefit plan or agreement of Great Lakes or any of its Subsidiaries) of Capital Stock (other than Disqualified Stock) of Great Lakes, in each case designated within 60 days of the receipt of such net cash proceeds as Excluded Contributions pursuant to an

Officers' Certificate, the cash proceeds of which are excluded from the calculation set forth in the clause (3)(B) of the first paragraph of the covenant described above under the "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments."

"Excluded Subsidiaries" means each Foreign Subsidiary and each Domestic Subsidiary that is not a Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary.

*"Existing Indebtedness"* means Indebtedness (including guarantees) of Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than Indebtedness incurred pursuant to clause (1) of the second paragraph of the covenant described above under the caption "Certain Covenants—Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock) in existence on the Issue Date, until permanently repaid.

*"Fair Market Value"* means, with respect to any asset, the price (after taking into account any liabilities relating to such assets) that would be negotiated in an arm's-length transaction between a willing seller and a willing and able buyer, neither of whom is under undue pressure or compulsion to complete the transaction; *provided* that, other than as expressly set forth in the indenture, for purposes of determining the "Fair Market Value" of any property or assets, such Fair Market Value shall be determined by (x) Great Lakes in good faith with respect to assets or property with a Fair Market value not in excess of \$5.0 million, (y) Great Lakes' Chief Financial Officer with respect to assets or property with a Fair Market Value in excess of \$10.0 million and (z) Great Lakes' Board of Directors with respect to assets or property with a Fair Market Value in excess of \$10.0 million.

"Fixed Charges" means, with respect to any Person for any period, the sum, without duplication, of

(1) the consolidated interest expense of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period, whether paid or accrued (including, without limitation, amortization of debt issuance costs and original issue discount, non-cash interest payments, the interest component of any deferred payment obligations, the interest component of all payments associated with Capital Lease Obligations, commissions, discounts and other fees and charges incurred in respect of letter of credit or bankers' acceptance financings, and net payments (if any) pursuant to interest rate Hedging Obligations (but excluding the amortization or write-off of financing fees in connection with the transactions contemplated in connection with the initial offering of the notes), net of interest income of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries for such period; and

(2) the consolidated interest of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries that was capitalized during such period; and

(3) any interest expense on Indebtedness of another Person that is guaranteed by such Person or one of its Restricted Subsidiaries or secured by a Lien on assets of such Person or one of its Restricted Subsidiaries (whether or not the guarantee or Lien is called upon); and

(4) the product of (a) all cash dividend payments and non-cash dividend payments on any series of preferred stock and any series of Disqualified Stock, in each case, of such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, other than dividend payments (x) on Equity Interests payable solely in Equity Interests of Great Lakes (other than Disqualified Stock) or (y) to Great Lakes or a Guarantor, times (b) a fraction, the numerator of which is one and the denominator of which is one minus the then current combined federal, state and local statutory tax rate of such Person, expressed as a decimal, in each case, on a consolidated basis and in accordance with GAAP.

*"Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio"* means with respect to any Person for any period, the ratio of the Consolidated Cash Flow to the Fixed Charges of such Person for such period. In the event that the referent Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries incurs, assumes, guarantees, repays or redeems any Indebtedness (other than repayment of revolving credit borrowings that are not accompanied by a permanent reduction in the commitment amount) or issues or redeems preferred stock subsequent to the commencement of the period for which the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio is being calculated but prior to the date on which the event for which the

calculation of the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio is made (the "Calculation Date"), then the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio shall be calculated giving pro forma effect to such incurrence, assumption, guarantee or redemption of Indebtedness, or such issuance or redemption of preferred stock, as if the same had occurred at the beginning of the applicable four-quarter reference period. In addition, for purposes of making the computation referred to above,

(1) acquisitions and dispositions that have been made by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries, including through mergers or consolidations and including any related financing transactions, during the four-quarter reference period or subsequent to such reference period and on or prior to the Calculation Date shall be given pro forma effect as if they occurred on the first day of the four-quarter reference period in accordance with Regulation S-X under the Securities Act and, in connection with any acquisition, shall be calculated giving pro forma effect to Pro Forma Cost Savings;

(2) the Consolidated Cash Flow attributable to discontinued operations, as determined in accordance with GAAP, and operations or businesses disposed of prior to the Calculation Date, shall be excluded in accordance with clause (1) above;

(3) the Fixed Charges attributable to discontinued operations, as determined in accordance with GAAP, and operations or businesses disposed of prior to the Calculation Date, shall be excluded in accordance with clause (1) or (2) above, as applicable, but only to the extent that the obligations giving rise to such Fixed Charges will not be obligations of the referent Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries following the Calculation Date;

(4) Consolidated Cash Flow shall be calculated giving pro forma effect to the creation, designation or redesignation of Restricted and Unrestricted Subsidiaries, as if such creation, designation or redesignation occurred on the first day of the four-quarter reference period; and

(5) if any Indebtedness being incurred bears a floating rate of interest, the interest expense on such Indebtedness will be calculated as if the rate in effect on the Calculation Date had been the applicable rate for the entire period (taking into account any Hedging Obligation applicable to such Indebtedness if such Hedging Obligation has a remaining term as at the Calculation Date in excess of 12 months).

"Foreign Subsidiary" means a Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Domestic Subsidiary.

"GAAP " means generally accepted accounting principles set forth in the opinions and pronouncements of the Accounting Principles Board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and statements and pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board or in such other statements by such other entity as have been approved by a significant segment of the accounting profession, which are in effect on the Issue Date.

### "Government Securities" means securities that are:

(1) direct obligations of the United States of America for the timely payment of which its full faith and credit is pledged, or

(2) obligations of a Person controlled or supervised by and acting as an agency or instrumentality of the United States of America the timely payment of which is unconditionally guaranteed as a full faith and credit Obligation by the United States of America, which, in each case, are not callable or redeemable at the option of the issuer thereof, and shall also include a depository receipt issued by a bank (as defined in Section 3(a)(2) of the Securities Act) as custodian with respect to any such U.S. government obligations or a specific payment of principal of or interest on any such U.S. government obligations held by such custodian for the account of the holder of such depository receipt; provided, however, that (except as required by law) such custodian is not authorized to make any deduction from the amount payable to the holder of such depository receipt from any amount received by the custodian in respect of the U.S. government obligations or the specific payment of principal of or interest on the U.S. government obligations evidenced by such depository receipt.

"*guarantee*" means a guarantee (other than by endorsement of negotiable instruments for collection in the ordinary course of business), direct or indirect, in any manner (including, without limitation, by way of a pledge of assets or through letters of credit or reimbursement agreements), of all or any part of any Indebtedness.

"Guarantee" means a full and unconditional senior unsecured guarantee of the notes pursuant to the indenture.

"Guarantee" means any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes that issues a Guarantee of the notes, in each case, until such Person is released from its Guarantee in accordance with the indenture.

"Hedging Obligations" means, with respect to any Person, the obligations of such Person under

- interest rate or currency swap agreements, interest rate cap agreements and interest rate collar agreements,
- other agreements or arrangements designed for the purpose of fixing, hedging or swapping interest rate risk or currency exchange rate risk, and
- commodities purchase and sale agreements and other similar agreements designed for the purpose of fixing, hedging or swapping the price risk
  related to raw materials or other commodities (including fuel) used by Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business.

"Indebtedness" means, with respect to any Person, any indebtedness of such Person, whether or not contingent, in respect of:

(1) borrowed money;

(2) evidenced by bonds, notes, debentures or similar instruments or letters of credit (or related reimbursement agreements);

- (3) banker's acceptances;
- (4) representing Capital Lease Obligations;

(5) the balance deferred and unpaid of the purchase price of any property except any such balance that constitutes an accrued expense or trade payable; or

(6) representing the net amount owning under any Hedging Obligations relating to interest rate risk,

if and to the extent any of the foregoing (other than letters of credit and Hedging Obligations) would appear as a liability upon a balance sheet of such Person prepared in accordance with GAAP, as well as all Indebtedness of others secured by a Lien on any asset of such Person (whether or not such Indebtedness is assumed by such Person) and, to the extent not otherwise included, the guarantee by such Person of any Indebtedness of any other Person.

"Investments" means, with respect to any Person, all investments by such Person in other Persons (including Affiliates) in the forms of direct or indirect loans (including guarantees of Indebtedness or other obligations), advances or capital contributions (excluding commission, travel and similar advances to officers and employees made in the ordinary course of business), purchases or other acquisitions of Indebtedness, Equity Interests or other securities, together with all items that are or would be classified as investments on a balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP; provided that an acquisition of Equity Interests or other securities by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries for consideration consisting solely of Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of Great Lakes shall not be deemed to be an Investment. If Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes sells or otherwise disposes of any Equity Interests of any direct or indirect Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes such that, after giving effect to the sale or disposition, such Person is no longer a Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes, Great Lakes shall be deemed to have made an Investment on the date of any such sale or disposition equal to the Fair Market Value of the Equity Interests of the Restricted Subsidiary not sold or disposed of in an amount determined as provided in the final paragraph of the covenant described above under the caption "—Limitation on Restricted Payments."

"Issue Date" means January 28, 2011.

*"Lien"* means, with respect to any asset, any mortgage, lien, pledge, charge, security interest or encumbrance of any kind, whether or not filed, recorded or otherwise perfected under applicable law (including any conditional sale or other title retention agreement, any lease in the nature of a conditional sale or title retention agreement, any option or other agreement to sell or give a security interest in and any filing of or agreement to give any financing statement under the Uniform Commercial Code (or equivalent statutes) of any jurisdiction).

"*Net Income*" means, with respect to any Person for any period, the net income (loss) of such Person, determined in accordance with GAAP and before any reduction in respect of dividends on preferred interests, excluding, however,

- any gain or loss, together with any related provision for taxes on the gain or loss, realized in connection with (1) any Asset Sale (including, without limitation, dispositions pursuant to sale and leaseback transactions) (without giving effect to the \$5.0 million threshold provided for in the definition thereof) or (2) the disposition of any securities by such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries or the extinguishment of any Indebtedness of such Person or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries and
- any extraordinary or nonrecurring gain or loss, together with any related provision for taxes on the extraordinary or nonrecurring gain or loss.

"*Net Proceeds*" means the aggregate cash proceeds received by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries in respect of any Asset Sale (including, without limitation, any cash received upon the sale or other disposition of any non-cash consideration received in any Asset Sale (including Designated Non-cash Consideration)), net of

(1) the direct costs relating to such Asset Sale (including, without limitation, legal, accounting and investment banking fees, and sales commissions) and any related relocation expenses;

(2) any taxes paid or payable as a result of the asset sale (after taking into account any available tax credits or deductions, any tax sharing arrangements);

(3) any reserve for adjustment in respect of the sale price of the asset or assets established in accordance with GAAP;

(4) payments made to repay Indebtedness or any other obligation outstanding at the time of such Asset Sale that is secured by a Lien on the property or assets sold;

(5) all distributions and other payments required to be made to minority interest holders in Subsidiaries or joint ventures as a result of such Asset Sale; and

(6) appropriate amounts to be provided by Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary as a reserve against any liabilities associated with such Asset Sale, including, without limitation, pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities, liabilities related to environmental matters and liabilities under any indemnification obligations associated with Asset Sale, all as determined in conformity with GAAP.

#### "Non-Recourse Debt" means Indebtedness

(1) as to which neither Great Lakes nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries

- provides credit support of any kind (including any undertaking, agreement or instrument that would constitute Indebtedness),
- is directly or indirectly liable (as a guarantor or otherwise), or
- constitutes the lender; and

(2) no default with respect to which (including any rights that any holders may have to take enforcement action against an Unrestricted Subsidiary) would permit (upon notice, lapse of time or both) any holder of any other Indebtedness (other than the notes being offered hereby) of Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries to declare a default on such other Indebtedness or cause its payment to be accelerated or payable prior to its stated maturity; and

(3) as to which the lenders have been notified in writing that they will not have any recourse to the stock or assets of Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries.

"Obligations" means any principal, interest, penalties, fees, indemnifications, costs, expenses, reimbursement obligations, damages and other liabilities and obligations which may arise under or in connection with the Credit Agreement or the Bonding Agreement or under or in connection with the documentation governing any Indebtedness, and in all cases whether direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, now outstanding or hereafter created, assumed or incurred and including, without limitation, interest accruing subsequent to the filing of a petition in bankruptcy or the commencement of any insolvency, reorganization or similar proceedings at the rate provided in the relevant document, whether or not an allowed claim, and any obligation to redeem or defease any of the foregoing.

"*Permitted Bonding Obligations*" means (1) obligations incurred by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (including guarantees) with respect to letters of credit, banker acceptances, bid, payment, performance, surety, appeal or similar bonds and completion guarantees in the ordinary course of business and (2) obligations incurred by Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (including guarantees) under the Bonding Agreement.

"*Permitted Business*" means any of the businesses engaged in by Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries on the Issue Date, together with other marine specialty contractor services, marine infrastructure construction, demolition and environmental services, dredging, repair, salvage and maintenance services, marine transportation, aggregates production, storage, handling, sales and supply and any other reasonably related, complementary or ancillary business or other business that is a reasonable extension or expansion of such business.

"Permitted Investments" means

(1) any Investment in Great Lakes or in a Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes;

(2) any Investment in Cash Equivalents;

(3) any Investment by Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes in a Person, if as a result of such Investment (i) such Person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes or (ii) such Person is merged, consolidated or amalgamated with or into, or transfers or conveys substantially all of its assets to, or is liquidated into, Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes;

(4) any Investment made as a result of the receipt of assets not constituting Cash Equivalents from an Asset Sale that was made pursuant to and in compliance with the covenant described above under the caption "—Repurchase at the Option of Holders—Asset Sales";

(5) any acquisition of assets solely in exchange for the issuance of Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of Great Lakes;

(6) other Investments in any Person having an aggregate Fair Market Value (measured on the date each such Investment was made and without giving effect to subsequent changes in value), when taken together with all other Investments made pursuant to this clause (6) that are at the time outstanding, not to exceed the greater of \$35.0 million and 7.5% of Total Tangible Assets, provided, however, that if an Investment pursuant to this clause (6) is made in any Person that is not a Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes at the date of the making of the Investment and such person becomes a Restricted Subsidiary after such date, such Investment shall thereafter be deemed to have been made pursuant to clause (1) above, and shall cease to have been made pursuant to this clause (6);

(7) Investments received in settlement, compromise or resolution of: (a) obligations of trade creditors, suppliers or customers that were incurred in the ordinary course of business of Great Lakes or any of its Subsidiaries including pursuant to a plan of reorganization or similar arrangement upon the bankruptcy or insolvency of such trade creditors, suppliers or customers or (b) litigation, arbitration or other disputes with Persons;

(8) Investments existing on the Issue Date;

(9) loans and advances to officers, directors, members and employees for business-related travel expenses, moving expenses and other similar expenses, in each case, incurred in the ordinary course of business not to exceed \$2.0 million in the aggregate at any time;

(10) any Hedging Obligation;

(11) Investments consisting of intercompany loans from Great Lakes and its Restricted Subsidiaries to Restricted Subsidiaries, including Restricted Subsidiaries that are not Guarantors;

(12) Investments in any Person engaging in a Permitted Business in an aggregate amount at any one time outstanding not to exceed \$25.0 million;

(13) guarantees otherwise permitted by the terms of the indenture; and

(14) Investments resulting from the acquisition of a Person that at the time of such acquisition held instruments constituting Investments that were not acquired in contemplation of the acquisition of such Person.

# "Permitted Liens" means

(1) Liens securing Indebtedness under Credit Facilities incurred pursuant to clause (1) of the second paragraph of the covenant described under the caption "Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock";

(2) Liens in favor of Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary;

(3) Liens on property or assets of, or any equity interest in or secured debt of, a Person existing at the time that Person is merged with or into or consolidated with Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes; provided that such Liens were in existence prior to the contemplation of such merger or consolidation and do not extend to any assets other than those of the Person merged into or consolidated with Great Lakes;

(4) Liens on property (including Capital Stock) existing at the time the property was acquired by Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes, provided that such Liens were in existence prior to the contemplation of the acquisition of property;

(5) Liens to secure the performance of statutory obligations, surety or appeal bonds, bid bonds, payment bonds, performance and lien bonds or other obligations of a like nature incurred in the ordinary course of business, including any Permitted Bonding Obligations;

(6) Liens to secure Indebtedness (including Capital Lease Obligations) permitted by clause (4) or (8) of the second paragraph of the covenant under the caption "Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock" covering, in the case of such clause (4), only the assets (including any insurance, leases and charters relating to such assets, and any proceeds thereof) acquired, constructed, repaired or improved with such Indebtedness;

(7) Liens existing on the Issue Date and any renewals or extensions thereof on terms no more restrictive and secured by the same collateral as existing on the date of the indenture (other than Liens securing Indebtedness under Credit Facilities incurred pursuant to clause (1) of the second paragraph of the covenant described under the caption "Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock");

(8) Liens for taxes, assessments or governmental charges or claims that are not yet delinquent or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings promptly instituted and diligently concluded, provided that any reserve or other appropriate provision as shall be required in conformity with GAAP shall have been made therefor;

(9) Liens to secure Indebtedness of any Foreign Subsidiary permitted to be incurred under the covenant entitled "—Certain Covenants—Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock" covering only the assets of such Foreign Subsidiary;

(10) Liens incurred in the ordinary course of business of Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes with respect to obligations that do not exceed \$20.0 million at any one time outstanding and that (A) are not incurred in connection with the borrowing of money or the obtaining of advances or credit (other than trade credit in the ordinary course of business) and (B) do not in the aggregate materially detract from the value of the property or materially impair the use of the property in the operation of business by Great Lakes or the Restricted Subsidiary;

(11) statutory Liens of landlords and Liens of carriers, warehousemen, mechanics, suppliers, materialmen, repairmen and other Liens (including maritime Liens) imposed by law incurred in the ordinary course of business;

(12) Liens incurred or deposits made in the ordinary course of business in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other types of social security or similar obligations, or to secure the performance of tenders, statutory or regulatory obligations, surety and appeal bonds, bids, leases, government contracts, payment and performance and return-of-money bonds, bankers' acceptances, and other similar obligations (exclusive of obligations for the payment of borrowed money);

(13) judgment or attachment Liens not giving rise to an Event of Default;

(14) easements, rights-of-way, municipal and zoning restrictions and other similar charges, title defects, encumbrances or irregularities in respect of real property not interfering in any material respect with the ordinary course of the business of Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries;

(15) any interest or title of a lessor under any lease, whether or not characterized as capital or operating; provided that such Liens do not extend to any property or assets which is not leased property subject to such lease;

(16) Liens securing Hedging Obligations;

(17) Liens securing reimbursement obligations with respect to letters of credit and products and proceeds thereof;

(18) Liens securing Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness which is incurred to refinance any Indebtedness which has been secured by a Lien permitted under the indenture and which has been incurred in accordance with the provisions of the indenture;

(19) Liens in favor of Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries securing Indebtedness of any Restricted Subsidiary that is not a Guarantor;

(20) Liens with respect to current wages of the master and crew and for wages of a stevedore when employed directly by Great Lakes or any Subsidiary of Great Lakes, or by the charterer, operator, master or agent of any of the vessels owned or operated by Great Lakes or any Subsidiary of Great Lakes;

(21) Liens for salvage (including contract salvage);

(22) Liens arising by operation of law or by contract in each case encumbering insurance policies and proceeds thereof to secure the financing of premiums of such insurance policies;

(23) Liens arising pursuant to a purchase agreement or sale agreement securing the obligations under such purchase agreement or sale agreement and encumbering solely the assets that are to be sold in any asset sale permitted under "—Asset Sales"; and

(24) Liens with respect to bareboat charters, leases and licenses of assets in the ordinary course of business.

"Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness" means any Indebtedness of Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries issued in exchange for, to extend, refinance, renew, replace, defease or refund other Indebtedness of Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries (other than intercompany Indebtedness); provided that:

(1) the principal amount (or accreted value, if applicable) of the Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness does not exceed the principal amount of (or accreted value, if applicable), plus accrued interest on, the Indebtedness so extended, refinanced, renewed, replaced, defeased or refunded (plus the amount of reasonable expenses, premiums, penalties, fees and interest incurred in connection therewith);

(2) if the final maturity date of the Indebtedness being refinanced is earlier than the final maturity of the notes, the Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness has a final maturity date later than the final maturity date of, and has a Weighted Average Life to Maturity equal to or greater than the Weighted Average Life to Maturity of, the Indebtedness being extended, refinanced, renewed, replaced, defeased or refunded or (b) if the final maturity of the Indebtedness being refinanced is later than the final maturity of the notes, the Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness has a final maturity at least 91 days later than the notes;

(3) if the Indebtedness being extended, refinanced, renewed, replaced, defeased or refunded is subordinated in right of payment to the notes, the Permitted Refinancing Indebtedness has a final maturity date later than the final maturity date of, and is subordinated in right of payment to, the notes on terms at least as favorable to the holders of notes as those contained in the documentation governing the Indebtedness being extended, refinanced, renewed, replaced, defeased or refunded; and

(4) such Indebtedness is incurred either (a) by Great Lakes or any Guarantor or (b) by the Restricted Subsidiary who is the obligor on the Indebtedness being extended, refinanced, renewed, replaced, defeased or refunded.

"*Permitted Tax Distributions*" means the payment of any distributions to permit direct or indirect beneficial owners of shares of Capital Stock of Great Lakes to pay federal, state or local income tax liabilities arising from income to Great Lakes and attributable to them solely as a result of Great Lakes' and any intermediate entity through which the holder owns such shares being a limited liability company, partnership or similar entity for federal income tax purposes.

"Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation, unincorporated organization, trust or joint venture, or a governmental agency or political subdivision thereof.

"Pro Forma Cost Savings" means, with respect to any period, the reduction in costs that were (1) directly attributable to an asset acquisition and calculated on a basis that is consistent with Regulation S-X under the Securities Act in effect and as applied as of the Issue Date, or (2) were actually implemented by the business that was the subject of any such asset acquisition within six months of the date of the asset acquisition and that are supportable and quantifiable by the underlying accounting records of such business, in case as if such reductions in cost had been effected as of the beginning of the applicable period and, in the case of each of (1) and (2), are described, as provided below, in an officer's certificate, as if all such reductions in costs had been effected as of the beginning of such period. Pro Forma Cost Savings described above shall be accompanied by a certificate delivered to the trustee from Great Lakes' Chief Financial Officer that outlines the specific actions taken or to be taken, the net cost savings achieved or to be achieved from each such action.

"Qualified Proceeds" means any of the following or any combination of the following:

(1) cash,

(2) Cash Equivalents,

(3) assets that are used or useful in a Permitted Business and

(4) the Capital Stock of any Person engaged in a Permitted Business if, in connection with the receipt by Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes of such Capital Stock, (a) such Person becomes

a Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes or (b) such Person is merged, consolidated or amalgamated with or into, or transfers or conveys substantially all of its assets to, or is liquidated into, Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes.

*"Registration Rights Agreement"* means the Registration Rights Agreement dated as of the Issue Date among Great Lakes, the Guarantors and Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated and Lazard Capital Markets LLC, as initial purchasers.

"Restricted Investment" means an Investment other than a Permitted Investment.

#### "Restricted Payments" means

(1) declare or pay any dividend or make any other payment or distribution on account of Great Lakes' or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries' Equity Interests (including, without limitation, any payment in connection with any merger or consolidation involving Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries) or to the direct or indirect holders of Great Lakes' or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries' Equity Interests in their capacity as such (other than, in each case, dividends or distributions payable in Equity Interests (other than Disqualified Stock) of Great Lakes or dividends or distributions payable to Great Lakes or a Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes);

(2) purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire or retire for value (including, without limitation, in connection with any merger or consolidation involving Great Lakes) any Equity Interests of Great Lakes (other than Equity Interests owned by Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes) or any direct or indirect parent of Great Lakes;

(3) make any payment on or with respect to, or purchase, redeem, defease or otherwise acquire or retire for value any Indebtedness of Great Lakes that is contractually subordinated to the notes or to the Guarantees (other than any subordinated Indebtedness held by Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary), except a payment of interest or principal at Stated Maturity; or

(4) make any Restricted Investment.

"Restricted Subsidiary" of a Person means any Subsidiary of the referent Person that is not an Unrestricted Subsidiary.

"Secured Indebtedness" means any Indebtedness secured by a Lien.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

*"Significant Subsidiary"* means any Subsidiary that would be a *"significant subsidiary"* as defined in Article 1, Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X, promulgated pursuant to the Act, as in effect on the Issue Date.

"Stated Maturity" means, with respect to any installment of interest or principal (including any sinking fund payment) on any series of Indebtedness, the date on which payment of interest or principal was scheduled to be paid in the original documentation governing such Indebtedness, and shall not include any contingent obligations to repay, redeem or repurchase any such interest or principal prior to the date originally scheduled for their payment.

"Subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person, (1) any corporation, association or other business entity of which more than 50% of the total voting power of shares of Capital Stock entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees thereof is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such Person or one or more of the other Subsidiaries of that Person (or a combination thereof) and (2) any partnership (A) the sole general partner or the managing general partner of which is such Person or a Subsidiary of such Person or (B) the only general partners of which are such Person or one or more Subsidiaries of such Person (or any combination thereof).

"Total Tangible Assets" means, with respect to any Person, the aggregate of all assets of such Person and its Restricted Subsidiaries as would be shown on the consolidated balance sheet of such Person in accordance with GAAP, less goodwill and intangibles.

*"Treasury Rate"* means, as of any Redemption Date, the yield to maturity as of such Redemption Date of United States Treasury securities with a constant maturity (as compiled and published in the most recent Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15 (519) that has become publicly available at least two business days prior to the Redemption Date (or, if such Statistical Release is no longer published, any publicly available source of similar market data)) most nearly equal to the period from the Redemption Date to February 1, 2015; *provided, however*, that if the period from the Redemption Date to February 1, 2015; states Treasury securities adjusted to a constant maturity of one year will be used.

"Unrestricted Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary of Great Lakes or any successor to any of them) that is designated by the Board of Directors of Great Lakes as an Unrestricted Subsidiary pursuant to a board resolution; but only to the extent that such Subsidiary:

(1) has no Indebtedness other than Non-Recourse Debt;

(2) is not party to any agreement, contract, arrangement or understanding with Great Lakes or any Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes unless the terms of any such agreement, contract, arrangement or understanding are no less favorable to Great Lakes or such Restricted Subsidiary than those that might be obtained at the time from Persons who are not Affiliates of Great Lakes;

(3) is a Person with respect to which neither Great Lakes nor any of its Restricted Subsidiaries has any direct or indirect obligation (A) to subscribe for additional Equity Interests or (B) to maintain or preserve such Person's financial condition or to cause such Person to achieve any specified levels of operating results;

(4) has not guaranteed or otherwise directly or indirectly provided credit support for any Indebtedness of Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries; and

(5) has at least one director on its board of directors that is not a director or executive officer of Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries and has at least one executive officer that is not a director or executive officer of Great Lakes or any of its Restricted Subsidiaries.

Any designation by the Board of Directors of an Unrestricted Subsidiary shall be evidenced to the trustee by filing with the trustee a certified copy of the Board Resolution giving effect to the designation and an Officers' Certificate certifying that the designation complied with the foregoing conditions and was permitted by the covenant described above under the caption "Certain Covenants—Limitation on Restricted Payments." If, at any time, any Unrestricted Subsidiary would fail to meet the foregoing requirements as an Unrestricted Subsidiary, it shall thereafter cease to be an Unrestricted Subsidiary for purposes of the indenture and any Indebtedness of such Subsidiary shall be deemed to be incurred by a Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes as of such date (and, if such Indebtedness is not permitted to be incurred under the covenant described under the caption "Certain Covenants—Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock," Great Lakes shall be in default of the covenant). The Board of Directors of Great Lakes may at any time designate any Unrestricted Subsidiary to be a Restricted Subsidiary; provided that such designation shall be deemed to be an incurrence of Indebtedness by a Restricted Subsidiary of Great Lakes of any outstanding Indebtedness of such Unrestricted Subsidiary and the designation shall only be permitted if (1) such Indebtedness is permitted under the covenant described under the covenants—Limitation on Incurrence of Indebtedness and Issuance of Disqualified Stock," calculated on a pro forma basis as if the designation the occurred at the beginning of the four-quarter reference period, and (2) no Default or Event of Default would be in existence following the designation.

"Voting Stock" of any Person as of any date means the Capital Stock of such Person that is at the time entitled to vote in the election of the Board of Directors of such Person.

*"Weighted Average Life to Maturity"* means, when applied to any Indebtedness at any date, the number of years obtained by dividing (1) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (A) the amount of each then remaining installment, sinking fund, serial maturity or other required payments of principal, including payment at final maturity, by (B) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth) that will elapse between such date and the making of such payment, by (2) the then outstanding principal amount of such Indebtedness.

"Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiary" of any Person means a Restricted Subsidiary of such Person all of the outstanding Capital Stock or other ownership interests of which (other than directors' qualifying shares) shall at the time be owned by such Person or by one or more Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries of such Person and one or more Wholly Owned Restricted Subsidiaries of such Person.

"2003 Merger Agreement" means the Agreement and Plan of Merger among GLDD Acquisitions Corp., GLDD Merger Sub, Inc. and Great Lakes, dated as of November 12, 2003, in connection with the sale of all of the outstanding common stock of Great Lakes to GLDD Acquisitions Corp. and the merger of GLDD Merger Sub, Inc. with and into Great Lakes.

"2003 Transactions" means, the transactions contemplated by the 2003 Merger Agreement and the related financing transactions.

# **BOOK-ENTRY; DELIVERY AND FORM**

The certificates representing the exchange notes will be issued in fully registered form without interest coupons.

The exchange notes initially will be represented by notes in registered, global form without interest coupons (collectively, the "Global Notes"). The Global Notes will be deposited upon issuance with the trustee as custodian for DTC, in New York, New York, and registered in the name of DTC or its nominee for credit to an account of a direct or indirect participant in DTC as described below. Global Notes may be transferred, in whole and not in part, only to another nominee of DTC or to a successor of DTC or its nominee. Beneficial interests in the Global Notes may be held through Euroclear and Clearstream (as indirect participants in DTC).

### The Global Notes

We expect that pursuant to procedures established by DTC (i) upon the issuance of the Global Notes, DTC or its custodian will credit, on its internal system, the principal amount at maturity of the individual beneficial interests represented by such Global Notes to the respective accounts of persons who have accounts with such depositary and (ii) ownership of beneficial interests in the Global Notes will be shown on, and the transfer of such ownership will be effected only through, records maintained by DTC or its nominee (with respect to interests of participants) and the records of participants (with respect to interests of persons other than participants). Holders may hold their interests in the Global Notes directly through DTC if they are persons who have accounts with DTC ("participants") in such system, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in such system.

So long as DTC, or its nominee, is the registered owner or holder of the notes, DTC or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the notes represented by such Global Notes for all purposes under the indenture. No beneficial owner of an interest in the Global Notes will be able to transfer that interest except in accordance with DTC's procedures, in addition to those provided for under the indenture with respect to the notes.

Payments of the principal of, premium (if any) and interest (including additional interest, if any) on the Global Notes will be made to DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered owner thereof. None of us, the trustee or any paying agent will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in the Global Notes or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interest.

We expect that DTC or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest (including additional interest, if any) on the Global Notes, will credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the principal amount of the Global Notes as shown on the records of DTC or its nominee. We also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in the Global Notes held through such participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practice, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers registered in the names of nominees for such customers. Such payments will be the responsibility of such participants.

Transfers between participants in DTC will be effected in the ordinary way through DTC's same-day funds system in accordance with DTC rules and will be settled in same day funds. If a holder requires physical delivery of a Certificated Security for any reason, including to sell notes to persons in states which require physical delivery of the notes, or to pledge such securities, such holder must transfer its interest in a Global Note, in accordance with the normal procedures of DTC and with the procedures set forth in the indenture.

DTC has advised us that it will take any action permitted to be taken by a holder of notes (including the presentation of notes for exchange as described below) only at the direction of one or more participants to whose

account the DTC interests in the Global Notes are credited and only in respect of such portion of the aggregate principal amount of notes as to which such participant or participants has or have given such direction. However, if there is an Event of Default under the Indenture, DTC will exchange the Global Notes for Certificated Securities, which it will distribute to its participants.

DTC has advised us as follows: DTC is a limited purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the Uniform Commercial Code and a "Clearing Agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC was created to hold securities for its participants and facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of its participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations and certain other organizations. Indirect access to the DTC system is available to others such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly ("indirect participants").

Although DTC has agreed to the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of interests in the Global Note among participants of DTC, it is under no obligation to perform such procedures, and such procedures may be discontinued at any time. Neither we nor the trustee will have any responsibility for the performance by DTC or its participants or indirect participants of their respective obligations under the rules and procedures governing their operations.

#### **Certificated Securities**

Certificated Securities shall be issued in exchange for beneficial interests in the Global Notes (i) if requested by a holder of such interests or (ii) if DTC is at any time unwilling or unable to continue as a depositary for the Global Notes and a successor depositary is not appointed by us within 90 days.

### CERTAIN UNITED STATES FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS

The following is a summary of certain United States federal income tax considerations relating to the exchange of old notes for exchange notes in the exchange offer. It does not contain a complete analysis of all the potential tax considerations relating to the exchange. This summary is limited to holders of old notes who hold the old notes as "capital assets" (in general, assets held for investment). Special situations, such as the following, are not addressed:

- tax consequences to holders who may be subject to special tax treatment, such as tax-exempt entities, dealers in securities or currencies, banks, other financial institutions, insurance companies, regulated investment companies, traders in securities that elect to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for their securities holdings or corporations that accumulate earnings to avoid United States federal income tax;
- tax consequences to persons holding notes as part of a hedging, integrated, constructive sale or conversion transaction or a straddle or other risk reduction transaction;
- tax consequences to holders whose "functional currency" is not the United States dollar;
- tax consequences to persons who hold notes through a partnership or similar pass-through entity;
- United States federal gift tax, estate tax or alternative minimum tax consequences, if any; or
- any state, local or non-United States tax consequences.

We recommend that each holder consult its own tax advisor as to the particular tax consequences of exchanging old notes for exchange notes in the exchange offer, including the applicability and effect of any state, local or non-United States tax law.

The discussion below is based upon the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, existing and proposed Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder, and rulings, judicial decisions and administrative interpretations thereunder, as of the date hereof. Those authorities may be changed, perhaps retroactively, so as to result in United States federal income tax consequences different from those discussed below.

#### **Consequences of Tendering Old Notes**

The exchange of your old notes for exchange notes in the exchange offer should not constitute an exchange for United States federal income tax purposes because the exchange notes should not be considered to differ materially in kind or extent from the old notes. Accordingly, the exchange offer should have no United States federal income tax consequences to you if you exchange your old notes for exchange notes.

The preceding discussion of certain United States federal income tax considerations of the exchange offer is for general information only and is not tax advice. Accordingly, each investor should consult its own tax advisor as to particular tax consequences to it of exchanging old notes for exchange notes, including the applicability and effect of any state, local or foreign tax laws, and of any proposed changes in applicable laws.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

Each broker-dealer that receives exchange notes for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer must acknowledge that it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of Exchange Notes.

This prospectus, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, may be used by a broker-dealer in connection with resales of Exchange Notes received in exchange for old notes if the old notes were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities.

We have agreed to make this prospectus, as amended or supplemented, available to any broker-dealer to use in connection with any such resale for a period of at least 180 days after the expiration date. In addition, until (90 days after the date of this prospectus), all broker-dealers effecting transactions in the exchange notes may be required to deliver a prospectus.

We will not receive any proceeds from any sale of exchange notes by broker-dealers. Exchange notes received by broker-dealers for their own account pursuant to the exchange offer may be sold from time to time in one or more transactions:

- in the over-the-counter market;
- in negotiated transactions; or
- through the writing of options on the exchange notes or a combination of such methods of resale.

These resales may be made:

- at market prices prevailing at the time of resale;
- at prices related to such prevailing market prices; or
- at negotiated prices.

Any such resale may be made directly to purchasers or to or through brokers or dealers. Brokers or dealers may receive compensation in the form of commissions or concessions from any such broker-dealer or the purchasers of any such exchange notes. An "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act includes:

- · any broker-dealer that resells exchange notes that were received by it for its own account pursuant to the exchange offer; or
- any broker or dealer that participates in a distribution of such exchange notes.

Any profit on any resale of exchange notes and any commissions or concessions received by any persons may be deemed to be underwriting compensation under the Securities Act. The letter of transmittal states that, by acknowledging that it will deliver and by delivering a prospectus, a broker-dealer will not be deemed to admit that it is an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act.

For a period of not less than 180 days after the expiration of the exchange offer we will promptly send additional copies of this prospectus and any amendment or supplement to this prospectus to any broker-dealer that requests those documents in the letter of transmittal. We have agreed to pay all expenses incident to performance of our obligations in connection with the exchange offer, other than commissions or concessions of any brokers or dealers. We will indemnify the holders of the exchange notes (including any broker-dealers) against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and will contribute to payments that they may be required to make in request thereof.

### LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the exchange notes and the guarantees offered in this prospectus will be passed upon for us by Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg LLP, Chicago, Illinois.

## EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements, and the related financial statement schedule as of December 31, 2010 and 2009 and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2010, incorporated in this Prospectus by reference from the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 21, 2011, and the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2010, have been audited by Deloitte & Touche LLP, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports, which are incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule have been so incorporated in reliance upon the reports of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

The financial statements of L.W. Matteson, Inc. as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, incorporated in this Prospectus by reference from the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K/A dated March 16, 2011, have been audited by CPA Associates PC, independent auditors, as stated in their report which is incorporated by reference herein, and are included in reliance upon the report of such firm given upon their authority as experts in accounting and auditing.

#### INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY REFERENCE

This prospectus incorporates by reference important business and financial information about our company that is not included or delivered with this document. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus, and later information that we file with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this information. Any statement contained in this prospectus or in any document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference into this prospectus that is modified or superseded by subsequently filed materials shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus. We incorporate by reference the documents set forth below that we have previously filed with the SEC, including all exhibits thereto (except where noted otherwise), and any future filings we make with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act from now until the termination of the exchange offer:

(1) our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 (except for (i) Item 6. Selected Financial Data, (ii) Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and (iii) Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, each of which is superseded by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 21, 2011);

(2) our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 (except for Item 1. Financial Statements, which is superseded by our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 21, 2011);

(3) our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on January 3, 2011 (as amended by our Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed on March 16, 2011), January 18, 2011 (only with respect to Item 8.01 and Exhibit 99.2), January 18, 2011, January 28, 2011 (only with respect to Items 1.01 and 2.03 and Exhibits 4.1, 4.2, 10.1 and 10.2), February 18, 2011, March 1, 2011, March 14, 2011, April 13, 2011, May 9, 2011, May 31, 2011, July 1, 2011 and July 21, 2011; and

(4) our proxy statement for the 2011 annual meeting of stockholders filed on April 7, 2011.

You can obtain any of the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus from the SEC's web site at the address described above. You may also request a copy of these filings, at no cost, by writing or telephoning to the address and telephone set forth below. We will provide, without charge, upon written or oral request, copies of any or all of the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus (excluding exhibits to such documents unless such exhibits are specifically incorporated by reference therein). You should direct requests for documents to: Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, 2122 York Road, Oak Brook, Illinois, Attn: Chief Legal Officer, telephone number (630) 574-3000.

In order to obtain timely delivery of any copies of filings requested, please write or call us no later than , 2011, which is five business days before the expiration date of the exchange offer.



Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation

# Exchange Offer for \$250,000,000 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019

# PROSPECTUS , 2011

We have not authorized any dealer, salesperson or other person to give any information or represent anything to you other than the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus. You may not rely on unauthorized information or representations.

This prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities other than the registered securities to which it relates, nor does this prospectus constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation to buy securities in any jurisdiction to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation in such jurisdiction.

This prospectus does not constitute an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any of the securities in any jurisdiction where it is unlawful, where the person making the offer is not qualified to do so, or to any person who cannot legally be offered the securities.

The information in this prospectus is current only as of the date on its cover, and may change after that date. For any time after the cover date of this prospectus, we do not represent that our affairs are the same as described or that the information in this prospectus is correct, nor do we imply those things by delivering this prospectus or selling securities to you.

Until , 2011, all dealers that effect transactions in the exchange notes, whether or not participating in this exchange offer, may be required to deliver a prospectus. This is in addition to the dealers' obligation to deliver a prospectus when acting as underwriters and with respect to their unsold allotments or subscriptions.

# PART II

# INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

#### Item 20. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

#### **Delaware General Corporation Law**

Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, Dawson Marine Services Company, Great Lakes Caribbean Dredging, Inc. and NASDI Holdings Corporation are incorporated under the laws of Delaware.

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL") provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding if the person acted in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that the person's conduct was unlawful. Section 145 of the DGCL further provides that a corporation similarly may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the defense or settlement of such action or suit if the person acted in good faith and in a manner that the person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Delaware Court of Chancery or such other court in which such action or suit was brought shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all of the circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the Delaware Court of Chancery or such other court shall deem proper.

Section 145 of the DGCL also provides that a corporation has the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in any such capacity, or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability under this section.

#### **Delaware Limited Liability Company Act**

Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC and NASDI, LLC are organized as limited liability companies under the laws of the State of Delaware. Section 18-108 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act (the "DLLCA") provides that a limited liability company, subject to any standards and restrictions in its limited liability company agreement, may indemnify and hold harmless any member or manager or other person from and against any and all claims and demands.

#### New Jersey Business Corporation Act

Fifty-Three Dredging Corporation is incorporated under the laws of New Jersey. Section 14A:3-5 of the New Jersey Business Corporation Act (the "NJBCA") provides that, other than in proceedings by or in the right

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of the corporation, a corporation may indemnify any "corporate agent," including its directors and officers, against expenses and liabilities incurred in connection with any proceeding involving the corporate agent because such person is or was a corporate agent, if such person (1) acted in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and (2) with respect to any criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe such person's conduct was unlawful. In proceedings by or in the right of the corporation, a corporate agent, if such person acted in good faith and in a manner such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation. The NJBCA makes an exception for any claim, issue or matter as to which such person is found liable to the corporation may pay expenses incurred by any corporate agent in connection with any proceeding in advance of a final disposition, upon receipt of an undertaking to repay if it is ultimately determined the corporate agent was not entitled to indemnification. A corporation may maintain insurance for any corporate agent against liabilities and expenses incurred by such corporate agent in any proceeding by reason of such person's status as a corporate agent.

#### **Certificates of Incorporation**

Article Eight of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, Article Seventh of Great Lakes Caribbean Dredging, Inc.'s Certificate of Incorporation and Article Eighth of NASDI Holdings Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation each provide that, to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL as it now exists or may hereafter be amended, no director of the company is liable to the company or its stockholders for monetary damages arising from a breach of fiduciary duty owed to the company or its stockholders.

Article Seventh of Fifty-Three Dredging Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation provides that the company shall have the power to the full extent permitted by the NJBCA, as amended from time to time, to indemnify all persons who it may indemnify pursuant to the NJBCA.

#### **Bylaws**

Article V of the Third Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation (effective as of March 8, 2011), Article VII of the Bylaws of Great Lakes Caribbean Dredging, Inc. and Article V of the Bylaws of NASDI Holdings Corporation (collectively, the "Bylaws") provide, among other things, that each person who is or was made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he or she, is or was a director or officer, of the company or is or was serving at the request of the company as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary, or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the company to the fullest extent which it is empowered to do so by the DGCL, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended against all expense, liability and loss including attorneys' fees actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with a proceeding; provided, however, that, subject to certain exceptions, the company shall indemnify any such person seeking indemnification in connection with a proceeding initiated by such person only if such proceeding was authorized by the board of directors of the company may, by action of its board of directors, provide indemnification conferred in each of the Bylaws is a contract right and, subject to certain exceptions, includes the right to be paid by the Company the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition.

The Bylaws also provides that the company may purchase and maintain insurance on its own behalf and on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee, fiduciary, or agent of the company or was serving at the request of the company as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation,

partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against him or her and incurred by him or her in any such capacity, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability pursuant to the Bylaws.

Article III, Section 12 of the By-Laws of Dawson Marine Services Company provides that the corporation shall indemnify each director, officer, employee or corporate agent against his expenses and liabilities in connection with any action, suit or proceeding, including proceedings brought by or in the right of the corporation, whether or not he shall have been adjudged liable for negligence or misconduct, provided that he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation. Expenses incurred by a director, officer, employee or corporate agent in connection with any action, suit or proceeding shall be paid by the corporation as incurred upon receipt of an undertaking by him or on his behalf to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that he is not entitled to be indemnified as provided in the By-Laws. The corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any director, officer, employee or corporate agent against his expenses and liabilities in connection with any action, suit or proceeding.

Article II, Section 9 of the Bylaws of Fifty-Three Dredging Corporation provides that directors are entitled to indemnification as provided by law and by the company's Certificate of Incorporation.

#### Limited Liability Company Agreements

Section 2.14 and Article IV of the Limited Liability Company Agreement of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC and Section 6.5 of the Limited Liability Company Agreement of NASDI, LLC provide, among other things, that each person who is or was made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he or she, is or was a manager or officer, of the company or is or was serving at the request of the company as a manager, director, officer, employee, fiduciary, or agent of another limited liability company or of a corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the company to the fullest extent which it is empowered to do so by the DLLCA, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended against all expense, liability and loss including attorneys' fees actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such proceeding; provided, however, that, subject to certain exceptions, the company shall indemnify any such person seeking indemnification in connection with a proceeding initiated by such person only if such proceeding was authorized by the board of managers of the company. The company may, by action of its board of managers, provide indemnification to employees and agents of the company with the same scope and effect as the foregoing indemnification of managers and officers. The right to indemnification conferred in each of the Bylaws is a contract right and, subject to certain exceptions, includes the right to be paid by the Company the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition.

The limited liability company agreement also provide that the company may purchase and maintain insurance on its own behalf and on behalf of any person who is or was a manager, officer, employee, fiduciary, or agent of the company or was serving at the request of the company as a manager, director, officer, employee or agent of another limited liability company, corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against him or her and incurred by him or her in any such capacity, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability pursuant to the Limited Liability Company Agreement.

#### Insurance

Our directors and officers and the directors, managers and officers of the other registrants are covered under directors' and officers' liability insurance policies maintained by us.

# Item 21. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

# (a) Exhibits

Reference is made to the Index to Exhibits filed as a part of this registration statement.

# (b) Financial Statement Schedules

All schedules have been omitted because they are not applicable or because the required information is shown in the financial statements or notes thereto.

#### Item 22. Undertakings.

The undersigned registrants hereby undertake:

- (a) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
  - (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
  - (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in the volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and
  - (iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement.
- (b) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (c) To remove from the registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (d) That, for purposes of determining liability under the Securities Act to any purchaser, each prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) as part of a registration statement relating to an offering, other than registration statements relying on Rule 430B or other than prospectuses filed in reliance on Rule 430A, shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the date it is first used after effectiveness. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such first use, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or prospectus that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or prospectus that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such date of first use.
- (e) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrants under the Securities Act to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities: The undersigned registrants undertake that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrants pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrants will each be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:

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- (i) any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrants relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;
- (ii) any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrants;
- (iii) the portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrants; and
- (iv) any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrants to the purchaser.
- (f) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrants pursuant to the provisions described in Item 20, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the SEC such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.
- (g) To respond to requests for information that is incorporated by reference into the prospectus pursuant to Items 4, 10(b), or 11 or 13 of this form, within one business day of receipt of such request, and to send the incorporated documents by first class mail or other equally prompt means. This includes information contained in documents filed subsequent to the date of the registration statement through the date of responding to the request.
- (h) To supply by means of a post-effective amendment all information concerning a transaction, and the company being acquired involved therein, that was not the subject of and included in the registration statement when it became effective.
- (i) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) that is incorporated by reference in this registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Oak Brook, State of Illinois, on July 21, 2011.

GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Bruce J. Biemec	By: /s/	Bruce J.	Biemeck
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Name:Bruce J. BiemeckTitle:President and Chief Financial Officer

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Bruce J. Biemeck his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments, including post-effective amendments, to this registration statement, and any registration statement relating to the offering covered by this registration statement and filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and to file the same, with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent or his substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Name	Title	Date
/s/ Jonathan W. Berger Jonathan W. Berger	Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Bruce J. Biemeck Bruce J. Biemeck	President, Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Carl A. Albert Carl A. Albert	Director	July 21, 2011
/s/ Stephen H. Bittel Stephen H. Bittel	Director	July 21, 2011
/s/ Peter R. Deutsch Peter R. Deutsch	Director	July 21, 2011
/s/ Nathan D. Leight Nathan D. Leight	Director	July 21, 2011
/s/ Douglas B. Mackie Douglas B. Mackie	Director	July 21, 2011
/s/ Jason G. Weiss Jason G. Weiss	Director	July 21, 2011

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GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK COMPANY, LLC (Registrant)

By: /s/ Bruce J. Biemeck Name: Bruce J. Biemeck

Title: President and Chief Financial Officer

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Name	Title	Date
/s/ Jonathan W. Berger Jonathan W. Berger	Chief Executive Officer and Manager (Principal Executive Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Bruce J. Biemeck Bruce J. Biemeck	President, Chief Financial Officer and Manager (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Edward B. Smith Edward B. Smith	Vice President, Controller and Manager	July 21, 2011

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DAWSON MARINE SERVICES COMPANY (Registrant)

By: /s/ Catherine Hoffman Name: Catherine Hoffman Title: President

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Name	Title	Date
/s/ Catherine Hoffman Catherine Hoffman	President and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Michael Sayer Michael Sayer	Treasurer and Director (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Andrew Funke Andrew Funke	Vice President and Director	July 21, 2011

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GREAT LAKES CARIBBEAN DREDGING, INC. (Registrant)

By: <u>/s/</u>Bruce J. Biemeck Name: Bruce J. Biemeck

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Name	Title	Date
/s/ Jonathan W. Berger Jonathan W. Berger	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Bruce J. Biemeck Bruce J. Biemeck	Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Edward B. Smith Edward B. Smith	Controller, Assistant Secretary and Director	July 21, 2011

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Oak Brook, State of Illinois, on July 21, 2011.

NASDI HOLDINGS CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Bruce J. Biemeck

Name: Bruce J. Biemeck Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Name	Title	Date
/s/ Jonathan W. Berger Jonathan W. Berger	Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Bruce J. Biemeck Bruce J. Biemeck	Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Director (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Edward B. Smith Edward B. Smith	Controller, Assistant Secretary and Director	July 21, 2011

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FIFTY-THREE DREDGING CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: <u>/s/ William H. Hanson</u> Name: William H. Hanson Title: President

Each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Bruce J. Biemeck his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments, including post-effective amendments, to this registration statement, and any registration statement relating to the offering covered by this registration statement and filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and to file the same, with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent or his substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Name	Title	Date
/s/ William H. Hanson William H. Hanson	President and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Katherine M. Hayes Katherine M. Hayes	Treasurer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Paul E. Dinquel Paul E. Dinquel	Vice President and Director	July 21, 2011
/s/ Susan M. Williams Susan M. Williams	Secretary and Director	July 21, 2011

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NASDI, LLC (Registrant)

By: <u>/s/</u>Bruce J. Biemeck Name: Bruce J. Biemeck Title: Vice President

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Name	Title	Date
/s/ Jonathan W. Berger Jonathan W. Berger	Chief Executive Officer and Manager (Principal Executive Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Bruce J. Biemeck Bruce J. Biemeck	Vice President and Manager] (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	July 21, 2011
/s/ Edward B. Smith Edward B. Smith	Manager	July 21, 2011

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#### Description

- 2.1 Amended and Restated Agreement and Plan of Merger dated as of December 22, 2003, among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, GLDD Acquisitions Corp., GLDD Merger Sub, Inc. and Vectura Holding Company LLC.(1)
- 2.2 Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among GLDD Acquisitions Corp., Aldabra Acquisition Corporation, and certain shareholders of Aldabra Acquisition Corporation and GLDD Acquisitions Corp., dated as of June 20, 2006.(2)
- 2.3 Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of August 21, 2006, among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Holdings Corp., Aldabra Acquisition Corporation, and GLH Merger Sub, L.L.C.(3)
- 3.1 Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Holdings Corp., effective December 26, 2006 (now renamed Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation).(4)
- 3.2 Third Amended and Restated Bylaws of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, effective as of March 8, 2011.(5)
- 3.3 Certificate of Ownership and Merger of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation with and into Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Holdings Corp.(6)
- 3.4 Certificate of Formation of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC, dated July 12, 2004\*
- 3.5 Limited Liability Company Agreement, dated July 12, 2004, of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC\*
- 3.6 Certificate of Incorporation of Dawson Marine Company, dated March 23, 1987, as amended by the Certificate of Amendment dated June 30, 2000\*
- 3.7 By-Laws of Dawson Marine Company\*
- 3.8 Certificate of Incorporation of Great Lakes Caribbean Dredging, Inc., dated February 10, 2000\*
- 3.9 By-Laws of Great Lakes Caribbean Dredging, Inc.\*
- 3.10 Certificate of Incorporation of NASDI Holdings Corporation, dated December 1, 2005\*
- 3.11 Bylaws of NASDI Holdings Corporation\*
- 3.12 Certificate of Incorporation of Fifty-Three Dredging Corporation, dated April 15, 1982, as amended by the Certificate of Amendment dated October 9, 1991\*
- 3.13 Bylaws of Fifty-Three Dredging Corporation\*
- 3.14 Certificate of Conversion and Certificate of Formation of NASDI, LLC, dated April 30, 2008.\*
- 3.15 Limited Liability Company Agreement, dated April 30, 2008, by and among NASDI Holdings Corporation, Christopher A. Berardi and NASDI, LLC.(24)
- 4.1 Indenture, dated January 28, 2011, by and among the Company, certain subsidiary guarantors named therein and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee.(7)
- 4.2 Form of 7.375% Senior Note due 2019 (filed as Exhibit A to the Indenture, dated January 28, 2011, by and among the Company, certain subsidiary guarantors named therein and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee).(7)
- 4.3 Specimen Common Stock Certificate for Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation.(12)
- 5.1 Opinion of Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg LLP\*
- 10.1 Credit Agreement, dated as of June 12, 2007, among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, the other loan parties from time to time party thereto, the financial institutions from time to time party thereto and LaSalle Bank National Association, as Swing Line Lender, Sole Lead Arranger and Administrative Agent.(13)

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10.2	Amendment No. 1 to Credit Agreement, dated as of January 30, 2009, among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, the other loan parties from time to time party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Swing Line Lender, Sole Lead Arranger, Issuing Lender and Administrative Agent.(10)
10.3	Amendment No. 2 to Credit Agreement, dated as of May 10, 2010, among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, the other loan parties from time to time party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Swing Line Lender, Sole Lead Arranger, Issuing Lender and Administrative Agent. (29)
10.4	Consent and Amendment No. 3 to Credit Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2010, among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, the other loan parties from time to time party thereto, the financial institutions from time to time party thereto and Bank of America, N.A., as successor by merger to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Swing Line Lender, Sole Lead Arranger, Issuing Lender and Administrative Agent. (8)
10.5	Third Amended and Restated Underwriting and Continuing Indemnity Agreement, dated as of December 22, 2003, among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, certain of its subsidiaries, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America.(9)
10.6	First Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Underwriting and Continuing Indemnity Agreement, dated as of September 30, 2004, by and among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, certain of its subsidiaries, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America.(11)
10.7	Second Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Underwriting and Continuing Indemnity Agreement, dated as of November 14, 2005, by and among the Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, the subsidiaries of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, United Pacific Insurance Company, Reliance National Insurance Company, Reliance Surety Company and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America.(15)
10.8	Third Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Underwriting and Continuing Indemnity Agreement dated as of September 28, 2006, by and among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, certain of its subsidiaries, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America.(16)
10.9	Fourth Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Underwriting and Continuing Indemnity Agreement dated as of June 12, 2007, by and among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, certain of its subsidiaries, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America.(20)
10.10	Fifth Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Underwriting and Continuing Indemnity Agreement dated as of April 27, 2009, by and among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, certain of its subsidiaries, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America.(17)
10.11	Sixth Amendment to Third Amended and Restated Underwriting and Continuing Indemnity Agreement, dated January 24, 2011, by and among the Company, the subsidiaries of the Company party thereto, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America. (7)
10.12	International Letter of Credit Agreement, dated September 29, 2006, by and among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and Wells Fargo

- 10.12International Letter of Credit Agreement, dated September 29, 2006, by and among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and Wells Fargo<br/>HSBC Trade Bank.(28)
- 10.13 First Amendment to International Letter of Credit Agreement, dated July 16, 2007, by and among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and Wells Fargo HSBC Trade Bank.(18)

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Number	Description
10.14	Second Amendment to International Letter of Credit Agreement dated September 29, 2009, by and among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC and Wells Fargo HSBC Trade Bank, NA.(19)
10.15	Reaffirmation, Ratification and Assumption Agreement dated December 26, 2006, by and between Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation (formerly named Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Holdings Corp.) and Wells Fargo HSBC Trade Bank, N.A.(6)
10.16	Amended and Restated Management Equity Agreement dated December 26, 2006 by and among Aldabra Acquisition Corporation, Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Holdings Corp. and each of the other persons identified on the signature pages thereto.†(6)
10.17	Employment Agreement between the Company and Jonathan W. Berger.†(14)
10.18	Employment Agreement between the Company and Bruce J. Biemeck.†(14)
10.19	Summary of Oral Employment Agreements with Named Executive Officers.†(12)
10.20	Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC Annual Bonus Plan effective as of January 1, 2011.†(21)
10.21	401(k) Savings Plan.†(22)
10.22	401(k) Lost Benefit Plan.†(12)
10.23	Secured Promissory Note dated December 31, 2006 executed by MJC Berry Enterprises, LLC, in favor of North American Site Developers, Inc. (23)
10.24	Lease Agreement between North American Site Developers, Inc. and MJC Berry Enterprises, LLC, dated as of December 31, 2006.(23)
10.25	Form of Investor Rights Agreement among Aldabra Acquisition Corporation, Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Holdings Corp., Madison Dearborn Capital Partners IV, L.P., certain stockholders of Aldabra Acquisition Corporation and certain stockholders of GLDD Acquisitions Corp.(3)
10.26	Limited Liability Company Agreement, dated April 30, 2008, by and among NASDI Holdings Corporation, Christopher A. Berardi and NASDI, LLC.(24)
10.27	Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan.†(25)
10.28	Form of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement pursuant to the Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan.†(26)
10.29	Form of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement pursuant to the Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan.†(26)
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10.31	Consulting Agreement with Douglas B. Mackie effective as of September 8, 2010.†(14)
10.32	Consulting and Separation Agreement and General Release with Deborah A. Wensel effective as of September 7, 2010.†(14)
10.33	Asset Purchase Agreement dated as of December 31, 2010 among Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, L.W. Matteson, Inc., Lawrence W. Matteson and Larry W. Matteson.(8)
10.34	Lease Agreement dated as of December 31, 2010 between, L.W. Matteson, Inc. and Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation.(8)
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- 10.35 Secured Subordinated Promissory Note dated December 31, 2010, made and delivered by Great Lakes Dredge & Dock, LLC in favor of L.W. Matteson, Inc.(8)
- 10.36 Employment Agreement between the Company and Richard Lowry.†(27)

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10.37	Registration Rights Agreement, dated January 28, 2011, by and among the Company, certain subsidiary guarantors named therein and the initial purchasers named therein.(7)
10.38	Form of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Performance Vesting RSU Award Agreement pursuant to the Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation 2007 Long-Term Incentive Plan.(31)
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12.1	Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.*
21.1	Subsidiaries of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation.(30)
23.1	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP.*
23.2	Consent of CPA Associates PC.*
23.3	Consent of Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg LLP.* (Included in Exhibit 5.1)
24.1	Powers of Attorney (Included on the signature pages of this Form S-4 and incorporated herein by reference)
25.1	Statement of Eligibility on Form T-1*
99.1	Letter of Transmittal*
99.2	Form of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery*
99.3	Form of Letter to Clients*
99.4	Form of Letter to Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees*
(1)	Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on January 6, 2004 (Commission file no. 333-64687).
(2)	Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 22, 2006 (Commission file no. 333-64687).
(3)	Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Holding Corp.'s Registration Statement on Form S-4 filed with the Commission on August 24, 2006 (Commission file no. 333-136861-01).
(4)	Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Commission on December 26,
(5)	2006 (Commission file no. 001-33225). Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on March 14, 2011 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
(6)	Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on December 29, 2006 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
(7)	Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on January 28, 2011 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
(8)	Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on January 3, 2011 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
(9)	Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the Commission on August 17, 2010 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
(10)	Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on February 5, 2009 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
(11)	Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the Commission on August 17, 2010

(Commission file no. 001-33225).
(12) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Commission on March 22, 2007 (Commission file no. 001-33225).

- (13) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 15, 2007 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (14) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on September 8, 2010 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (15) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on November 17, 2005 (Commission file no. 333-64687).
- (16) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on October 4, 2006 (Commission file no. 333-64687).
- (17) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on April 29, 2009 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (18) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the Commission on August 17, 2010 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (19) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on October 5, 2009 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (20) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the Commission on August 17, 2010 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (21) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on January 18, 2011 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (22) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the Commission on March 30, 2005 (Commission file no. 333-64687).
- (23) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on February 20, 2007 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (24) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on May 6, 2008 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (25) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed with the Commission on April 3, 2008 (Commission file no. 333-150067).
- (26) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on May 22, 2008 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (27) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on July 9, 2007 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (28) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed with the Commission on August 17, 2010 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (29) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on May 11, 2010 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (30) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- (31) Incorporated by reference to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on July 1, 2011 (Commission file no. 001-33225).
- Filed herewith
- † Compensatory plan or arrangement.

#### CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION OF GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK COMPANY, LLC

This Certificate of Formation of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC (the "<u>Company</u>"), dated July 12, 2004, is being duly executed and filed by Eric L. Jacobson, as an authorized person, to form a limited liability company under the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act (6 Del. C. §18-101, *et seq.*).

FIRST. The name of the limited liability company hereby formed is "Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC".

SECOND. The address of the registered office of the Company in the State of Delaware is c/o The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19801.

THIRD. The name and address of the registered agent for service of process on the LLC in the State of Delaware is c/o The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19801.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate of Formation as of the date first above written.

By: /s/ Eric L. Jacobson Name: Eric L. Jacobson

Title: Authorized Person

Exhibit 3.5

# LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT

OF

# GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK COMPANY, LLC,

a Delaware limited liability company

dated as of July 12, 2004

### LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT OF GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK COMPANY, LLC

This LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT (as amended, restated or otherwise modified, this "<u>Agreement</u>") of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC (the "<u>Company</u>") is being executed by Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Member</u>"), as of this 12th day of July, 2004, pursuant to the provisions of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act (6 Del. C. § 18-101, *et seq.*) (as amended from time to time, the "<u>Act</u>"), on the following terms and conditions:

# ARTICLE I THE COMPANY

Section 1.1 <u>Organization</u>. The Member hereby agrees to form a limited liability company pursuant to the provisions of the Act and upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. The Member shall be deemed admitted as a member of the Company upon its execution of this Agreement.

Section 1.2 <u>Company Name</u>. The name of the limited liability company formed hereby shall be "Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC" and all business of the Company shall be conducted in such name or such other name as the Board of Managers shall determine. The Company shall hold all of its property in the name of the Company and not in the name of the Member.

Section 1.3 <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose and business of the Company shall be to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a limited liability company may be organized under the Act and to do any and all acts and things which may be necessary or incidental to the foregoing, the promotion or conduct of the business of the Company or the maintenance and improvement of its property.

Section 1.4 <u>Powers</u>. The Company shall possess and may exercise all the powers and privileges granted by the Act, all other applicable law or by this Agreement, together with any powers incidental thereto, so far as such powers and privileges are necessary or convenient to the conduct, promotion and attainment of the business, purposes or activities of the Company.

Section 1.5 <u>Principal Place of Business</u>. The principal place of business of the Company shall be 2122 York Road, Oak Brook, Illinois 60523 or at such other location as may be designated by the Member from time to time.

Section 1.6 <u>Term</u>. The term of the Company shall be perpetual unless and until the Company is dissolved by the Member or as set forth herein. The existence of the Company as a separate legal entity shall continue until the cancellation of the Certificate of Formation of the Company (the "<u>Certificate</u>") in the manner required by the Act.

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#### Section 1.7 Filings; Agent for Service of Process.

(a) The Certificate has been filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware in accordance with the provisions of the Act. The Board of Managers shall take any and all actions reasonably necessary to perfect and maintain the status of the Company under the laws of the State of Delaware. Any officer of the Company may execute and file amendments to the Certificate whenever required by the Act.

(b) Any officer of the Company may execute and file such forms or certificates and may take any and all other actions as may be reasonably necessary to perfect and maintain the status of the Company under the laws of any other states or jurisdictions in which the Company engages in business.

(c) The initial registered agent for service of process on the Company in the State of Delaware, and the address of such registered agent, shall be the agent for service of process set forth in the Certificate. The Board of Managers may change the registered agent and appoint successor registered agents.

(d) Upon the dissolution and completion of winding up of the Company, the Managers (or, in the event no Manager is then serving, the person responsible for winding up and dissolution of the Company pursuant to <u>Article VI</u> hereof) shall promptly execute and file a certificate of cancellation of the Certificate in accordance with the Act and such other documents as may be required by the laws of any other states or jurisdictions in which the Company has registered to transact business or otherwise filed articles.

Section 1.8 <u>Reservation of Other Business Opportunities</u>. Except and solely to the extent that any business opportunities of the Member are actually exploited by the Company, no business opportunities of the Member shall be deemed the property of the Company. The Member may engage in or possess an interest in any other business venture, independently or with others, of any nature or description, even if such venture or opportunity is in direct competition with the business of the Company; and the Company shall have no rights by virtue hereof in or to such other business ventures, or to the income or profits derived therefrom.

## ARTICLE II MANAGEMENT AND MEMBERSHIP

Section 2.1 <u>Management of Company</u>. The business and affairs of the Company shall be managed under the direction and by the approval of the Member. The Member hereby delegates this right and authority to manage and direct the management of the business and affairs of the Company and to make all decisions to be made by or on behalf of the Company to a Board of Managers as are appointed herein (the "<u>Managers</u>" and each, a "<u>Manager</u>"). Subject to the specific allocation of powers to the officers herein, the Member hereby delegates to the Managers all power and authority to manage, and direct the management, business and affairs of, and to make all decisions to be made by, the Company. The powers of the Board of Managers shall include all powers, statutory or otherwise, possessed by or permitted to managers of a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Delaware. Approval by, consent of or

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action taken by the Board of Managers in accordance with authority granted by or under this Agreement shall constitute approval or action by the Company and shall be binding on the Company. The Board of Managers shall initially consist of three (3) Managers and thereafter shall consist of such number of Managers as the Board of Managers or the Member shall from time to time designate; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the number of Managers shall not be less than one nor more than fifteen at any time. The initial Board of Managers shall be as follows:

Douglas B. Mackie Deborah A. Wensel Leslie A. Braun

Any Person dealing with the Company shall be entitled to rely on a certificate or any writing signed by the Managers as the duly authorized action of the Company. Notwithstanding any other provision herein and to ensure that the Company shall remain eligible to document vessels under the flag of the United States with coastwise endorsements, no more of the Managers may be non-citizens of the United States than a minority of the number necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of the Board of Managers (as determined pursuant to <u>Section 2.7</u>).

Section 2.2 <u>Election; Term of Office; Resignation; Removal; Vacancies</u>. Each Manager shall hold office until his or her successor is elected and qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation or removal. Any Manager may resign at any time upon written notice to the Company directed to the Board of Managers or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein no acceptance of such resignation shall be necessary to make it effective. Any Manager or the entire Board of Managers may be removed, with or without cause, by the vote of the Member. Unless otherwise provided by the Certificate, vacancies and newly created Manager positions resulting from any increase in the authorized number of Managers may be filled only by the Member.

Section 2.3 <u>Regular Meetings</u>. Regular meetings of the Board of Managers shall be held at such dates, times and places either within or without the State of Delaware as the Managers shall from time to time determine.

Section 2.4 <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Board of Managers may be called at any time by the President or by a majority of the Managers. Each special meeting shall be held at such date, time and place either within or without the State of Delaware as shall be fixed by the person or persons calling the meeting.

Section 2.5 <u>Notice of Meetings</u>. Written notice of each meeting of the Board of Managers shall be given which shall state the date, time and place of the meeting. The written notice of any meeting shall be given at least forty-eight hours in advance of the meeting to each Manager. Notice may be given personally or by letter or facsimile. If notice is given by mail or by facsimile, notice shall be deemed to have been given when deposited in the United States mail or transmitted by facsimile, as the case may be.

Section 2.6 <u>Telephonic Meetings Permitted</u>. Members of the Board of Managers may participate in a meeting of the Board of Managers by means of conference telephone or similar

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communication equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and participation in the meeting pursuant to this Agreement shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

Section 2.7 <u>Quorum; Vote Required for Action</u>. Unless otherwise required by law, at each meeting of the Board of Managers, the presence of at least a majority of the then duly elected Managers shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u> that no more than a minority of such Managers constituting a quorum may be non-citizens of the United States. The vote of a majority of the Managers present at a meeting at which a quorum is present (regardless of the number of Managers present at a meeting at which a quorum is present) shall be the act of the Board of Managers, unless the vote of a greater number is required by law or the Certificate. If at any meeting of the Managers a quorum shall not be present, a majority of the Managers present may vote to adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum shall attend.

Section 2.8 <u>Organization</u>. Meetings of the Board of Managers shall be presided over by the President, or in his or her absence by a Vice-President chosen at the meeting in accordance with <u>Section 3.8</u>. The Secretary shall act as secretary of the meeting, or in his or her absence an Assistant Secretary, but in their absence the chairman of the meeting may appoint any person to act as secretary of the meeting.

Section 2.9 <u>Written Consent</u>. Any action requiring the vote, consent, approval or action of the Member may be taken by a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, by the Member. Any action requiring the vote, consent, approval or action of the Board of Managers may be taken by a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, by a majority of the then duly elected Managers.

Section 2.10 <u>Compensation</u>. No salary shall be paid to the Member for its duties set forth hereunder. By resolution of the Board of Managers, the Managers may be paid their expenses, if any, of attendance at each meeting of the Board of Managers, and may be paid a fixed sum for attendance at each meeting of the Board of Managers or a stated salary as Manager. No such payment shall preclude any Manager from serving the Company in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefor.

Section 2.11 Resignation. Subject to Section 6.1, the Member may resign from the Company.

Section 2.12 <u>Transfer of Interest</u>. The Member may transfer or assign all or a portion of its interest in the Company. Upon a transfer of the Member's entire interest in the Company, such transferee or assignee shall become the "Member" for all purposes of this Agreement. Upon a transfer or assignment of less than the Member's entire interest, the Company, the Member and such transferee or assignee shall amend this Agreement to reflect such transfer or assignment, or if the terms of such an amendment shall not be agreed upon, the transferring Member may elect to dissolve the Company in its sole discretion.

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#### Section 2.13 Limited Liability.

(a) Except as otherwise provided by the Act, the debts, obligations and liabilities of the Company, whether arising in contract, tort or otherwise, shall be solely the debts, obligations and liabilities of the Company, and the Member, Managers and officers shall not be obligated personally for any such debt, obligation or liability of the Company solely by reason of being a member, Manager or officer of the Company.

(b) To the extent that at law or in equity, the Member, Managers or officers shall have duties (including fiduciary duties) and liabilities to the Company, such duties and liabilities may be restricted by provisions of this Agreement. The Member, Managers and officers shall not be liable to the Company for any loss, damage or claim incurred by reason of any act or omission performed or omitted by such Member, Manager or officer in good faith on behalf of the Company and in a manner reasonably believed to be within the scope of authority conferred on such Member, Manager or officer by this Agreement.

(c) The Member, Managers and officers shall be fully protected in relying in good faith upon the records of the Company and upon such information, opinions, reports or statements presented to the Company by any person as to the matters the Member, Managers or officers reasonably believe are within such other person's professional or expert competence and who has been selected with reasonable care by or on behalf of the Company, including information, opinions, reports or statements as to the value and amount of the assets, liabilities, profits, losses or net cash flow or any other facts pertinent to the existence and amount of assets from which distributions to the Member might properly be paid.

(d) Any repeal or modification of this <u>Section 2.13</u> shall not adversely affect any right or protection of the Member, Managers and officers existing prior to such repeal or modification.

#### Section 2.14 Indemnification.

(a) The Company shall indemnify and hold harmless the Member and each of its respective affiliates, officers, directors, shareholders, agents or employees (the "Indemnified Parties") from and against any loss, expense, damage or injury suffered or sustained by the Indemnified Parties (or any of them) by reason of any acts, omissions or alleged acts or omissions arising out of its or their activities on behalf of the Company or in furtherance of the interests of the Company, including, but not limited to, any judgment, award, settlement, reasonable attorney's fees and other costs or expenses incurred in connection with the defense of any actual or threatened action, proceeding or claim; provided that the acts, omissions or alleged acts or omissions upon which such actual or threatened action, proceeding or claim is based were not performed or omitted fraudulently or in bad faith or as a result of gross negligence or willful misconduct by any such Indemnified Party; and provided further that such Indemnified Party reasonably believed that the acts, omissions, or alleged acts or omissions upon which such actual or

threatened action, proceeding or claim is based were in the best interests of the Company. Such indemnification shall be made only to the extent of the assets of the Company.

(b) To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, expenses (including legal fees) incurred by an Indemnified Party (or any of them) in defending any claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding shall, from time to time, be advanced by the Company prior to the final disposition of such claim, demand, action, suit or proceeding upon receipt by the Company of an undertaking by or on behalf of the Indemnified Party (or any of them) to repay such amount if it shall be determined that the Indemnified Party is not entitled to be indemnified as authorized in this <u>Section 2.14</u>.

#### ARTICLE III OFFICERS AND LIABILITY

Section 3.1 <u>Officers</u>. The officers of the Company shall be chosen by the Board of Managers and shall be a President, a Chief Executive Officer, a Chief Operating Officer, a Chief Financial Officer, one or more Vice Presidents (the number thereof to be determined by the Board of Managers), a Secretary, a Treasurer, and other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Board of Managers; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that only U.S. citizens may be appointed as President, Chief Executive Officer or any other position which has the sole power to dispose of vessels. Any number of offices may be held by the same person, unless otherwise prohibited by law, the Certificate or this Agreement. The officers of the Company need not be members of the Company nor need such officers be Managers of the Company. In its discretion, the Board of Managers may choose not to fill any office for any period as it may deem advisable.

Section 3.2 <u>Term of Office; Resignation; Removal; Vacancies</u>. The Board of Managers shall elect the officers of the Company who shall hold their offices for such terms and shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as shall be determined from time to time by the Board of Managers; and all officers of the Company shall hold office until their successors are chosen and qualified, or until their earlier death, resignation or removal. Any officer may resign at any time upon written notice to the Company directed to the Board of Managers and the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein no acceptance of such resignation shall be necessary to make it effective. The Board of Managers may remove any officer or agent with or without cause at any time by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Managers. Any such removal shall be without prejudice to the contractual rights of such officer or agent, if any, with the Company, but the election of an officer or agent shall not of itself create any contractual rights. Any vacancy occurring in any office of the Company by death, resignation, removal or otherwise may be filled by the Board of Managers.

Section 3.3 <u>Powers and Duties</u>. The officers of the Company shall have such powers and duties in the management of the Company as shall be stated in this Agreement or in a resolution of the Board of Managers which is not inconsistent with this Agreement and, to the extent not so stated, as generally pertain to their respective offices, subject to the control of the Board of Managers.

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Section 3.4 <u>President</u>. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Managers at which he or she is present, subject to the powers of the Board of Managers. The President shall execute bonds, mortgages and other contracts, except where required or permitted by law to be otherwise signed and executed and except where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Managers to some other officer or agent of the Company. The President shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Managers or as may be provided in this Agreement. No person may serve as President unless that person is a citizen of the United States.

Section 3.5 <u>Chief Executive Officer</u>. The Chief Executive Officer shall be the principal executive officer of the Company; shall, in the absence of the President, preside at all meetings of the Board of Managers at which he or she is present; subject to the powers of the Board of Managers and the President, shall have general charge of the business, affairs and property of the Company, and control over its officers, agents and employees; and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board of Managers are carried into effect. The Chief Executive Officer shall execute bonds, mortgages and other contracts, except where required or permitted by law to be otherwise signed and executed and except where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Managers to some other officer or agent of the Company. The Chief Executive Officer shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Managers, the President or as may be provided in this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein and unless otherwise required by law or determined by the Board of Managers, the positions of President and Chief Executive Officer shall be held by the same individual. No person may serve as Chief Executive Officer unless that person is a citizen of the United States.

Section 3.6 <u>Chief Operating Officer</u>. The Chief Operating Officer of the Company, subject to the powers of the Board of Managers, shall have general and active management of the business of the Company under the direction of the President and the Chief Executive Officer; and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Board of Managers are carried into effect. The Chief Operating Officer shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the President or the Board of Managers or as may be provided in this Agreement.

Section 3.7 <u>Chief Financial Officer</u>. The Chief Financial Officer of the Company shall, under the direction of the Board of Managers and the President, be responsible for all financial and accounting matters and for the direction of the offices of Treasurer and Controller. The Chief Financial Officer shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the President or the Board of Managers or as may be provided by this Agreement.

Section 3.8 <u>Vice Presidents</u>. Any Vice-President who is a citizen of the United States in the order determined by the Board of Managers or by the President shall, in the absence or disability of the President, act with all of the powers and be subject to all the restrictions of the President. The Vice-Presidents shall also perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Managers, the President or this Agreement may, from time to time, prescribe.

Section 3.9 <u>Secretary and the Assistant Secretaries</u>. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Board of Managers, all meetings of the committees thereof and record all the

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proceedings of the meetings in a book or books to be kept for that purpose. Under the President's supervision, the Secretary shall give, or cause to be given, all notices required to be given by this Agreement or by law; and shall have such powers and perform such duties as the Board of Managers, the President or this Agreement may, from time to time, prescribe. The Assistant Secretary, or if there be more than one, the Assistant Secretaries in the order determined by the Board of Managers, shall, in the absence or disability of the Secretary, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Secretary and shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Managers, the President, or Secretary may, from time to time, prescribe.

Section 3.10 <u>Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer</u>. The Treasurer shall, subject to the authority of the Chief Financial Officer, have the custody of the limited liability company funds and securities; shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Company; shall deposit all monies and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Company as may be ordered by the Board of Managers; shall cause the funds of the Company to be disbursed when such disbursements have been duly authorized, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements; and shall render to the President and the Board of Managers, at its regular meeting or when the Board of Managers so requires, an account of the Company; and shall have such powers and perform such duties as the Board of Managers, the President, the Chief Financial Officer or this Agreement may, from time to time, prescribe. The Assistant Treasurer, or if there shall be more than one, the Assistant Treasurers in the order determined by the Board of Managers, shall in the absence or disability of the Treasurer perform the duties and exercise the powers of the Treasurer. The Assistant Treasurers shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Managers, the President, the Chief Financial Officer or Treasurers shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Managers, the President, the Chief Financial Officer or Treasurers shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Managers, the President, the Chief Financial Officer or Treasurers shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the Board of Managers, the President, the Chief Financial Officer or Treasurer may, from time to time, prescribe.

Section 3.11 <u>Other Officers; Security</u>. The other officers, if any, of the Company shall have such duties and powers as generally pertain to their respective offices and such other duties and powers as the Board of Managers shall from time to time delegate to each such officer. The Board of Managers may require any officer, agent or employee to give security, by bond or otherwise, for the faithful performance of his or her duties.

Section 3.12 <u>Compensation of Officers</u>. The salaries of the officers shall be fixed from time to time by the Board of Managers and no officer shall be prevented from receiving such salary by reason of the fact that he or she is also a Manager.

Section 3.13 <u>Books and Records</u>. The Secretary shall keep proper and usual books and records pertaining to the business of the Company. The books and records of the Company shall be kept at the principal office of the Company or at such other places, within or without the State of Delaware, as the Secretary shall from time to time determine.

# ARTICLE IV INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS, MANAGERS AND OTHERS

Section 4.1 <u>Nature of Indemnity</u>. Each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (hereinafter, a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that

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he or she, or a person of whom he or she is the legal representative, is or was a Manager or officer of the Company, or is or was serving at the request of the Company as a manager, director, officer, employee, fiduciary, or agent of another limited liability company or of a corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to an employee benefit plan and whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a Manager, director, officer, employee or agent or in any other capacity while serving as a Manager, director, officer, employee or agent or in any other capacity while serving as a Manager, director, officer, employee or agent, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company to the fullest extent which it is empowered to do so unless prohibited from doing so by the Act, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment, only to the extent that such amendment permits the Company to provide broader indemnification rights than said law permitted the Company to provide prior to such amendment) against all expense, liability and loss (including attorneys' fees actually and reasonably incurred by such person and judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement in connection with such proceeding) and such indemnification shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and administrators; provided, however, that, except as provided in Section 4.2, the Company shall indemnify any such person seeking indemnification in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such person only if such proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized by the Board of Managers of the Company. The right to indemnification conferred in this <u>Article IV</u> shall be a contract right and, subject to <u>Sections 4.2</u> and <u>4.5</u>, shall include the right to be paid by the Company the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition. The Company may, by action of the Board

Section 4.2 Procedure for Indemnification of Managers and Officers. Any indemnification of a Manager or officer of the Company under Section 4.1 or advance of expenses under Section 4.5 shall be made promptly, and in any event within thirty (30) days, upon the written request of the Manager or officer; provided, however, that no payment of any indemnification claims shall be made prior to the approval of such payment by the Board of Managers. If a determination by the Company that the Manager or officer is entitled to indemnification pursuant to this Article IV is required, and the Company fails to respond within sixty (60) days to a written request for indemnity, the Company shall be deemed to have approved the request. If the Company denies a written request for indemnification or advancing of expenses, in whole or in part, or if payment in full pursuant to such request is not made within thirty (30) days, the right to indemnification or advances as granted by this Article IV shall be enforceable by the Manager or officer in any court of competent jurisdiction. Such person's costs and expenses incurred in connection with successfully establishing his or her right to indemnification, in whole or in part, in any such action shall also be indemnified by the Company. If shall be a defense to any such action (other than an action brought to enforce a claim for expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition where the required undertaking, if any, has been tendered to the Company) that the claimant has not met the standards of conduct which make it permissible under the Act for the Company to indemnify the claimant for the amount claimed, but the burden of such defense shall be on the Company. Neither the failure of the Company (including its Board of Managers, independent legal counsel, or its Member) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of such action that indemnification of the claimant is proper in the circumstances because he or she has met the applicable sta

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Company (including its Board of Managers, independent legal counsel, or the Member) that the claimant has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that the claimant has not met the applicable standard of conduct.

Section 4.3 <u>Article Not Exclusive</u>. The rights to indemnification and the payment of expenses incurred in defending a proceeding in advance of its final disposition conferred in this <u>Article IV</u> shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Certificate, this Agreement, agreement, vote of the Member or disinterested Managers or otherwise.

Section 4.4 <u>Insurance</u>. The Company may purchase and maintain insurance on its own behalf or on behalf of any person who is or was a Manager, officer, employee, fiduciary or agent of the Company, or is or was serving at the request of the Company as a manager, director, officer, employee or agent of another limited liability company, corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any expense, liability or loss asserted against him or her in any such capacity, or arising out of his or her status as such, whether or not the Company would have the power to indemnify such person against such expense, liability or loss under this <u>Article IV</u>.

Section 4.5 <u>Expenses</u>. Unless otherwise determined by the Board of Managers in a specific case, expenses incurred by any person described in <u>Section 4.1</u> in defending a proceeding shall be paid by the Company in advance of such proceeding's final disposition upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the Manager or officer to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that he or she is not entitled to be indemnified by the Company. Such expenses incurred by other employees and agents may be so paid upon such terms and conditions, if any, as the Board of Managers deems appropriate.

Section 4.6 <u>Employees and Agents</u>. Persons who are not covered by the foregoing provisions of this <u>Article IV</u> and who are or were employees or agents of the Company, or who are or were serving at the request of the Company as employees or agents of another limited liability company, corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, may be indemnified to the extent authorized at any time or from time to time by the Board of Managers.

Section 4.7 <u>Contract Rights</u>. The provisions of this <u>Article IV</u> shall be deemed to be a contract right between the Company and each Manager or officer who serves in any such capacity at any time while this <u>Article IV</u> and the relevant provisions of the Act or any other applicable law are in effect, and any repeal or modification of this <u>Article IV</u> or any such law shall not affect any rights or obligations then existing with respect to any state of facts or proceeding then existing.

Section 4.8 <u>Merger or Consolidation</u>. For purposes of this <u>Article IV</u>, references to "the Company" shall include, in addition to the resulting company, any constituent company (including any constituent of a constituent) absorbed in a consolidation or merger which, if its separate existence had continued, would have had power and authority to indemnify its managers, directors, officers, and employees or agents, so that any person who is or was a manager, director, officer, employee or agent of such constituent company, or is or was serving at the request of such constituent company as a manager, director, officer, employee or agent of

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another limited liability company, corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall stand in the same position under this <u>Article IV</u> with respect to the resulting or surviving company as he or she would have with respect to such constituent company if its separate existence had continued.

# ARTICLE V FISCAL MATTERS

Section 5.1 <u>Deposits</u>. All funds of the Company shall be deposited in an account or accounts in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the President or Chief Financial Officer may select.

Section 5.2 <u>Financial Records</u>. All financial records shall be maintained and reported using United States generally accepted accounting principles, consistently applied.

Section 5.3 <u>Fiscal Year</u>. The fiscal year of the Company shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day of December each year, unless otherwise determined by the Managers.

Section 5.4 <u>Agreements, Consents, Checks, Etc.</u> All agreements, consents, checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, and all notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Company shall be signed by the President, any Vice President, the Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Treasurer or those persons authorized from time to time by the President or the Board of Managers.

Section 5.5 <u>Transactions with the Member</u>. Except as provided in the Act, the Member may lend money to, borrow money from, act as surety, guarantor or endorser for, guarantee or assume one or more obligations of, provide collateral for, and transact other business with the Company and has the same rights and obligations with respect to any such matter as a person who is not the Member.

#### Section 5.6 Contribution.

(a) The initial contribution of the Member is specified on <u>Exhibit A</u> and shall be deemed made upon the execution by the Member of this Agreement. No interest shall accrue on any contribution and the Member shall not have the right to withdraw or be repaid any contribution except as provided herein.

(b) The Member may make additional contributions at any time. Except to the extent of any outstanding commitment of the Member to make a contribution, the Member shall not be obligated to make any additional contributions. The Member shall adjust the contribution reflected on <u>Exhibit A</u> at any time when the Member makes or promises to make a contribution to the Company.

(c) To the fullest extent permitted by the Act, the Member may revoke and extinguish any obligation to make any contribution hereunder by adjusting the contribution reflected on <u>Exhibit A</u> so as to subtract and remove any portion of the total

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contribution reflected thereon attributable to the contribution obligation being extinguished.

Section 5.7 <u>Distributions</u>. The Company may make distributions as determined by the Board of Managers from time to time in accordance with this Agreement; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no distribution shall be declared and paid unless, after the distribution is made, the assets of the Company are in excess of the liabilities of the Company and such distribution does not violate the Act or other applicable law. The Member may, at its sole discretion, elect to receive a distribution from assets other than cash.

#### ARTICLE VI LIQUIDATION

Section 6.1 <u>Liquidating Events</u>. The Company shall dissolve and commence winding up and liquidation only upon the first to occur of any of the following ("<u>Liquidation Events</u>"):

(a) the sale of all or substantially all of the property of the Company;

(b) the resignation of the Member or any other event that causes the last remaining member of the Company to cease to be a member of the Company, unless the business of the Company is continued in a manner permitted by the Act; or

(c) the entry of a decree of judicial dissolution pursuant to Section 18-802 of the Act.

Section 6.2 <u>Winding Up</u>. Upon the occurrence of a Liquidating Event, the Company shall continue solely for the purpose of winding up its affairs in an orderly manner, liquidating its assets and satisfying the claims of its creditors and Member. The Member, Managers and officers shall not take any action which is inconsistent with, or not necessary to or appropriate for, the winding up of the Company's business and affairs. The Managers shall be responsible for overseeing the winding up and dissolution of the Company and shall take full account of the Company's liabilities. The property of the Company shall be liquidated as promptly as is consistent with obtaining the fair value thereof, and the proceeds therefrom, to the extent sufficient, shall be applied and distributed, subject to any reasonable reserves maintained for contingent, conditional or unmatured obligations of the Company, in the following order:

(a) <u>first</u>, to the satisfaction (whether by payment or the making of reasonable provision for payment thereof) of all of the Company's debts and liabilities to creditors other than the Member;

(b) <u>second</u>, to the satisfaction (whether by payment or the making of reasonable provision for payment thereof) of all of the Company's debts and liabilities to the Member; and

(c) the balance, if any, to the Member.

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Section 6.3 <u>Member's Bankruptcy</u>. The Member shall not cease to be the Member solely as a result of the occurrence of any of the following and upon the occurrence of any such event, the business of the Company shall continue without dissolution:

(a) the Member makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors;

(b) the Member files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy;

(c) the Member is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, or has entered against it an order of relief, in any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding;

(d) the Member files a petition or answer seeking for itself any reorganization, arrangement, composition, readjustment, liquidation, dissolution or similar relief under any statute, law or regulation;

(e) the Member files an answer or other pleading admitting or failing to contest the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any proceeding of this nature;

(f) the Member seeks, consents to or acquiesces in the appointment of a trustee, receiver or liquidator of the member or of all or any substantial part of its properties;

(g) any proceeding against the Member seeking reorganization, arrangement, composition, readjustment, liquidation, dissolution or similar relief under any statute, law or regulation is not dismissed; or

(h) appointment of a trustee, receiver or liquidator of the Member.

#### ARTICLE VII MISCELLANEOUS

Section 7.1 <u>Amendments</u>. This Agreement may be altered, amended or repealed, or a new Agreement may be adopted, upon the consent of the Member; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no changes may be made to this Agreement that would have the effect of rendering the Company ineligible to document vessels under the flag of the United States with coastwise endorsements.

Section 7.2 <u>Merger and Conversion</u>. The Company may be merged, consolidated or converted with or into any other entity upon the consent of the Member.

Section 7.3 <u>Binding Effect</u>. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, every covenant, term and provision of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Member and its respective heirs, legatees, legal representatives, successors, transferees and assigns.

Section 7.4 Creditors. None of the provisions of this Agreement shall be for the benefit of or enforced by any creditor of the Company or Member.

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Section 7.5 Construction. The Member shall have the full power and authority to construe and interpret this Agreement.

Section 7.6 <u>Headings</u>. Section and other headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and are not intended to describe, interpret, define or limit the scope, extent or intent of this Agreement or any provision hereof.

Section 7.7 <u>Severability</u>. Every provision of this Agreement is intended to be severable. If any term or provision hereof is illegal or invalid for any reason whatsoever, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect the legality or validity of the remainder of this Agreement.

Section 7.8 <u>Variation of Pronouns</u>. All pronouns and any variations thereof shall be deemed to refer to masculine, feminine or neuter, singular or plural, as the identity of the person or persons may require.

Section 7.9 <u>Governing Law</u>. The laws of the State of Delaware shall govern the validity of this Agreement, the construction of its terms, and the interpretation of the rights and duties of the Member, Managers and officers, without regard to the principles of conflicts of laws.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Member has executed this Limited Liability Company Agreement as of the day first above set forth.

GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK CORPORATION

By: /s/ Douglas B. Mackie

Name: Douglas B. Mackie Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

# EXHIBIT A

# TO THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AGREEMENT OF GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK COMPANY, LLC

MEMBER NAME AND ADDRESS Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation 2122 York Road Oak Brook, Illinois 60523

CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS \$ 1,000.00 MEMBERSHIP INTERESTS 100%

# CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

# DAWSON DREDGING COMPANY

1. The name of the corporation is:

### DAWSON DREDGING COMPANY

2. The address of its registered office in the State of Delaware is Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle. The name of its registered agent at such address is The Corporation Trust Company.

3. The nature of the business or purposes to be conducted or promoted is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of Delaware.

4. The total number of shares of common stock which the corporation shall have authority to issue is One Hundred (100) all of such shares shall be without par value.

5. The board of directors is authorized to make, alter or repeal the by-laws of the corporation. Election of directors need not be by written ballot.

6. The name and mailing address of the incorporator is:

M. C. Kinnamon Corporation Trust Center 1209 Orange Street Wilmington, Delaware 19801

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, being the incorporator hereinbefore named, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to the General Corporation Law of Delaware, do make this certificate, hereby declaring and certifying that this is my act and deed and the facts herein stated are true, and accordingly have hereunto set my hand this 23rd day of March, 1987.

/s/ M. C. Kinnamon

M. C. Kinnamon

# **CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT**

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# CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

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Dawson Dredging Company, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware,

## DOES HEREBY CERTIFY:

FIRST: That the Board of Directors of said corporation, by the unanimous written consent of its members, filed with the minutes of the Board, adopted a resolution proposing and declaring advisable the following amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation of said corporation:

RESOLVED, that the Certificate of Incorporation of Dawson Dredging Company, filed with the office of the Secretary of State of Delaware on March 23, 1987 be and hereby is amended by changing the First Article thereof so that, as amended, said Article shall be and read as follows:

FIRST: The name of the corporation is Dawson Marine Services Company (hereinafter, the "Corporation").

SECOND: That in lieu of a meeting and vote of stockholders, the stockholders have given unanimous written consent to said amendment in accordance with the provisions of Section 228 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

THIRD: That the aforesaid amendment was duly adopted in accordance with the applicable provisions of Sections 242 and 228 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

STATE OF DELAWARE SECRETARY OF STATE DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS FILED 02:30 PM 06/30/2000 001336280 – 2121189 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Dawson Dredging Company has caused this certificate to be signed by Deborah A. Wensel, its Chief Financial Officer, this 30 day of June, 2000.

By:/s/ Deborah A. WenselName:Deborah A. WenselTitle:Chief Financial Officer

## BY-LAWS OF DAWSON DREDGING COMPANY \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# ARTICLE I

# **Offices**

The principal office of the corporation in the State of Delaware shall be located in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle. The corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Delaware, as the Board of Directors may designate or as the business of the corporation may require from time to time.

The registered office of the corporation required by The Delaware General Corporation Law to be maintained in the State of Delaware, may be, but need not be, identical with the principal office in the State of Delaware, and the address of the registered office may be changed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

# ARTICLE II

### Meeting of Stockholders

Section 1. <u>Annual Meeting</u>. The annual meeting of the stockholders shall be held commencing with the year 1988 on the first Tuesday, in the month of April in each year, at the hour of one o'clock p.m., at the principal office of the corporation in the City of Wilimington, County of New Castle and State of Delaware, or at such other time or place, within or without the State of Delaware, as the Board of Directors may designate. If the date fixed for the annual meeting shall be a legal holiday in the State of Delaware, such meeting shall be held on the next succeeding business day at the same hour and place.

Section 2. <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the stockholders may be called by one of the Directors of the corporation. Any meeting of stockholders may be adjourned from time to time to another hour or place, within or without the State of Delaware.

Section 3. <u>Notice of Meeting</u>. Unless otherwise required by law, written or printed notice stating the place, day and hour of the meeting and the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, shall be delivered not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting, either personally or by mail, by or at the direction of the Chairman of the Board, or the Secretary, or the officer or persons calling the meeting, to each stockholder of record entitled to vote at such meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the stockholder at his address as it appears on the stock transfer books of the corporation, with postage thereon prepaid.

Whenever any notice is required to be given to any stockholder, a written waiver of notice signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated in the waiver, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice; and attendance of a stockholder at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of the meeting unless such attendance is for the sole purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the ground that the meeting was not lawfully called or convened. No notice of an adjourned meeting of stockholders need be given if the time and place of the adjourned meeting are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, unless the adjournment is for a period greater than thirty (30) days or unless after the adjournment a new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting.

Section 4. <u>Voting Lists</u>. The officer or agent having charge of the stock transfer books for shares of the corporation shall make and certify a complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at such meeting, or any adjournment thereof, arranged in alphabetical order, within each class and series with the address of and the number of shares held by each. Such list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, for a period of at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting, either at a place within the city where the meeting is to be held, which place shall be specified in the notice of the meeting, or, if not so specified, at the place where the meeting is to be held. The list shall also be produced and kept at the time and place of the meeting during the whole time thereof, and may be inspected by any stockholder who is present. Such list shall be prima facie evidence as to who are the stockholders entitled to examine such list or to vote at any meeting. Failure to comply with the requirements of this section shall not affect the validity of any action taken at such meeting prior to the making of a demand for compliance by any stockholder.

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Section 5. <u>Fixing of Record Date</u>. For the purpose of determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof, or stockholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend, or in order to make a determination of stockholders for any other proper purpose, the Board of Directors of the corporation may fix, in advance, a date as the record date for any such determination of stockholders. Such date shall be not more than sixty (60) nor less than ten (10) days before the date of such meeting, nor more than sixty (60) days prior to any other action. If no record date is fixed for the determination of stockholders entitled to notice of or a vote at a meeting of stockholders, the record date shall be the close of business on the day next preceding the date on which notice is given. The record date for determining stockholders for any other purpose shall be at the close of business on the date on which the resolution of the Board of Directors relating thereto is adopted. When a determination of stockholders of record entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders has been made as provided in this section, such determination shall apply to any adjournment thereof, unless the Board fixes a new record date under this section for the adjourned meeting.

Section 6. <u>Quorum</u>. Unless other wise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, the holders of shares entitled to cast a majority of the votes at a meeting shall constitute a quorum at such meeting. The stockholders present in person or by proxy at a duly organized meeting may continue to do business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough stockholders to leave less than a quorum. Less than a quorum may adjourn. Whenever the holders of any class or series of shares are entitled to vote separately on a specified item of business, the provisions of this section shall apply in determining the presence of a quorum of such class or series for the transaction of such specified item of business.

Section 7. <u>Proxy Voting</u>. Every stockholder entitled to vote at a meeting of stockholders or to express consent or dissent without a meeting may authorize another person or persons to act for him by proxy. Every proxy shall be executed in writing by the stockholder or his agent, but need not be sealed, witnessed or acknowledged. No proxy shall be valid after eleven months from the date of its execution, unless a longer time is expressly provided therein, but in no event shall a proxy be valid after three years from the date of execution. The presence at any meeting of any stockholder who has given a proxy shall not revoke such proxy unless the stockholder shall file written notice of such revocation with the Secretary of the meeting prior to the voting of such proxy. The instrument authorizing a proxy to act shall be exhibited to the Secretary and lodged with him if he shall so request.

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Section 8. <u>Voting of Shares</u>. Each outstanding share entitled to vote shall be entitled to one vote upon each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of stockholders, unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation. So long as required by the law of Delaware, stockholders are entitled to cumulative voting upon the election of directors. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, all elections of directors shall be by written ballot.

Section 9. <u>Voting of Shares by Certain Holders</u>. Shares standing in the name of another corporation may be voted by any officer or agent or by proxy appointed by any of them, unless some other persons, by resolution of its Board or pursuant to its by-laws, shall be appointed to vote such shares.

Shares held by any person in any representative or fiduciary capacity may be voted by him, either in person or by proxy, without a transfer of such shares into his name.

A stockholder whose shares are pledged shall be entitled to vote such shares until the shares have been transferred into the name of the pledgee, or a nominee of the pledgee, and thereafter the pledgee or such nominee shall be entitled to vote the shares so transferred.

Shares of its own stock issued and reacquired and held in Treasury and shares of its own stock redeemed by the Corporation shall not be voted, directly or indirectly, at any meeting, and shall not be counted in determining the total number of outstanding shares at any given time.

Section 10. <u>Votes Required</u>. At each election of directors every stockholder entitled to vote at such election shall have the right to vote the number of shares owned by him for as many persons as there are directors to be elected and for whose election he has a right to vote. Unless otherwise provided by the Certificate of Incorporation, directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast at an election.

Whenever any action, other than the election of directors is to be taken by vote of the stockholders, it shall be authorized by a majority of the votes cast at a meeting of stockholders by the holders of shares entitled to vote thereon, unless a greater plurality is required by the Certificate of Incorporation.

Where voting as a class or series is provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, it shall be by the proportionate vote provided in the certificate or, if no proportionate vote is so provided, then for any action other than the election of directors, by a majority of the votes cast at such meeting by the holders of shares of such class or series entitled to vote thereon.

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Section 11. <u>Selection of Inspectors</u>. If inspectors are to be appointed to act at each meeting of the stockholders or any adjournment thereof, such inspectors to act at the meeting may be appointed by the Board, in advance of any stockholders' meeting, or by the person presiding at the stockholders' meeting at the meeting. In case any person appointed as inspector fails to qualify, appear or act, the vacancy may be filled by appointment at the meeting by the person presiding. Each inspector, before entering upon the discharge of his duties, shall take and sign an oath faithfully to execute the duties of inspector at such meeting with strict impartiality and according to the best of his ability. No person shall be elected a director at a meeting at which he has served as an inspector.

Section 12. <u>Duties of Inspectors</u>. The inspectors shall determine the number of shares outstanding and the voting power of each, the shares represented at the meeting, the existence of a quorum, the validity and effect of proxies, and shall receive votes or consents, hear and determine all challenges and questions arising in connection with the right to vote, count and tabulate all votes or consents, determine the result, and do such acts as are proper to conduct the election or vote with fairness to all stockholders. On request of the person presiding at the meeting, or any stockholder entitled to vote thereat, the inspectors shall make a report in writing of any challenge, questions or matter determined by them. Any report made by them shall be prima facie evidence of the facts therein stated, and such report shall be filed with the minutes of the meeting.

Section 13. <u>Order of Business</u>. The order of business at all meetings of the stockholders after call to order, appointment of inspectors and proof of notice of the meeting shall be determined by the person presiding at the meeting.

Section 14. <u>Books and Records; Right of Inspection</u>. The corporation shall keep books and records of account of minutes of the proceedings of its stockholders, Board and Executive Committee, if any, at its principal place of business in Oak Brook, Illinois. Records containing the names and addresses of all stockholders, the number, class and series of shares held by each and the dates when they respectively become the owners of record thereof shall be kept at the office of the corporation's transfer agent from time to time appointed. The corporation shall convert into written form without charge any of the aforementioned records not in such form, upon the written request of any person entitled to inspect them.

Upon the written request of any stockholder, the corporation shall mail to any requesting stockholder its balance sheet as at the end of the preceding fiscal year, and its profit and loss statements for such fiscal year.

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# ARTICLE III

## Board of Directors

Section 1. <u>General Powers</u>. The business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors which may exercise all of the powers of the company except such as are by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these By-Laws conferred upon or reserved to other persons.

Section 2. <u>Number, Tenure, Qualification and Classification</u>. The number of directors of the corporation shall be not less than three and not more than twelve. There shall be one class of directors. In addition, if required by the Certificate of Incorporation, the corporation may provide for the election of one or more additional directors by the stockholders of any class or series, to the exclusion of other stockholders. Each director shall hold office until the term for which he has been elected expires and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified. Directors need not be residents of the State of Delaware or stockholders of the corporation.

Section 3. <u>Regular Meetings</u>. A regular meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held without other notice than this By-Law immediately after, and at the same place as, the Annual Meeting of Stockholders, and if a quorum is not there present, or the Board otherwise determines, the meeting shall be adjourned to meet at such other time and place, within or without the State of Delaware, but within thirty (30) days after the Annual Meeting of Stockholders, as the Board so determines. The Board of Directors may provide, by resolution, the time and place, either within or without the State of Delaware, for the holding of additional regular meetings without other notice than such resolution. Any or all directors may participate in a regular or special meeting of the Board of a committee of the Board by means of conference telephone or any means of communication by which all persons participating in the meeting are able to hear each other.

Section 4. <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the President of the Company or a majority of directors. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board of Directors may fix any place, either within or without the State of Delaware, as the place for holding any special meeting of the Board of Directors called by them.

Section 5. <u>Notice</u>. Notice of any special meeting shall be given at least two days previously thereto by written notice delivered personally, by mail or by telegram to each director at his business address or residence. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail so addressed, with postage thereon prepaid. If notice be given by telegram, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when the telegram is delivered to the telegraph company. Any director may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting that the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting.

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Section 6. <u>Quorum</u>. A majority of the number of directors fixed by Section 2 of this Article III shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors, but if less than such majority is present at a meeting, a majority of the directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

Section 7. <u>Manner of Acting</u>. The act of the majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors.

Section 8. <u>Vacancies</u>. Any directorship not filled at the Annual Meeting, any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of directors, and any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors though less than a quorum of the Board of Directors, or by a sole remaining director. Any director elected by the Board to fill a vacancy or by reason of a directorship not filled at the Annual Meeting or due to an increase in the number of directors shall hold office until the next Annual Meeting and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified.

Section 9. Compensation. The Board of Directors, shall not be compensated for acting as a Director of the Corporation.

Section 10. <u>Presumption of Asset</u>. A director of the corporation who is present at a meeting of the Board of Directors at which action on any corporate matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless his dissent shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting or unless he shall file his written dissent to such action with the person acting as the secretary of the meeting before the adjournment thereof or shall forward such dissent by registered mail to the secretary of the corporation immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right to dissent shall not apply to a director who voted in favor of such action. A director who is absent from any meeting of the Board, or any committee thereof of which he is a member at which any such action is taken shall be presumed to have concurred in the action unless he shall file his dissent with the secretary of the corporation within a reasonable time after learning of such action.

Section 11. <u>Executive Committee</u>; Other Committees. The Board, by resolution adopted by a majority of the entire Board, may appoint from among its members an Executive Committee and one or more other committees, each of which shall have at least three members. Each such committee may exercise that authority granted by the Board, except that no such committee shall:

- (a) make, alter or repeal any By-Law of the corporation;
- (b) elect or appoint any director, or remove any officer or director;
- (c) submit to stockholders any action that requires stockholders' approval; or
- (d) amend or repeal any resolution theretofore adopted by the board.

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The Board by resolution adopted by a majority of the entire Board, may:

- (a) fill any vacancy in any such committee;
- (b) appoint one or more directors to serve as alternate members of any committee, to act in the absence or disability of members of any such committee with all the powers of such absent or disabled members;
- (c) abolish any such committee at its pleasure;
- (d) remove any director from membership on such committee at any time, with or without cause.

Actions taken at a meeting of any such committee shall be reported to the board at its next meeting following such committee meeting.

Section 12. <u>Indemnification of Directors, Officers, Employees and Corporate Agents</u>. The corporation shall indemnify each director, officer, employee or corporate agent against his expenses and liabilities in connection with any action, suit or proceeding, including proceedings brought by or in the right of the corporation, whether or not he shall have been adjudged liable for negligence or misconduct, provided that he acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation.

Expenses incurred by a director, officer, employee or corporate agent in connection with any action, suit or proceeding shall be paid by the corporation as incurred upon receipt of an undertaking by him or on his behalf to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that he is not entitled to be indemnified as provided in these By-Laws.

The corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any director, officer, employee or corporate agent against his expenses and liabilities in connection with any action, suit or proceeding.

The indemnification and insurance provided by these By-Laws shall not exclude any other rights, if any, to which any director, officer, employee or corporate agent may be entitled. No amendment to or restatement of these By-Laws shall impair the indemnification provided by these By-Laws with respect to any action or failure to act, or alleged action or failure to act, occurring or alleged to have occurred prior to such amendment or restatement.

The term corporation, as used in this Section, shall include the surviving corporation in any merger or consolidation to which the corporation is a party.

# ARTICLE IV

## **Officers**

Section 1. <u>Number</u>. The officers of the corporation shall be a a President, one or more Vice-Presidents (the number thereof to be determined by the Board of Directors), a Secretary and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected by the Board of Directors. Such other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary may be elected or appointed by the Board of Directors. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, but no officer shall execute, acknowledge or verify any instrument in more than one capacity, if such instrument is required by law or these By-Laws to be executed, acknowledged or verified by two or more officers.

Section 2. <u>Election and Term of Office</u>. The officers of the corporation to be elected by the Board of Directors shall be elected by the Board of Directors at the first meeting of the Board of Directors held after an Annual Meeting of the Stockholders, to hold office for such term for which he is so elected or appointed and until a successor is elected or appointed and has qualified, subject to earlier termination by death, removal or resignation. If the election of officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be.

Section 3. <u>Removal</u>. Any officer elected or appointed by the Board may be removed by the Board with or without cause whenever in its judgment the best interest of the corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed. Election or appointment of an officer shall not of itself create contract rights.

Section 4. <u>Vacancies</u>. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the Board for the unexpired portion of the term, or for such other term as the Board determines.

Section 5. <u>President</u>. The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the corporation and, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affirs of the corporation. He shall preside at all meetings of the stockholders of the corporation and at all meetings of the Board of Directors. He may sign, with the Treasurer and Secretary or any other proper officer of the corporation thereunto authorized by the Board of Directors, certificates for shares of the corporation. He may also sign, with the Treasurer or the Secretary where required, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments, except in cases where the

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signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or these By-Laws in writing, to some other officer or agent of the corporation, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board from time to time. He may delegate and assign to any of the Vice-Presidents of the corporation the performance of any of the duties and the exercise of any of the authority incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time, including his authority to execute any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments.

Section 6. <u>The Vice-Presidents</u>. In the absence of the President or in the event of his death, inability or refusal to act, any Vice-President designated by the Board of Directors or by the President of the corporation shall perform the duties of the President and when so acting shall have all the powers of, and subject to all the restrictions upon, the President. Any Vice-President may sign, with the Treasurer or Secretary or an Assistant Treasurer or Assistant Secretary, certificates for shares of the corporation; and shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or the Board of Directors.

Section 7. The Secretary. The Secretary shall: (a) keep the minutes of the shareholders' and the Board of Directors' meetings in one or more books provided for that purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the corporation and see that the seal of the corporation is affixed to all documents the execution of which on behalf of the corporation under its seal is duly authorized; (d) keep a register of the post office address of each stockholder which shall be furnished to the Secretary by such stockholder; (e) sign with the President, or a Vice-President, certificates for shares of the corporation, the issuance of which shall have been authorized by resolution of the Board of Directors; (f) have general charge of the stock transfer books of the corporation; and (g) in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or the Board of Directors.

Section 8. <u>The Treasurer</u>. The Treasurer shall: (a) have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such monies in the name of the corporation in such banks or trust companies as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Article V of these By-Laws; (b) sign with the President, or a Vice-President, certificates for shares of the corporation, the issuance of which shall have been authorized by resolution of the Board of Directors; and (c) in general perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President, or the Board of Directors.

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Section 9. <u>The Controller</u>. The Controller shall: (a) have supervision of the account books of the corporation and its subsidiary and affiliate corporations and see that the system of keeping such account books is maintained; (b) keep in his department a complete set of records of all business transactions of the corporation pertaining to accounts and, when requested, furnish a statement of the earnings and expenses of the corporation, or any subsidiary or affiliated corporation for any given time; (c) render assistance and advice, when requested, concerning the books, accounts and systems of financial transactions of the corporation; (d) in addition, perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors, the President, or the Treasurer.

Section 10. <u>Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers.</u> The Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers, when authorized by the Board of Directors or these By-Laws, may sign with the President or a Vice-President certificates for shares of the corporation the issuance of which shall have been authorized by a resolution of the Board of Directors. The Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers, in general, shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the Secretary or the Treasurer, respectively, or by the Chairman of the Board, the President or the Board of Directors.

Section 11. <u>Salaries</u>. The salaries of the officers shall be fixed from time to time by the Board of Directors and no officer shall be prevented from receiving such salary by reason of the fact that he is also a director of the corporation.

# ARTICLE V

#### Contracts, Loans, Checks and Deposits

Section 1. <u>Contracts</u>. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, the Board of Directors, or the President of the corporation may authorized any officer or officers, agent or agents, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

Section 2. <u>Loans</u>. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation no loans shall be contracted on behalf of the corporation and no evidences of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the Board of Directors. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

Section 3. <u>Checks</u>, <u>Drafts</u>, <u>Etc</u>. All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation, shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors.

Section 4. <u>Deposits</u>. All funds of the corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks or trust companies as the Board of Directors may select.

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## ARTICLE VI

## Certificates for Shares and Their Transfer

Section 1. <u>Certificates for Shares</u>. Certificates representing shares of the corporation shall be of such design as the officers or the Board of Directors may determine and shall be signed either manually by the President or one of the Vice-Presidents and by the Treasurer or Secretary or an Assistant Treasurer or Assistant Secretary or with the facsimile signatures of the President and Treasurer or Secretary of the corporation and shall be ar the corporate seal, or a facsimile thereof, and shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signature of one of the transfer agents and the manual signature of one of the registrars of the corporation. In case any officer, transfer agent or registrar who has signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed upon such certificate shall have ceased to be such officer, transfer agent or registrar before such certificate is issued, it may be issued by this corporation with the same effect as if he were such officer, transfer agent or registrar at the date of its issue. All certificates for shares shall be consecutively numbered or otherwise identified. The name and address of the person to whom the shares represented thereby are issued, with the number of shares and date of issue shall be entered on the stock transfer books of the corporation, and copies thereof retained by the transfer agent. All certificates surrendered to the corporation for transfer shall be cancelled and no new certificate shall be issued until the former certificate for a like number of shares shall have been surrendered and cancelled, except that in case of a lost, destroyed or mutilated certificate a new one may be issued therefor upon such terms and indemnity to the corporation as the Board of Directors may prescribe.

Section 2. <u>Transfer of Shares</u>. Transfer of shares of the corporation shall be made only on the stock transfer books of the corporation by the holder of record thereof or by his legal representative, who shall furnish proper evidence of authority to transfer, or by his attorney thereunto authorized by power of attorney duly executed and filed with the Secretary of the corporation, and on surrender for cancellation of the certificate for such shares. The person in whose name shares stand on the books of the corporation shall be deemed by the corporation to be the owner thereof for all purposes.

Section 3. <u>Transfer Agent and Registrar</u>. The Board of Directors may appoint one or more transfer agents and one or more registrars of transfers and may require all stock certificates to be countersigned by such a transfer agent and registered by such a registrar of transfers.

## ARTICLE VII

## Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the first day of January and end on the thirty-first day of December in each year.

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# ARTICLE VIII

#### **Dividends**

The Board of Directors may from time to time declare, and the corporation may pay, dividends on its outstanding shares in the manner and upon the terms and conditions provided by law and its Certificate of Incorporation.

# ARTICLE IX

# <u>Seal</u>

Seal. The seal of the corporation shall contain the words "DAWSON DREDGING COMPANY, Delaware 1987, Corporate Seal".

# ARTICLE X

# Waiver of Notice

Whenever any notice is required to be given to any stockholder or director of the corporation under the provisions of these By-Laws or under the provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation or under the provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

## ARTICLE XI

## Definitions

The terms used in these By-Laws unless defined in the Certificate of Incorporation shall have the meanings set forth in the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, as amended.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION**

#### OF

# GREAT LAKES CARIBBEAN DREDGING, INC.

# A DELAWARE CORPORATION

FIRST. The name of the corporation is Great Lakes Caribbean Dredging, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Corporation").

SECOND. The address of the Corporation's registered office in the State of Delaware is Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle. The name of its registered agent at such address is The Corporation Trust Company.

THIRD. The nature of the business of or purpose to be conducted or promoted by the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "General Corporation Law").

FOURTH. The total number of shares of stock which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is 1000 shares. All of such shares are Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share.

FIFTH. The name and mailing address of the sole incorporator is:

Name:	Mailing Address:
Renee D. Marr	Winston & Strawn
	35 West Wacker Drive
	Chicago, Illinois 60601

SIXTH. In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statute, the board of directors of the Corporation is expressly authorized to adopt, amend or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation. Election of directors need not be by written ballot unless the By-Laws so provide.

SEVENTH. To the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law as the same exists or may hereafter be amended, a director of the Corporation shall not be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director. Any repeal or modification of this SEVENTH Article shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification.

I, the undersigned, being the sole incorporator hereinbefore named, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to the General Corporation Law, do make this certificate, hereby declaring and certifying that this is my actual deed and that the facts stated herein are true, and accordingly have hereunto set my hand this 10th day of February, 2000.

/s/ Renee D. Marr

Renee D. Marr Sole Incorporator

# **BY-LAWS**

## OF

## GREAT LAKES CARIBBEAN DREDGING, INC.

## a Delaware corporation

#### ARTICLE I

### **Offices**

Section 1.1 <u>Registered Office</u>. The registered office of the Corporation in the State of Delaware shall be located at 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware, County of New Castle. The name of the Corporation's registered agent at such address shall be The Corporation Trust Company.

Section 1.2 <u>Other Offices</u>. The Corporation may also have offices at such other places both within and without the State of Delaware as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine or the business of the Corporation may require.

#### ARTICLE II

### **Stockholders**

Section 2.1 <u>Annual Meetings</u>. An annual meeting of stockholders shall be held each year for the election of directors at such date, time and place either within or without the State of Delaware as shall be designated by the Board of Directors. Any other proper business may be transacted at the annual meeting of stockholders.

Section 2.2 <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of stockholders may be called at any time by the Board of Directors, the Chairman, if any, the Vice Chairman, if any, or the President and shall be called by the Chairman or the Secretary at the request, in writing, stating the purpose or purposes of the meeting, of stockholders who hold a majority of the outstanding shares of each class of capital stock entitled to vote at the meeting. Each special meeting shall be held at such date, time and place either within or without the State of Delaware as shall be designated by the person or persons calling such meeting at least ten days prior to such meeting.

Section 2.3 <u>Notice of Meeting</u>. Unless otherwise provided by law, whenever stockholders are required or permitted to take any action at a meeting, a written notice of the meeting shall be given which shall state the date, time and place of the meeting and, in the case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called. Unless otherwise provided by law, the written notice of any meeting shall be given not less than ten nor more than sixty days before the date of the meeting to each stockholder entitled to vote at the meeting. If mailed, notice is given when deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, directed to the stockholder at his address as it appears on the records of the Corporation.

Section 2.4 <u>Adjournments</u>. Any meeting of stockholders, annual or special, may adjourn from time to time to reconvene at the same or some other place, and notice need not be given of any such adjourned meeting if the time and place thereof are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken. At the adjourned meeting, the Corporation may transact any business which might have been transacted at the original meeting. If the adjournment is for more than thirty days, or if after the adjournment a new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, a notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given to each stockholder of record entitled to vote at the meeting.

Section 2.5 Quorum. Unless otherwise provided by law or the certificate of incorporation, at each meeting of stockholders, the presence in person or representation by proxy of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of each class of capital stock entitled to vote at the meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. For purposes of the foregoing, two or more classes or series of capital stock shall be considered a single class if the holders thereof are entitled to vote together as a single class at the meeting. In the absence of a quorum, the stockholders so present and represented may, by vote of the holders of a majority of the shares of capital stock of the Corporation so present and represented, adjourn the meeting from time to time until a quorum shall attend, and the provisions of <u>Section 2.4</u> of these by-laws shall apply to each such adjournment. Shares of its own capital stock belonging on the record date for the meeting to the Corporation or to another corporation, if a majority of the shares entitled to vote in the election of directors of such other corporation is held, directly or indirectly, by the Corporation, shall neither be entitled to vote nor be counted for quorum purposes; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not limit the right of the Corporation to vote stock, including but not limited to its own stock, held by it in a fiduciary capacity.

Section 2.6 <u>Organization</u>. Meetings of stockholders shall be presided over by the Chairman, if any, or in his or her absence by the Vice Chairman, if any, or in his or her absence by the President, or, in the absence of the foregoing persons, by a chairman designated by the Board of Directors, or, in the absence of such designation, by a chairman chosen at the meeting. The Secretary shall act as secretary of the meeting, but in his or her absence the chairman of the meeting may appoint any person to act as secretary of the meeting.

Section 2.7 <u>Voting; Proxies</u>. Unless otherwise provided by the certificate of incorporation, each stockholder entitled to vote at any meeting of stockholders shall be entitled to one vote for each share of capital stock held by him which has voting power on the subject matter submitted to a vote at the meeting. Each stockholder entitled to vote at a meeting of stockholders or to express consent or dissent to corporate action in writing without a meeting may authorize another person or persons to act for him or her by proxy, but no such proxy shall be voted or acted upon after three years from its date, unless the proxy provides for a longer period. A duly executed proxy shall be irrevocable if it states that it is irrevocable and if, and only as long as, it is coupled with an interest sufficient in law to support an irrevocable power. A stockholder may revoke any proxy which is not irrevocable by attending the meeting and voting in person or by filing an instrument in writing revoking the proxy or another duly executed proxy bearing a later date with the Secretary before the proxy is voted. Unless otherwise required by law, voting of stockholders for the election of directors need not be by written ballot. Voting of stockholders for all other matters need not be by written ballot unless so determined at a stockholders meeting by the vote of the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of each

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class of capital stock present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote on the subject matter submitted to a vote at the meeting. Unless otherwise provided by law or the certificate of incorporation, the vote of the holders of a majority of the shares of capital stock of the Corporation present in person or represented by proxy at a meeting at which a quorum is present and entitled to vote on the subject matter submitted to a vote at the meeting shall be the act of the stockholders.

Section 2.8 Fixing Date for Determination of Stockholders of Record. In order that the Corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof or to express consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, or entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights, or entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock or for the purpose of any other lawful action, the Board of Directors may fix, in advance, a record date which shall not be more than sixty days nor less than ten days before the date of such meeting, more than ten days after the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date with respect to the taking of corporate action by written consent without a meeting is adopted by the Board of Directors or more than sixty days prior to any other action. If no record date is fixed: (a) the record date for determining stockholders entitled to express consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, when no prior action by the Board of Directors is necessary, shall be the day on which the first written consent is expressed; (c) the record date for determining stockholders entitled to express consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, when no prior action by the Board of Directors is required, shall be at the close of business on the day on which the first written consent is expressed; (c) the record date for determining stockholders entitled to express consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, when prior action by the Board of Directors is required, shall be at the close of business on the day on which the first written consent is expressed; (c) the record date for determining stockholders entitled to express consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, when prior action by the Board of Directors is required, shall be at the close of business on the day on which the Eose of business on the

Section 2.9 <u>List of Stockholders Entitled to Vote</u>. The Secretary shall make, at least ten days before every meeting of stockholders, a complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at the meeting, arranged in alphabetical order, and showing the address of each stockholder and the number of shares registered in the name of each stockholder. Such list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, for a period of at least ten days prior to the meeting, either at a place within the city where the meeting is to be held, which place shall be specified in the notice of the meeting, or, if not so specified, at the place where the meeting is to be held. The list shall also be produced and kept at the time and place of the meeting during the whole time thereof and may be inspected by any stockholder who is present.

Section 2.10 <u>Consent of Stockholders in Lieu of Meeting</u>. Unless otherwise provided by the certificate of incorporation, any action required by law to be taken at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of the Corporation, or any action which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of such stockholders, may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and

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without a vote, if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by the holders of outstanding stock having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted. Prompt notice of the taking of the corporate action without a meeting by less than unanimous written consent shall be given to those stockholders who have not consented in writing.

### ARTICLE III

## **Board of Directors**

Section 3.1 <u>Powers; Number; Qualifications</u>. Unless otherwise provided by law or the certificate of incorporation, the business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors. Unless otherwise provided by the certificate of incorporation, the Board of Directors shall consist of such number of directors as the Board of Directors shall from time to time designate. Unless otherwise provided by the certificate of incorporation, directors need not be stockholders.

Section 3.2 Election; Term of Office; Resignation; Removal; Vacancies. Each director shall hold office until his successor is elected and qualified or until his earlier death, resignation or removal. Any director may resign at any time upon written notice to the Corporation directed to the Board of Directors or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein no acceptance of such resignation shall be necessary to make it effective. Any director or the entire Board of Directors may be removed, with or without cause, by the vote of the holders of a majority of shares of capital stock then entitled to vote at an election of directors. Whenever the holders of shares of any class or series of capital stock are entitled to elect one or more directors by the provisions of the certificate of incorporation, the provisions of the preceding sentence shall apply, with respect to the removal without cause of a director or directors so elected, to the vote of the holders of the outstanding shares of capital stock and not to the vote of the holders of the outstanding shares of capital stock as a whole. Unless otherwise provided by the certificate of incorporation or by these by-laws, vacancies and newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors or any other cause may be filled by the vote of a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum, or by the vote of the sole remaining director. Whenever the holders of shares of any class or classes or classes or series thereof are entitled to elect one or more directors by the provisions of the certificate of incorporation, vacancies and newly created directorships of such class or series thereof may be filled by the vote of a majority of the directorships of such class or classes or series thereof then in office, or by the vote of the sole remaining director. Whenever the holders of incorporation, vacancies and newly created directorships of su

Section 3.3 <u>Regular Meetings</u>. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at such dates, times and places either within or without the State of Delaware as the Board of Directors shall from time to time determine.

Section 3.4 <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the Chairman, if any, the Vice Chairman, if any, the President or by any member of the Board of Directors. Each special meeting shall be held at such date, time and

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place, either within or without the State of Delaware, as shall be fixed by the person or persons calling the meeting.

Section 3.5 <u>Notice of Meetings</u>. Written notice of each meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given which shall state the date, time and place of the meeting. The written notice of any meeting shall be given at least twenty-four hours in advance of the meeting to each director. Notice may be given by letter, telegram, telex or facsimile and shall be deemed to have been given when deposited in the United States mail, delivered to the telegraph company or transmitted by telex or facsimile, as the case may be.

Section 3.6 <u>Telephonic Meetings Permitted</u>. Members of the Board of Directors, or any committee designated by the Board of Directors, may participate in a meeting of the Board of Directors, or of such committee, by means of conference telephone or similar communication equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and participation in the meeting pursuant to this by-law shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

Section 3.7 <u>Quorum; Vote Required for Action</u>. Unless otherwise required by law, at each meeting of the Board of Directors, the presence of one-third of the total number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The vote of a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors, unless the vote of a greater number is required by law or the certificate of incorporation. In case at any meeting of the Board of Directors a quorum shall not be present, the members of the Board of Directors present may by majority vote adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum shall attend.

Section 3.8 <u>Organization</u>. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be presided over by the Chairman, if any, or in his absence by the Vice Chairman, if any, or in his absence by the President, or in their absence by a chairman chosen at the meeting. The Secretary shall act as secretary of the meeting, but in his absence the chairman of the meeting may appoint any person to act as secretary of the meeting.

Section 3.9 <u>Action in Lieu of a Meeting</u>. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors or of any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting, if the members of the Board of Directors or of such committee thereof, as the case may be, unanimously consent thereto in writing, and the writing or writings are filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board of Directors or of such committee thereof.

Section 3.10 <u>Compensation of Directors</u>. Unless otherwise provided by the certificate of incorporation, no director shall receive any compensation unless authorized by resolution of the stockholders.

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# ARTICLE IV

#### **Committees**

Section 4.1 <u>Committees</u>. The Board of Directors may, by resolution passed by a majority of the Board of Directors, designate one or more committees, each committee to consist of one or more of the directors of the Corporation. The Board of Directors may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any committee, who may replace any absent or disqualified member of such committee at any meeting thereof. In the absence or disqualification of a member of a committee, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not he or they constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the Board of Directors to act at the meeting in place of any such absent or disqualified member.

Section 4.2 <u>Power of Committees</u>. Any committee designated by the Board of Directors, to the extent provided in a resolution of the Board of Directors, shall have and may exercise all the powers and authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of the Corporation and may authorize the seal of the Corporation to be affixed to all papers which may require it; but no such committee shall have the power or authority to take any action which by law may only be taken by the Board of Directors or to take any action with reference to: amending the certificate of incorporation (except that a committee may, to the extent authorized in the resolution or resolutions providing for the issuance of shares of stock adopted by the Board of Directors, fix the designation and any of the preferences or rights of such shares relating to dividends, redemption, dissolution, any distribution of assets of the Corporation or the conversion into, or the exchange of such shares for, shares of any other class or classes or any other series of the same or any other class or classes of stock of the Corporation or fix the number of shares of any series of stock or authorize the increase or decrease of the shares of any series), adopting an agreement of merger or consolidation, recommending to the stockholders the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the Corporation's property and assets, recommending to the stockholders a dissolution of the Corporation or a revocation of dissolution, removing or indemnifying directors or amending these by-laws; and, unless a resolution of the Board of Directors expressly so provides, no such committee shall have the power or authority to declare a dividend, to authorize the issuance of stock or to adopt a certificate of ownership and merger pursuant to Section 253 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

Section 4.3 <u>Committee Rules</u>. Unless the Board of Directors otherwise provides, each committee designated by the Board of Directors may adopt, amend and repeal rules for the conduct of its business. In the absence of a resolution by the Board of Directors or a provision in the rules of such committee to the contrary, the presence of a majority of the total number of members of such committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the vote of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of such committee.

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# ARTICLE V

## **Officers**

Section 5.1 <u>Officers; Elections</u>. As soon as practicable after the annual meeting of stockholders in each year, the Board of Directors shall elect from its membership or outside thereof a President and a Secretary. The Board of Directors may also elect from its membership a Chairman of the Board of Directors (herein called "<u>Chairman</u>") and a Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors (herein called "<u>Vice Chairman</u>"), and from its membership or outside thereof a Chief Executive Officer, one or more Vice Presidents, one or more Assistant Vice Presidents, one or more Assistant Secretaries, a Treasurer and one or more Assistant Treasurers and such other officers or agents as it may determine. Unless otherwise provided by the certificate of incorporation, any number of offices may be held by the same person.

Section 5.2 <u>Term of Office; Resignation; Removal; Vacancies</u>. Except as otherwise provided by the Board of Directors when electing any officer, each officer shall hold office until the first meeting of the Board of Directors after the annual meeting of stockholders next succeeding his election, or until his successor is elected and qualified or until his earlier resignation or removal. Any officer may resign at any time upon written notice to the Corporation directed to the Board of Directors and the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein no acceptance of such resignation shall be necessary to make it effective. The Board of Directors may remove any officer or agent with or without cause at any time. Any such removal shall be without prejudice to the contractual rights of such officer or agent, if any, with the Corporation, but the election of an officer or agent shall not of itself create any contractual rights. Any vacancy occurring in any office of the Corporation by death, resignation, removal or otherwise may be filled for the unexpired portion of the term by the Board of Directors.

Section 5.3 <u>Powers and Duties</u>. The officers of the Corporation shall have such powers and duties in the management of the Corporation as shall be stated in these by-laws or in a resolution of the Board of Directors which is not inconsistent with these by-laws and, to the extent not so stated, as generally pertain to their respective offices, subject to the control of the Board of Directors.

Section 5.4 <u>Chairman of the Board</u>. The Chairman of the Board shall supervise and direct the Chief Executive Officer and the President, subject to the control of the Board of Directors. He shall preside at all meetings of the stockholders and of the Board of Directors. He may sign, with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the Corporation authorized by the Board of Directors, certificates for shares of the Corporation, and deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these by-laws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of Chairman of the Board and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

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Section 5.5 <u>Chief Executive Officer</u>. The Chief Executive Officer shall be the principal executive officer of the Corporation and, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, shall in general supervise the business and affairs of the Corporation. He shall, in the absence of the Chairman of the Board, preside at all meetings of the stockholders and of the Board of Directors. He may sign, with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the Corporation authorized by the Board of Directors, certificates for shares of the Corporation and deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these by-laws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of Chief Executive Officer and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Section 5.6 <u>President</u>. The President shall be the principal operating officer of the Corporation and, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, shall in general supervise the business operations of the Corporation. He shall, in the absence of the Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer, preside at all meetings of the stockholders and of the Board of Directors. He may sign, with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the Corporation authorized by the Board of Directors, certificates for shares of the Corporation and deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these by-laws to some other officer or agent of the Corporation, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and in general shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

Section 5.7 <u>Vice President</u>. In the absence of the Chief Executive Officer and the President or in the event of the failure or refusal to act of the Chief Executive Officer and the President, the Vice President (or in the event there be more than one Vice President, the Vice Presidents in the order designated, or in the absence of any designation, then in the order of their election) shall perform the duties of the Chief Executive Officer and the President, and when so acting shall have all the powers of, and be subject to all the restrictions upon, the Chief Executive Officer and the President. The Vice President or Vice Presidents, in general, shall perform such other duties as are incident to the office of Vice President, including those duties customarily performed by persons occupying such office, and shall perform such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him or her or them by the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer or the President. The Board of Directors may designate one or more Vice Presidents as Executive Vice Presidents or Senior Vice Presidents.

Section 5.8 <u>Secretary</u>. The Secretary shall: (a) keep the minutes of the proceedings of the stockholders and of the Board of Directors in one or more books provided for that purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the corporate records and of any seal of the Corporation and if there is a seal of the Corporation, see that it is affixed to all documents the execution of which on behalf of the Corporation under its seal is duly authorized; (d) when requested or required, authenticate any records of the Corporation; (e) keep a register of the post office address of each stockholder which shall be furnished to the secretary by such stockholder; (f) sign with the Chief

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Executive Officer, the President, a Vice-President or the Chairman of the Board, certificates for shares of the Corporation, the issuance of which shall have been authorized by resolution of the Board of Directors; (g) have general charge of the stock transfer books of the Corporation; and (h) in general perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as, from time to time, may be assigned to him or her by the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer or the President.

Section 5.9 <u>Treasurer</u>. The Treasurer shall: (a) have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the Corporation; (b) receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the Corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositaries as shall be selected by the Board of Directors; (c) in general, perform all of the duties incident to the office of treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Directors; and (d) sign with the Chief Executive Officer, the President, a Vice-President or the Chairman of the Board certificates for shares of the Corporation, the issuance of which shall have been authorized by resolution of the Board of Directors. If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine.

Section 5.10 <u>Other Officers; Security</u>. The other officers, if any, of the Corporation shall have such duties and powers as generally pertain to their respective offices and such other duties and powers as the Board of Directors shall from time to time delegate to each such officer. The Board of Directors may require any officer, agent or employee to give security, by bond or otherwise, for the faithful performance of his duties.

Section 5.11 <u>Compensation of Officers</u>. The compensation of each officer shall be fixed by the Board of Directors, and no officer shall be prevented from receiving such compensation by virtue of his also being a director.

### ARTICLE VI

### Stock

Section 6.1 <u>Certificates</u>. Every holder of one or more shares of capital stock of the Corporation shall be entitled to have a certificate signed by or in the name of the Corporation by the Chairman or Vice Chairman, if any, or the President or a Vice President, and by the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer, if any, or the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary, certifying the number of shares owned by him in the Corporation. Any or all of the signatures on the certificate may be a facsimile. In case any officer, transfer agent or registrar who has signed or whose facsimile signature has been placed upon a certificate shall have ceased to be such officer, transfer agent or registrar before such certificate is issued, it may be issued by the Corporation with the same effect as if he were such officer, transfer agent or registrar at the date of issue.

Section 6.2 Lost, Stolen or Destroyed Stock Certificates; Issuance of New Certificates. The Corporation may issue a new certificate of stock in the place of any certificate theretofore issued by it, alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed, and the Corporation may require the

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owner of the lost, stolen or destroyed certificate, or his legal representative, to give the Corporation a bond sufficient to indemnify it against any claim that may be made against it on account of the alleged loss, theft or destruction of any such certificate or the issuance of such new certificate.

## ARTICLE VII

## Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Section 7.1 Right to Indemnification. Each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is otherwise involved in any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (hereinafter a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he is or was a director or officer of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to an employee benefit plan (hereinafter an "indemnitee"), whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent or in any other capacity while serving as a director, officer, employee or agent, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Corporation to the fullest extent authorized by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment, only to the extent that such amendment permits the Corporation to provide broader indemnification rights than permitted prior thereto), against all expenses, liabilities and losses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement) incurred or suffered by such indemnitee in connection therewith and such indemnification shall continue as to an indemnitee who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the indemnitee's heirs, executors and administrators; provided, however, that, except as provided in Section 7.2 below with respect to proceedings to enforce rights to indemnification, the Corporation shall indemnify any such indemnitee in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such indemnitee only if such proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. The right to indemnification conferred in this ARTICLE VII shall be a contract right and shall include the right to be paid by the Corporation the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition (hereinafter an "advancement of expenses"); provided, however, that, if the Delaware General Corporation Law requires, an advancement of expenses incurred by an indemnitee in his capacity as a director or officer (and not in any other capacity in which service was or is rendered by such indemnitee) shall be made only upon delivery to the Corporation of an undertaking (hereinafter an "undertaking"), by or on behalf of such indemnitee, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined by final judicial decision from which there is no further right to appeal (hereinafter a "final adjudication") that such indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified for such expenses under this ARTICLE VII or otherwise.

Section 7.2 <u>Right of Indemnitee to Bring Suit</u>. If a claim under <u>Section 7.1</u> above is not paid in full by the Corporation within sixty days after a written claim has been received by the Corporation, except in the case of a claim for an advancement of expenses, in which case the applicable period shall be thirty days, the indemnitee may at any time thereafter bring suit against the Corporation to recover the unpaid amount of the claim. If successful in whole or in

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part in any such suit, or in a suit brought by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the indemnitee shall be entitled to be paid also the expense of prosecuting or defending such suit. In (a) any suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to indemnification hereunder (but not in a suit brought by the indemnitee to enforce a right to an advancement of expenses) it shall be a defense that, and (b) in any suit by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the Corporation shall be entitled to recover such expenses upon a final adjudication that, the indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. Neither the failure of the Corporation (including its Board of Directors, independent legal counsel or its stockholders) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of such suit that indemnification of the indemnitee is proper in the circumstances because the indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct, shall create a presumption that the indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall create a presumption that the indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct, shall create a presumption that the indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall create a presumption that the indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall create a presumption that the indemnitee to enforce a right to indemnification or to an advancement of expenses hereunder, or by the Corporation to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the burden of proving that the indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified, or to such advancement of expenses, under this ARTICLE VII or otherwise shall be on the Corporation.

Section 7.3 <u>Non-Exclusivity of Rights under this ARTICLE VII</u>. The rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses conferred in this ARTICLE VII shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the certificate of incorporation, by-laws, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

Section 7.4 <u>Insurance</u>. The Corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on its own behalf or on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any expense, liability or loss asserted against him in any such capacity, or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such expense, liability or loss under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

Section 7.5 <u>Indemnification of Employees and Agents</u>. The Corporation may, to the extent authorized at any time from time to time by the Board of Directors, grant rights to indemnification and the advancement of expenses to any employee or agent of the Corporation to the fullest extent of the provisions of this ARTICLE VII with respect to the indemnification and advancement of expenses of directors and officers of the Corporation.

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# ARTICLE VIII

#### **Miscellaneous**

## Section 8.1 Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 8.2 <u>Seal</u>. The Corporation may have, but it is not required to have, a corporate seal which shall have the name of the Corporation inscribed thereon and shall be in such form as may be approved from time to time by the Board of Directors.

Section 8.3 <u>Waiver of Notice of Meetings of Stockholders</u>, <u>Directors and Committees</u>. Whenever notice is required to be given by law, the certificate of incorporation or these by-laws, a written waiver thereof, signed by the person entitled to notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to notice. Attendance of a person at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except when the person attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting, at the beginning of the meeting, to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Unless otherwise provided by the certificate of incorporation, neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the stockholders, directors or members of a committee of directors need be specified in any written waiver of notice.

Section 8.4 Interested Directors; Officers; Quorum. No contract or transaction between the Corporation and one or more of its directors or officers, between the Corporation and any other corporation, partnership, association or other organization in which one or more of its directors or officers are directors or officers, or have a financial interest, or between the Corporation and any relative of any of its directors or officers, shall be void or voidable solely for this reason, or solely because the director or officer is present at or participates in the meeting of the Board of Directors or committee thereof which authorizes the contract or transaction, or solely because his or their votes are counted for such purpose, if: (a) the material facts as to his relationship or interest and as to the contract or transaction by the affirmative vote of a majority of the disinterested directors, even though the disinterested directors may be less than a quorum; (b) the material facts as to his relationship or interest and as to the contract or transaction is specifically approved in good faith by vote of the stockholders; or (c) the contract or transaction is fair as to the Corporation as of the time it is authorized, approved or ratified, by the Board of Directors, a committee thereof or the stockholders. Common or interested directors may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Board of Directors or of a committee which authorizes the contract or transaction.

Section 8.5 <u>Books and Records</u>. The books and records of the Corporation may be kept within or without the State of Delaware at such place or places as may be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors. Any records maintained by the Corporation in the regular course of its business, including its stock ledger, books of account and minute books, may be kept on, or be in the form of, punch cards, magnetic tape, photographs,

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microphotographs or any other information storage device provided that the records so kept can be converted into clearly legible form within a reasonable time. The Corporation shall so convert any records so kept upon the request of any person entitled to inspect the same.

Section 8.6 <u>Amendment of By-Laws</u>. These by-laws may be amended or repealed, and new by-laws adopted, by the Board of Directors, but the stockholders entitled to vote may adopt additional by-laws and may amend or repeal any by-laws whether or not adopted by them.

# **CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION**

## OF

# NASDI HOLDINGS CORPORATION

# A DELAWARE CORPORATION

FIRST: The name of the corporation is NASDI Holdings Corporation (the "Corporation").

SECOND: The address of the Corporation's registered office in the State of Delaware is Corporation Trust Center, 1209 Orange Street, in the City of Wilmington, County of New Castle. The name of its registered agent at such address is The Corporation Trust Company.

THIRD: The nature of the business or purposes to be conducted or promoted is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "General Corporation Law").

FOURTH: The total number of shares of stock which the Corporation has authority to issue is one thousand (1000) shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share.

FIFTH: The Corporation is to have perpetual existence.

SIXTH: In furtherance and not in limitation of the powers conferred by statute, the board of directors of the Corporation is expressly authorized to make, alter or repeal the By-Laws of the Corporation.

SEVENTH: Meetings of stockholders may be held within or without the State of Delaware, as by By-Laws of the Corporation may provide. The books of the Corporation may be kept outside the State of Delaware at such place or places as may be designated from time to time by the board of directors or in the By-Laws of the Corporation. Election of directors need not be by written ballot unless the By-Laws so provide.

EIGHTH: To the fullest extent permitted by the General Corporation Law as the same exists or may hereafter be amended, a director of the Corporation shall not be liable to the Corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director. Any repeal or modification of this ARTICLE EIGHTH shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director of the Corporation existing at the time of such repeal or modification.

NINTH: The Corporation expressly elects not to be governed by §203 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

TENTH: The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in this Certificate of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter

prescribed herein and by the laws of the State of Delaware, and all rights conferred upon stockholders herein are granted subject to this reservation.

ELEVENTH: The name and mailing address of the incorporator is Eric L. Jacobson, Winston & Strawn LLP, 35 W. Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60601.

I, the undersigned, being the sole incorporator hereinbefore named, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, do make this certificate, hereby declaring and certifying that this is my actual deed and that the facts stated herein are true, and accordingly have hereunto set my hand this 1st day of December, 2005.

> /s/ Eric L. Jacobson Eric L. Jacobson Incorporator

## **BY-LAWS**

#### OF

## NASDI HOLDINGS CORPORATION

# ARTICLE I OFFICES

<u>Section 1. Registered Office</u>. The registered office of the Corporation in the State of Delaware shall be located at 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Delaware, County of New Castle. The name of the Corporation's registered agent at such address shall be The Corporation Trust Company. The registered office and/or registered agent of the corporation may be changed from time to time by action of the board of directors.

<u>Section 2. Other Offices</u>. The corporation may also have offices at such other places, both within and without the State of Delaware, as the board of directors may from time to time determine or the business of the corporation may require.

# ARTICLE II MEETINGS OF STOCKHOLDERS

Section 1. Place and Time of Meetings. An annual meeting of the stockholders shall be held each year within one hundred twenty (120) days after the close of the immediately preceding fiscal year of the corporation for the purpose of electing directors and conducting such other proper business as may come before the meeting. The date, time and place of the annual meeting shall be determined by the president of the corporation; provided, that if the president does not act, the board of directors shall determine the date, time and place of such meeting.

<u>Section 2. Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of stockholders may be called for any purpose and may be held at such time and place, within or without the State of Delaware, as shall be stated in a notice of meeting or in a duly executed waiver of notice thereof. Such meetings may be called at any time by the board of directors or the president and shall be called by the president upon the written request of holders of shares entitled to cast not less than a majority of the votes at the meeting, such written request shall state the purpose or purposes of the meeting and shall be delivered to the president.

<u>Section 3. Place of Meetings</u>. The board of directors may designate any place, either within or without the State of Delaware, as the place of meeting for any annual meeting or for any special meeting called by the board of directors. If no designation is made, or if a special meeting be otherwise called, the place of meeting shall be the principal executive office of the corporation.

Section 4. Notice. Whenever stockholders are required or permitted to take action at a meeting, written or printed notice stating the place, date, time, and, in the case of special meetings, the purpose or purposes, of such meeting, shall be given to each stockholder entitled to vote at such meeting not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting. All such notices shall be delivered, either personally or by mail, by or at the direction

of the board of directors, the president or the secretary, and if mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the stockholder at his, her or its address as the same appears on the records of the corporation. Attendance of a person at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except when the person attends for the express purpose of objecting at the beginning of the meeting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

<u>Section 5. Stockholders List</u>. The officer having charge of the stock ledger of the corporation shall make, at least ten (10) days before every meeting of the stockholders, a complete list of the stockholders entitled to vote at such meeting arranged in alphabetical order, showing the address of each stockholder and the number of shares registered in the name of each stockholder. Such list shall be open to the examination of any stockholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, for a period of at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting, either at a place within the city where the meeting is to be held, which place shall be specified in the notice of the meeting or, if not so specified, at the place where the meeting is to be held. The list shall also be produced and kept at the time and place of the meeting during the whole time thereof, and may be inspected by any stockholder who is present.

Section 6. Quorum. The holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of capital stock, present in person or represented by proxy, shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the stockholders, except as otherwise provided by statute or by the certificate of incorporation. If a quorum is not present, the holders of a majority of the shares present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting, and entitled to vote at the meeting, may adjourn the meeting to another time and/or place.

<u>Section 7. Adjourned Meetings</u>. When a meeting is adjourned to another time and place, notice need not be given of the adjourned meeting if the time and place thereof are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken. At the adjourned meeting the corporation may transact any business which might have been transacted at the original meeting. If the adjournment is for more than thirty (30) days, or if after the adjournment a new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting, a notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given to each stockholder of record entitled to vote at the meeting.

<u>Section 8. Vote Required</u>. When a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of the majority of shares present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote on the subject matter shall be the act of the stockholders, unless the question is one upon which by express provisions of an applicable law or of the certificate of incorporation a different vote is required, in which case such express provision shall govern and control the decision of such question.

Section 9. Voting Rights. Except as otherwise provided by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware or by the certificate of incorporation of the corporation or any amendments thereto and subject to Section 3 of Article VI hereof, every stockholder shall at every meeting of the stockholders be entitled to one (1) vote in person or by proxy for each share of common stock held by such stockholder.

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Section 10. Proxies. Each stockholder entitled to vote at a meeting of stockholders or to express consent or dissent to corporate action in writing without a meeting may authorize another person or persons to act for him or her by proxy, but no such proxy shall be voted or acted upon after three (3) years from its date, unless the proxy provides for a longer period. A duly executed proxy shall be irrevocable if it states that it is irrevocable and if, and only as long as, it is coupled with an interest sufficient in law to support an irrevocable power. A proxy may be made irrevocable regardless of whether the interest with which it is coupled is an interest in the stock itself or an interest in the corporation generally. Any proxy is suspended when the person executing the proxy is present at a meeting of stockholders and elects to vote, except that when such proxy is coupled with an interest and the fact of the interest appears on the face of the proxy, the agent named in the proxy shall have all voting and other rights referred to in the proxy, notwithstanding the presence of the person executing the proxy. At each meeting of the stockholders, and before any voting commences, all proxies filed at or before the meeting shall be submitted to and examined by the secretary or a person designated by the secretary, and no shares may be represented or voted under a proxy that has been found to be invalid or irregular.

Section 11. Action by Written Consent. Unless otherwise provided in the certificate of incorporation, any action required to be taken at any annual or special meeting of stockholders of the corporation, or any action which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of such stockholders, may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, if a consent or consents in writing, setting forth the action so taken and bearing the dates of signature of the stockholders who signed the consent or consents, shall be signed by the holders of outstanding stock having not less than the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting at which all shares entitled to vote thereon were present and voted and shall be delivered to the corporation by delivery to its registered office in the State of Delaware, or the corporation's principal place of business, or an officer or agent of the corporation having custody of the book or books in which proceedings of meetings of the stockholders are recorded. Delivery made to the corporation's registered office shall be deemed delivered until such consent or consents are actually received at the registered office. All consents properly delivered by certified or registered mail shall be deemed to be recorded when so delivered. No written consent shall be effective to take the corporate action referred to therein unless, within sixty (60) days of the earliest dated consent delivered to the corporation as required by this section, written consents signed by the holders of a sufficient number of shares to take such corporate action are so recorded. Prompt notice of the taking of the corporate action without a meeting by less than unanimous written consent shall be given to those stockholders who have not consented in writing. Any action taken pursuant to such written consent or consents of the stockholders shall have the same force and effect as if taken by the stockholders at a meeting thereof.

## ARTICLE III DIRECTORS

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Section 1. General Powers. The business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the board of directors.

Section 2. Number, Election and Term of Office. The number of directors which shall constitute the board shall be set at three (3). Thereafter, the number of directors shall be established from time to time by resolution of the board. The directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes of the shares present in person or represented by proxy at the meeting and entitled to vote in the election of directors. The directors shall be elected in this manner at the annual meeting of the stockholders, except as provided in Section 4 of this Article III. Each director elected shall hold office until a successor is duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation or removal as hereinafter provided.

Section 3. Removal and Resignation. Any director or the entire board of directors may be removed at any time, with or without cause, by the holders of a majority of the shares then entitled to vote at an election of directors. Whenever the holders of any class or series are entitled to elect one or more directors by the provisions of the corporation's certificate of incorporation, the provisions of this section shall apply, in respect to the removal without cause of a director or directors so elected, to the vote of the holders of the outstanding shares of that class or series and not to the vote of the outstanding shares as a whole. Any director may resign at any time upon written notice to the corporation.

<u>Section 4. Vacancies</u>. Vacancies and newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors may be filled by a majority of the directors then in office, though less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director. Each director so chosen shall hold office until a successor is duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation or removal as herein provided.

Section 5. Annual Meetings. The annual meeting of each newly elected board of directors shall be held without other notice than this by-law immediately after, and at the same place as, the annual meeting of stockholders.

Section 6. Other Meetings and Notice. Regular meetings, other than the annual meeting, of the board of directors may be held without notice at such time and at such place as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the board. Special meetings of the board of directors may be called by or at the request of the president on at least twenty-four (24) hours notice to each director, either personally, by telephone, by mail, or by telegraph.

Section 7. Quorum, Required Vote and Adjournment. A majority of the total number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The vote of a majority of directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the board of directors. If a quorum shall not be present at any meeting of the board of directors, the directors present thereat may adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum shall be present.

<u>Section 8. Committees</u>. The board of directors may, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole board, designate one or more committees, each committee to consist of one or more of the directors of the corporation, which to the extent provided in such resolution or these by-laws shall have and may exercise the powers of the board of directors in the management and affairs of the corporation except as otherwise limited by law. The board of directors may designate one or more directors as alternate members of any committee, who may

replace any absent or disqualified member at any meeting of the committee. Such committee or committees shall have such name or names as may be determined from time to time by resolution adopted by the board of directors. Each committee shall keep regular minutes of its meetings and report the same to the board of directors when required.

Section 9. Committee Rules. Each committee of the board of directors may fix its own rules of procedure and shall hold its meetings as provided by such rules, except as may otherwise be provided by a resolution of the board of directors designating such committee. Unless otherwise provided in such a resolution, the presence of at least a majority of the members of the committee shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. In the event that a member and that member's alternate, if alternates are designated by the board of directors as provided in Section 8 of this Article III, of such committee is or are absent or disqualified, the member or members thereof present at any meeting and not disqualified from voting, whether or not such member or members constitute a quorum, may unanimously appoint another member of the board of directors to act at the meeting in place of any such absent or disqualified member.

<u>Section 10. Communications Equipment</u>. Members of the board of directors or any committee thereof may participate in and act at any meeting of such board or committee through the use of a conference telephone or other communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and participation in the meeting pursuant to this section shall constitute presence in person at the meeting.

Section 11. Waiver of Notice and Presumption of Assent. Any member of the board of directors or any committee thereof who is present at a meeting shall be conclusively presumed to have waived notice of such meeting except when such member attends for the express purpose of objecting at the beginning of the meeting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Such member shall be conclusively presumed to have assented to any action taken unless his or her dissent shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting or unless his or her written dissent to such action shall be filed with the person acting as the secretary of the meeting before the adjournment thereof or shall be forwarded by registered mail to the secretary of the corporation immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right to dissent shall not apply to any member who voted in favor of such action.

Section 12. Action by Written Consent. Unless otherwise restricted by the certificate of incorporation, any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the board of directors, or of any committee thereof, may be taken without a meeting if all members of the board or committee, as the case may be, consent thereto in writing, and the writing or writings are filed with the minutes of proceedings of the board or committee.

#### ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. Number. The officers of the corporation shall be elected by the board of directors and shall consist of a president, a chief executive officer, a chief operating officer, a chief financial officer, one or more vice-presidents (the number thereof to be determined by the board of directors), a secretary, a treasurer, and such other officers and assistant officers as may be deemed necessary or desirable by the board of directors. Any number of offices may be held

by the same person, unless otherwise prohibited by law, the certificate of incorporation or these by-laws. In its discretion, the board of directors may choose not to fill any office for any period as it may deem advisable, except that the offices of president and secretary shall be filled as expeditiously as possible.

Section 2. Election and Term of Office. The officers of the corporation shall be elected annually by the board of directors at its first meeting held after each annual meeting of stockholders or as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. The president shall be elected annually by the board of directors at the first meeting of the board of directors held after each annual meeting of stockholders or as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. The president shall be elected annually by the board of directors at the first meeting of the board of directors held after each annual meeting of stockholders or as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. The president shall appoint other officers to serve for such terms as he or she deems desirable. Vacancies may be filled or new offices created and filled at any meeting of the board of directors. Each officer shall hold office until a successor is duly elected and qualified or until his or her earlier death, resignation or removal as hereinafter provided.

<u>Section 3. Removal</u>. Any officer or agent elected by the board of directors may be removed by the board of directors whenever in its judgment the best interests of the corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed.

Section 4. Vacancies. Any vacancy occurring in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the board of directors for the unexpired portion of the term by the board of directors then in office.

Section 5. Compensation. Compensation of all officers shall be fixed by the board of directors, and no officer shall be prevented from receiving such compensation by virtue of his or her also being a director of the corporation.

Section 6. President. The president shall preside at all meetings of the stockholders and board of directors at which he or she is present; subject to the powers of the board of directors, shall have general charge of the business, affairs and property of the corporation, and control over its officers, agents and employees; and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the board of directors are carried into effect. The president shall execute bonds, mortgages and other contracts, except where required or permitted by law to be otherwise signed and executed and except where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the board of directors to some other officer or agent of the corporation. The president shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the board of directors or as may be provided in these by-laws.

Section 7. Chief Executive Officer. The chief executive officer shall be the principal executive officer of the corporation; shall, in the absence of the president, preside at all meetings of the board of directors at which he or she is present; subject to the powers of the board of directors and the president, shall have general charge of the business, affairs and property of the corporation, and control over its officers, agents and employees; and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the board of directors are carried into effect. The chief executive officer shall execute bonds, mortgages and other contracts, except where required or permitted by law to be otherwise signed and executed and except where the signing and execution thereof shall be

expressly delegated by the board of directors to some other officer or agent of the corporation. The chief executive officer shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the board of directors, the president or as may be provided in these by-laws. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein and unless otherwise required by law or determined by the board of directors, the positions of president and chief executive officer shall be held by the same individual.

<u>Section 8. Chief Operating Officer</u>. The chief operating officer of the corporation, subject to the powers of the board of directors, shall have general and active management of the business of the corporation under the direction of the president and the chief executive officer; and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the board of directors are carried into effect. The chief operating officer shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the president or the board of directors or as may be provided in these by-laws.

<u>Section 9. Chief Financial Officer</u>. The chief financial officer of the corporation shall, under the direction of the board of directors and the president, be responsible for all financial and accounting matters and for the direction of the offices of treasurer and controller. The chief financial officer shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the president or the board of directors or as may be provided in these by-laws.

<u>Section 10. Vice-Presidents</u>. Any vice-president in the order determined by the board of directors or by the president shall, in the absence or disability of the president, act with all of the powers and be subject to all the restrictions of the president. The vice-presidents shall also perform such other duties and have such other powers as the board of directors, the president or these by-laws may, from time to time, prescribe.

Section 11. Secretary and Assistant Secretaries. The secretary shall attend all meetings of the board of directors, all meetings of the committees thereof and all meetings of the stockholders and record all the proceedings of the meetings in a book or books to be kept for that purpose. Under the president's supervision, the secretary shall give, or cause to be given, all notices required to be given by these by-laws or by law; shall have such powers and perform such duties as the board of directors, the president or these by-laws may, from time to time, prescribe; and shall have custody of the corporate seal of the corporation. The secretary, or an assistant secretary, shall have authority to affix the corporate seal to any instrument requiring it and when so affixed, it may be attested by his or her signature or by the signature of such assistant secretary. The board of directors may give general authority to any other officer to affix the seal of the corporation and to attest the affixing by his or her signature. The assistant secretary, or if there be more than one, the assistant secretary and shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the board of directors, the president, or secretary may, from time to time, prescribe.

Section 12. Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. The treasurer shall, subject to the authority of the chief financial officer, have the custody of the corporate funds and securities; shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the corporation; shall deposit all monies and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the corporation as may be ordered by the board of directors; shall cause the funds of the

corporation to be disbursed when such disbursements have been duly authorized, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements; and shall render to the president and the board of directors, at its regular meeting or when the board of directors so requires, an account of the corporation; shall have such powers and perform such duties as the board of directors, the president, the chief financial officer or these by-laws may, from time to time, prescribe. The assistant treasurer, or if there shall be more than one, the assistant treasurers in the order determined by the board of directors, shall in the absence or disability of the treasurer, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the treasurer. The assistant treasurers shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the board of directors, the president, the chief financial officer or treasurer may, from time to time, prescribe.

<u>Section 13. Other Officers, Assistant Officers and Agents</u>. Officers, assistant officers and agents, if any, other than those whose duties are provided for in these by-laws, shall have such authority and perform such duties as may from time to time be prescribed by resolution of the board of directors.

Section 14. Security. The board of directors may require any officer, agent or employee to give security, by bond or otherwise, for the faithful performance of his or her duties.

Section 15. Absence or Disability of Officers. In the case of the absence or disability of any officer of the corporation and of any person hereby authorized to act in such officer's place during such officer's absence or disability, the board of directors may by resolution delegate the powers and duties of such officer to any other officer or to any director, or to any other person whom it may select.

#### ARTICLE V INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND OTHERS

Section 1. Nature of Indemnity. Each person who was or is made a party or is threatened to be made a party to or is involved in any action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (hereinafter a "proceeding"), by reason of the fact that he, or a person of whom he is the legal representative, is or was a director or officer, of the corporation or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary, or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the corporation to the fullest extent which it is empowered to do so unless prohibited from doing so by the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, as the same exists or may hereafter be amended (but, in the case of any such amendment, only to the extent that such amendment permits the corporation to provide broader indemnification rights than said law permitted the corporation to provide prior to such amendment) against all expense, liability and loss (including attorneys' fees actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such proceeding) and such indemnification shall inure to the benefit of his heirs, executors and administrators; provided, however, that, except as provided in Section 2 of this Article V, the corporation shall indemnify any such person seeking indemnification in connection with a proceeding initiated by such person only if such proceeding was authorized by the board of directors of the corporation. The right to indemnification conferred in this Article V shall be a contract right and, subject to Sections 2 and 5 of this Article V, shall include the right to be paid by the corporation the

expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition. The corporation may, by action of its board of directors, provide indemnification to employees and agents of the corporation with the same scope and effect as the foregoing indemnification of directors and officers.

Section 2. Procedure for Indemnification of Directors and Officers. Any indemnification of a director or officer of the corporation under Section 1 of this Article V or advance of expenses under Section 5 of this Article V shall be made promptly, and in any event within thirty (30) days, upon the written request of the director or officer; provided, however, that no payment of any indemnification claim shall be made prior to the approval of such payment by the board of directors. If a determination by the corporation that the director or officer is entitled to indemnification pursuant to this Article V is required, and the corporation fails to respond within sixty (60) days to a written request for indemnity, the corporation shall be deemed to have approved the request. If the corporation denies a written request for indemnification or advancing of expenses, in whole or in part, or if payment in full pursuant to such request is not made within thirty (30) days, the right to indemnification or advances as granted by this Article V shall be enforceable by the director or officer in any court of competent jurisdiction. Such person's costs and expenses incurred in connection with successfully establishing his right to indemnification, in whole or in part, in any such action shall also be indemnified by the corporation. It shall be a defense to any such action (other than an action brought to enforce a claim for expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition where the required undertaking, if any, has been tendered to the corporation) that the claimant has not met the standards of conduct which make it permissible under the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware for the corporation to indemnify the claimant for the amount claimed, but the burden of such defense shall be on the corporation. Neither the failure of the corporation (including its board of directors, independent legal counsel, or its stockholders) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of such action that indemnification of the claimant is proper in the circumstances because he has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, nor an actual determination by the corporation (including its board of directors, independent legal counsel, or its stockholders) that the claimant has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that the claimant has not met the applicable standard of conduct.

<u>Section 3. Article Not Exclusive</u>. The rights to indemnification and the payment of expenses incurred in defending a proceeding in advance of its final disposition conferred in this Article V shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the certificate of incorporation, by-law, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

Section 4. Insurance. The corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on its own behalf and on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee, fiduciary, or agent of the corporation or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against him or her and incurred by him or her in any such capacity, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability under this Article V.

Section 5. Expenses. Unless otherwise determined by the board of directors in a specific case, expenses incurred by any person described in Section 1 of this Article V in defending a proceeding shall be paid by the corporation in advance of such proceeding's final disposition upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the director or officer to repay such amount if it shall ultimately be determined that he or she is not entitled to be indemnified by the corporation. Such expenses incurred by other employees and agents may be so paid upon such terms and conditions, if any, as the board of directors deems appropriate.

<u>Section 6. Employees and Agents</u>. Persons who are not covered by the foregoing provisions of this Article V and who are or were employees or agents of the corporation, or who are or were serving at the request of the corporation as employees or agents of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, may be indemnified to the extent authorized at any time or from time to time by the board of directors.

Section 7. Contract Rights. The provisions of this Article V shall be deemed to be a contract right between the corporation and each director or officer who serves in any such capacity at any time while this Article V and the relevant provisions of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware or other applicable law are in effect, and any repeal or modification of this Article V or any such law shall not affect any rights or obligations then existing with respect to any state of facts or proceeding then existing.

Section 8. Merger or Consolidation. For purposes of this Article V, references to "the corporation" shall include, in addition to the resulting corporation, any constituent corporation (including any constituent of a constituent) absorbed in a consolidation or merger which, if its separate existence had continued, would have had power and authority to indemnify its directors, officers, and employees or agents, so that any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of such constituent corporation, or is or was serving at the request of such constituent corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, shall stand in the same position under this Article V with respect to the resulting or surviving corporation as he or she would have with respect to such constituent corporation if its separate existence had continued.

#### ARTICLE VI CERTIFICATES OF STOCK

Section 1. Form. Every holder of stock in the corporation shall be entitled to have a certificate, signed by, or in the name of the corporation by the president or a vice-president and by the treasurer or an assistant treasurer, or the secretary or an assistant secretary of the corporation, certifying the number of shares of a specific class or series owned by such holder in the corporation. If such a certificate is countersigned (1) by a transfer agent or an assistant treasurer, assistant treasurer, secretary, or assistant secretary may be facsimiles. In case any officer or officers who have signed, or whose facsimile signature or signatures have been used on, any such certificate or certificates shall cease to be such officer or officers of the corporation whether because of death, resignation or otherwise before such certificate or certificates have been delivered by the corporation, such certificates may nevertheless be issued and

delivered as though the person or persons who signed such certificate or certificates or whose facsimile signature or signatures have been used thereon had not ceased to be such officer or officers of the corporation. All certificates for shares shall be consecutively numbered or otherwise identified. The name of the person to whom the shares represented thereby are issued, with the number of shares and date of issue, shall be entered on the books of the corporation. Shares of stock of the corporation shall only be transferred on the books of the corporation by the holder of record thereof or by such holder's attorney duly authorized in writing, upon surrender to the corporation of the certificates for such shares endorsed by the appropriate person or persons, with such evidence of the authenticity of such endorsement, transfer, authorization, and other matters as the corporation may reasonably require, and accompanied by all necessary stock transfer stamps. In that event, it shall be the duty of the corporation to issue a new certificate to the person entitled thereto, cancel the old certificate or certificates, and record the transaction on its books. The board of directors may appoint a bank or trust company organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof to act as its transfer agent or registrar, or both in connection with the transfer of any class or series of securities of the corporation.

Section 2. Lost Certificates. The board of directors may direct a new certificate or certificates to be issued in place of any certificate or certificates previously issued by the corporation alleged to have been lost, stolen, or destroyed, upon the making of an affidavit of that fact by the person claiming the certificate of stock to be lost, stolen, or destroyed. When authorizing such issue of a new certificate or certificates, the board of directors may, in its discretion and as a condition precedent to the issuance thereof, require the owner of such lost, stolen, or destroyed certificate or certificates, or his or her legal representative, to give the corporation a bond sufficient to indemnify the corporation against any claim that may be made against the corporation on account of the loss, theft or destruction of any such certificate or the issuance of such new certificate.

Section 3. Fixing a Record Date for Stockholder Meetings. In order that the corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of stockholders or any adjournment thereof, the board of directors may fix a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the board of directors, and which record date shall not be more than sixty (60) nor less than ten (10) days before the date of such meeting. If no record date is fixed by the board of directors, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall be the close of business on the next day preceding the day on which notice is given, or if notice is waived, at the close of business on the day next preceding the day on which the meeting is held. A determination of stockholders of record entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of stockholders shall apply to any adjournment of the meeting; provided, however, that the board of directors may fix a new record date for the adjourned meeting.

Section 4. Fixing a Record Date for Action by Written Consent. In order that the corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, the board of directors may fix a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the board of directors, and which date shall not be more than ten (10) days after the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted by the board of directors. If no record date has been

fixed by the board of directors, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, when no prior action by the board of directors is required by statute, shall be the first date on which a signed written consent setting forth the action taken or proposed to be taken is delivered to the corporation by delivery to its registered office in the State of Delaware, its principal place of business, or an officer or agent of the corporation having custody of the book in which proceedings of meetings of stockholders are recorded. Delivery made to the corporation's registered office shall be by hand or by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested. If no record date has been fixed by the board of directors and prior action by the board of directors is required by statute, the record date for determining stockholders entitled to consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting shall be at the close of business on the day on which the board of directors adopts the resolution taking such prior action.

Section 5. Fixing a Record Date for Other Purposes. In order that the corporation may determine the stockholders entitled to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment or any rights or the stockholders entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of stock, or for the purposes of any other lawful action, the board of directors may fix a record date, which record date shall not precede the date upon which the resolution fixing the record date is adopted, and which record date shall be not more than sixty (60) days prior to such action. If no record date is fixed, the record date for determining stockholders for any such purpose shall be at the close of business on the day on which the board of directors adopts the resolution relating thereto.

Section 6. Registered Stockholders. Prior to the surrender to the corporation of the certificate or certificates for a share or shares of stock with a request to record the transfer of such share or shares, the corporation may treat the registered owner as the person entitled to receive dividends, to vote, to receive notifications, and otherwise to exercise all the rights and powers of an owner. The corporation shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to or interest in such share or shares on the part of any other person, whether or not it shall have express or other notice thereof.

<u>Section 7. Subscriptions for Stock</u>. Unless otherwise provided for in the subscription agreement, subscriptions for shares shall be paid in full at such time, or in such installments and at such times, as shall be determined by the board of directors. Any call made by the board of directors for payment on subscriptions shall be uniform as to all shares of the same class or as to all shares of the same series. In case of default in the payment of any installment or call when such payment is due, the corporation may proceed to collect the amount due in the same manner as any debt due the corporation.

#### ARTICLE VII GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Dividends. Dividends upon the capital stock of the corporation, subject to the provisions of the certificate of incorporation, if any, may be declared by the board of directors at any regular or special meeting, pursuant to law. Dividends may be paid in cash, in property, or in shares of the capital stock, subject to the provisions of the certificate of incorporation. Before payment of any dividend, there may be set aside out of any funds of the

corporation available for dividends such sum or sums as the directors from time to time, in their absolute discretion, think proper as a reserve or reserves to meet contingencies, or for equalizing dividends, or for repairing or maintaining any property of the corporation, or any other purpose and the directors may modify or abolish any such reserve in the manner in which it was created.

Section 2. Checks, Drafts or Orders. All checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money by or to the corporation and all notes and other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the corporation, and in such manner, as shall be determined by resolution of the board of directors or a duly authorized committee thereof.

Section 3. Contracts. The board of directors may authorize any officer or officers, or any agent or agents, of the corporation to enter into any contract or to execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

Section 4. Loans. The corporation may lend money to, or guarantee any obligation of, or otherwise assist any officer or other employee of the corporation or of its subsidiary, including any officer or employee who is a director of the corporation or its subsidiary, whenever, in the judgment of the directors, such loan, guaranty or assistance may reasonably be expected to benefit the corporation. The loan, guaranty or other assistance may be with or without interest, and may be unsecured, or secured in such manner as the board of directors shall approve, including, without limitation, a pledge of shares of stock of the corporation. Nothing in this section contained shall be deemed to deny, limit or restrict the powers of guaranty or warranty of the corporation at common law or under any statute.

Section 5. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the corporation shall be fixed by resolution of the board of directors.

Section 6. Corporate Seal. The board of directors shall provide a corporate seal which shall be in the form of a circle and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the corporation and the words "Corporate Seal, Delaware". The seal may be used by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be impressed or affixed or reproduced or otherwise.

<u>Section 7. Voting Securities Owned By Corporation</u>. Voting securities in any other corporation held by the corporation shall be voted by the president, unless the board of directors specifically confers authority to vote with respect thereto, which authority may be general or confined to specific instances, upon some other person or officer. Any person authorized to vote securities shall have the power to appoint proxies, with general power of substitution.

Section 8. Inspection of Books and Records. Any stockholder of record, in person or by attorney or other agent, shall, upon written demand under oath stating the purpose thereof, have the right during the usual hours for business to inspect for any proper purpose the corporation's stock ledger, a list of its stockholders, and its other books and records, and to make copies or extracts therefrom. A proper purpose shall mean any purpose reasonably related to such person's interest as a stockholder. In every instance where an attorney or other agent shall be the person who seeks the right to inspection, the demand under oath shall be accompanied by

a power of attorney or such other writing which authorizes the attorney or other agent to so act on behalf of the stockholder. The demand under oath shall be directed to the corporation at its registered office in the State of Delaware or at its principal place of business.

Section 9. Section Headings. Section headings in these by-laws are for convenience of reference only and shall not be given any substantive effect in limiting or otherwise construing any provision herein.

<u>Section 10. Inconsistent Provisions</u>. In the event that any provision of these by-laws is or becomes inconsistent with any provision of the certificate of incorporation, the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware or any other applicable law, the provision of these by-laws shall not be given any effect to the extent of such inconsistency but shall otherwise be given full force and effect.

#### ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be amended, altered, or repealed and new by-laws adopted at any meeting of the board of directors by a majority vote. The fact that the power to adopt, amend, alter, or repeal the by-laws has been conferred upon the board of directors shall not divest the stockholders of the same powers.

## CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to the provisions of the Business Corporations Act of the State of New Jersey, certifies as follows:

FIRST: The name of the Corporation shall be Fifty-Three Dredging Corporation.

SECOND: The registered office of the Corporation in the State of New Jersey is to be located at 28 West State Street, Room 903, Trenton, New Jersey 08608. The name of its registered agent therein is CT Corporation System.

THIRD: The nature of the business and of the purposes to be conducted and promoted by the Corporation are:

To engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the provisions of the Business Corporations Act of the State of New Jersey.

<u>FORTH</u>: The aggregate number of shares of stock which the Corporation is authorized to issue is One Hundred (100) shares of common stock without par value.

FIFTH: The name and mailing address of the incorporator of the Corporation is Douglas B. Mackie, Great Lakes International, Inc., 2122 York Road, Oak Brook, Illinois 60521.

SIXTH: The power of the incorporator shall terminate upon filing of this Certificate of Incorporation. The names and mailing addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors of the Corporation until the first annual meeting of stockholders or until their successors are elected and qualify are as follows:

Name	Address	
W. L. Colnon	Great Lakes International, Inc. 2122 York Road, Oak Brook, Illinois 60521	
R. W. Muller	Great Lakes International, Inc. 2122 York Road, Oak Brook, Illinois 60521	
K. W. Muller	Great Lakes International, Inc. 2122 Tork Road, Oak Drock, Innois 00321	
P. R. Dickinson	Great Lakes International, Inc. 2122 York Road, Oak Brook, Illinois 60521	

<u>SEVENTH</u>: The Corporation shall have the power to the full extent permitted by the provisions of the Business Corporations Act of the State of New Jersey, as amended from time to time, to indemnify all persons whom it may indemnify pursuant thereto.

The undersigned being the incorporator hereinbefore named, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to the provisions of the Business Corporations Act of the State of New Jersey, makes this certificate, hereby declaring and certifying that the facts herein stated are true, and accordingly has hereunto set his hand this 15th day of April, 1982.

> /s/ Douglas B. Mackie DOUGLAS B. MACKIE

STATE OF ILLINOIS	)
	) ss
COUNTY OF COOK	)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this April 15th A.D., 1982, personally came before me, SANDRA L. CADORE, a Notary Public in and for the County of Cook, State of Illinois, DOUGLAS B. MACKIE, the party to the foregoing Certificate of Incorporation, known to me personally to be such, and severally acknowledged the said certificate to be their acts and deeds and that the facts therein stated are truly set forth.

Given under my hand and seal of office the day and year aforesaid.

/s/ Sandra L. Cadore Notary Public

My Commission Expires November 9, 1984 My Commission Expires

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# CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT TO THE

# CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF

#### FIFTY-THREE DREDGING CORPORATION

To: The Secretary of State State of New Jersey

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 14A:9-2(4) and Section 14A:9-4(3), Corporations, General, of the New Jersey Statutes, the undersigned corporation executes the following Certificate of Amendment to its Certificate of Incorporation:

1. The name of the corporation is Fifty-Three Dredging Corporation.

2. The following amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation was approved by the directors and thereafter duly adopted by the shareholders of the corporation on the 9th day of October, 1991:

Resolved, that Article Fourth of the Certificate of Incorporation be amended to read as follows:

"FOURTH: The aggregate number of shares which the Corporation is authorized to issue is Two Hundred (200) shares of common stock with no par value per share."

3. The number of shares entitled to vote upon the amendment was 100.

4. That in lieu of a meeting and vote of the shareholders and in accordance with the provisions of Section 14A:5-6, the amendment was adopted by the shareholders without a meeting pursuant to the written consents of the shareholders and the number of shares represented by such consents is 100 shares.

Dated this 9th day of October, 1991.

#### FIFTY-THREE DREDGING CORPORATION

By /s/ DeWitt D. Barlow

DeWitt D. Barlow, III President

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## BYLAWS OF THE FIFTY-THREE DREDGING CORPORATION

#### ARTICLE I.

# MEETINGS OF SHAREHOLDERS

Section 1. <u>ANNUAL MEETING</u>. An annual meeting of shareholders shall be held beginning in 1983 on the first Tuesday of April in each year for the election of directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting. The meeting shall be held at such time and place as shall be stated in the notice of the meeting or in a duly executed waiver of notice. If the time and place for any meeting are not stated in the notice, then the meeting shall be held at 1:00 p.m. at the Company's office in Oak Brook, Illinois.

Section 2. <u>SPECIAL MEETINGS</u>. Special meetings of the shareholders may be called by the Board of Directors or the President of the Company to be held at such time and place as it or he shall determine or as shall be stated in the notice of the meeting or a duly executed waiver of notice.

Section 3. <u>NOTICE OF MEETINGS</u>. Unless otherwise required by law, written or printed notice stating the place, day and hour of the meeting and the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, shall be delivered not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before the date of any meeting of shareholders, either personally or by mail, to each shareholder of record entitled to vote at the meeting. If mailed, notice is given when deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, in a sealed envelope addressed to the shareholder at his address as it appears on the records of the Company. At any meeting of shareholders, action may be taken upon any subject which is either stated in the notice of the meeting or is not stated in the notice of the meeting and is not by law required to be stated in the notice of the meeting.

Whenever any notice is required to be given to any shareholder, a written waiver of notice signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated in the waiver, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice; and attendance of a shareholder at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of the meeting unless such attendance is for the sole purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the grounds that the meeting was not lawfully called or convened. No notice of an adjourned meeting of shareholders need be given if the time and place of the adjourned meeting are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, unless the adjournment is for a period greater than thirty (30) days or unless after the adjournment a new record date is fixed for the adjourned meeting.

Section 4. <u>LIST OF SHAREHOLDERS</u>. The Secretary shall prepare, before every meeting of shareholders, a complete list of the shareholders entitled to vote at the meeting, arranged in alphabetical order, showing the address of each and the number of shares registered in the name of each shareholder. Such list shall be open to the examination of any shareholder, for any purpose germane to the meeting, during ordinary business hours, for a period of at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting, at a place within the city where the meeting is to be held, which place, if other than the place of the meeting, shall be specified in the notice of the meeting. The list shall also be produced and kept at the place of the meeting during the whole time thereof, and may be inspected by any shareholder who is present in person thereat.

Section 5. <u>QUORUM</u>. At all meetings of shareholders, a quorum for the transaction of any business shall consist of the holders of such number of shares, represented in person or by proxy, as shall be entitled to cast a majority of the votes which might be cast by the holders of all of the shares of the Company issued, outstanding and entitled to be voted upon such business. In the absence of a quorum, the shareholders entitled to vote thereat and represented at the meeting or at any

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adjournment thereof may adjourn the meeting from time to time without notice other than by announcement of the time and place of the adjourned meeting at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken (subject to the provisions of the last sentence of Section 3 of this Article I) until a quorum shall attend. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally noticed.

Section 6. <u>VOTING</u>. At any meeting of shareholders when a quorum is present, the vote of the holders of a majority of the shares having voting power, present in person or represented by proxy, shall decide any question brought before such meeting, except as otherwise provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws. Shareholders are entitled to cumulative voting upon the election of directors. Unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Incorporation, all elections of directors shall be by written ballot.

Section 7. <u>PROXIES</u>. Any shareholder entitled to vote at any meeting of shareholder may vote either in person or by proxy, but no proxy which is dated more than three (3) years before the meeting at which it is offered shall be accepted unless the proxy shall provide for a longer period. Every proxy shall be in writing, signed by the shareholder or his duly authorized attorney and dated, but need not be sealed, witnessed or acknowledged. A proxy received in the form of a telegram or other written communication which identifies the shareholder and evidences the shareholder's intent to submit a proxy may be accepted, although not manually signed.

#### ARTICLE II BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. <u>NUMBER AND POWERS</u>. The number of directors shall be not less than three (3) nor more than twelve (12) and at any time shall be such number as the Board of Directors shall most recently have fixed.

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The business and affairs of the Company shall be managed by or under the direction of the Board of Directors which may exercise all of the powers of the Company except such as are by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws conferred upon or reserved to other persons.

Section 2. <u>ORGANIZATION MEETING</u>. Immediately after each meeting of shareholders at which directors shall have been elected, the Board of Directors shall meet for the purpose of organization or otherwise at the place of the shareholders' meeting, and no notice of such meeting of the Board of Directors shall be necessary.

Section 3. <u>REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS</u>. Meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or the Secretary, and shall be called by the Secretary upon the written request of one (1) director. The Board of Directors may hold its meetings at such place or places as it may determine or as *may* be designated by the person calling the meeting.

Section 4. <u>NOTICE OF MEETING</u>. Except as provided in Section 2 of this Article II, notice of the place, day and hour of every meeting shall be given to each director at least two (2) days before the meeting by delivering such notice to him personally, either orally or in writing, or by sending notice to him by telegraph or by leaving a notice at his residence or usual place of business or, in the alternative, upon five (5) days' notice by mail. If mailed, notice is given when deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, in a sealed envelope addressed to the director at the address furnished to the Company for such purpose and, if telegraphed, notice is given when it is delivered to the telegraph company for transmission to the director at the address furnished to the Company for such purpose. A written waiver of notice signed by the director entitled to notice and filed with the records of the meeting either before or after the holding thereof, waives such notice; and attendance of a director at any meeing shall constitute a waiver of notice of the meeting unless such attendance is for the sole purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business on the grounds that the meeting was not lawfully called or convened. No notice of

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adjourned meetings of the Board of Directors need be given if the time and place of the adjourned meeting are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, unless the adjournment is for a period greater than thirty (30) days. The notice need not specify the business proposed to be transacted at the meeting.

Section 5. <u>QUORUM</u>. A majority of the directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors. The act of a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors, except as may be otherwise specifically provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws. In the absence of a quorum, the directors present, by majority vote, may adjourn the meeting without notice other than by announcement at the meeting, until a quorum shall attend. At any adjourned meeting at which a quorum is present, any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally noticed.

Common or interested directors may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Board of Directors which authorizes a contract or transaction between the Company and one or more of the directors or officers of the Company or a company or organization in which one or more of the directors or officers of the Company are directors or officers or have a financial interest.

Section 6. <u>ACTION BY CONSENT</u>. Any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting if a written consent to such action is signed by all members of the Board of Directors and such written consent is filed with the minutes of its proceedings.

Section 7. <u>CONFERENCE CALL MEETINGS</u>. The Board of Directors may participate in a meeting by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all directors participating in the meeting can hear each other, and participation in such a meeting shall constitute presence in person at the meeting of the director so participating.

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Section 8. <u>VACANCIES</u>. If any vacancy occurs in the Board of Directors or any new directorship is created by an increase in the number of directors, a majority of the directors then in office, though less than a quorum, may elect a successor or fill the newly created directorship, and any director so elected shall hold office until the next election of directors and until a successor shall be duly elected and qualified.

Section 9. <u>COMPENSATION AND INDEMNIFICATION</u>. Directors shall be entitled to receive such compensation for their services as directors and as members of committees of the Board of Directors as may be fixed by the Board of Directors, and shall be reimbursed for expenses of attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors and committees thereof. Directors may act as officers of or serve the Company in any other capacity and receive compensation therefor.

Directors shall be entitled to indemnification as provided by law and the Certificate of Incorporation.

### ARTICLE III OFFICERS

Section 1. <u>PRINCIPAL OFFICERS</u>. The principal officers of the Company shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents (one or more of whom may be designated as an Executive Vice President, a Senior Vice President or such other designation as may be determined by the Board of Directors), a Secretary, and a Treasurer each of whom shall be elected by the Board of Directors. The Company may also have such other officers as may be elected or appointed as provided in these Bylaws. Subject to Section 13 of this Article III, the elected officers of the Company shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors or until they shall have resigned by writing filed with the Secretary of the Company.

Section 2. <u>PRESIDENT</u>. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Company and shall have general charge and supervision of the business of the Company. He shall, when present,

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preside at all meetings of the shareholders and of the Board of Directors. The President may sign, with the Secretary or Treasurer or Assistant Secretary or Assistant Treasurer, certificates of stock of the Company; and sign and execute, in the name of the Company, all authorized deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments, except in cases in which the signing and execution thereof shall have been expressly delegated to some other officer or agent of the Company.

Section 3. <u>VICE PRESIDENT</u>. Each Vice President shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors or the President. At the request of the President, any Vice President may perform all of the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have the powers of the President, Any Vice President may sign, with the Secretary or Treasurer, or Assistant Secretary or Assistant Treasurer, certificates of stock of the Company; sign and execute, in the name of the Company, all authorized deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments, except in cases in which the signing and execution thereof shall have been expressly delegated to some other officer or agent of the Company; and, in general, assist the President and perform all duties incident to the office of a vice president of a company.

Section 4. <u>SECRETARY</u>. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the shareholders, of the Board of Directors and of any committee of the Board of Directors in books provided for the purpose; cause notices to be given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; be custodian of the stock ledger and records and of the corporate seal of the Company; see that the corporate seal is affixed to all documents, the execution of which, on behalf of the Company, under its seal, is duly authorized, and when it is so affixed attest the same; sign, with the President or any Vice President, certificates of stock of the Company; and, in general, perform all duties incident to the office of a secretary of a company, and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. <u>TREASURER</u>. The Treasurer shall have charge of and be responsible for all funds, securities, receipts and disbursements of the Company, and shall deposit or cause to be deposited, in the name of

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the Company, all moneys or other valuable effects in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be authorized by the Board of Directors. He shall render to the President and to the Board of Directors, whenever requested, an account of the financial condition of the Company. The Treasurer may sign, with the President or a Vice President, certificates of stock of the Company; and, in general, he shall perform all of the duties incident to the office of a treasurer of a company, and such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 6. <u>ASSISTANT OFFICERS</u>. The Board of Directors may elect one or more Assistant Secretaries and one or more Assistant Treasurers who, in the absence or disability of the Secretary or Treasurer, or at the request of the Secretary or Treasurer, as the case may be, shall have the powers and duties of such office. Each Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer shall have such additional authorities and perform such additional duties as may be assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Section 7. <u>APPOINTED ASSISTANT AND SUBORDINATE OFFICERS</u>. The. Board of Directors may appoint such subordinate officers as it may deem desirable and prescribe their powers and duties. In addition, the President may appoint and, subject to Section 13 of this Article IV, remove such assistant officers and such subordinate officers as either may deem desirable and prescribe their powers, duties and compensation, subject to the limits fixed by the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 12 of this Article III of the Bylaws.

Section 8. <u>ADDITIONAL AUTHORITIES AND DUTIES AND RESTRICTIONS THEREON</u>. The Board of Directors may, at anytime, for a limited or unlimited period, grant to or impose upon any officer (including any assistant or subordinate officer) authorities or duties additional to those hereinabove specified. The Board of Directors may also, at any time for a limited or an unlimited period, restrict the authorities and duties otherwise appurtenant to any office.

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Section 9. <u>OFFICERS HOLDING TWO OR MORE OFFICES</u>. Any number of the above offices may be held by the same person except for the offices of President and Secretary, but no officer shall execute, acknowledge or verify any Instrument in more than one capacity if such Instrument is required by law or these Bylaws to be executed, acknowledged or verified by two or more officers.

Section 10. <u>COMPENSATION</u>. The Board of Directors shall fix the compensation of officers and employees receiving compensation exceeding such limit as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

Section 11. <u>REMOVAL</u>. Any elected officer may be removed, with or without cause, by vote of a majority of the entire Board of Directors at a meeting called for that purpose. Any appointed officer may be removed, with or without cause, by the Board of Directors or the President.

## ARTICLE IV <u>SHARES</u>

Section 1. <u>CERTIFICATES</u>. Each shareholder shall be entitled to a certificate or certificates certifying the number and kind of shares owned by him, signed by the President or a Vice President, and by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary or by the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer, and sealed with the seal of the Company. The signatures of the officers upon a certificate may be a facsimile when the certificate is countersigned by a Transfer Agent or registered by a registrar other than the Company itself or an employee of the Company. The seal of the Company may be a facsimile thereof. Share certificates shall be in such form, not inconsistent with law or the Articles of Incorporation, as shall be approved by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. <u>TRANSFER OF SHARES AND ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY</u>. Shares of stock shall be transferable only on the books of the Company by the holder thereof, in person or by duly authorized attorney, upon the

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surrender of the certificate representing the shares to be transferred, properly endorsed. A person in whose name shares of stock stand on the books of the Company shall be deemed the owner thereof as regards the Company. The Board of Directors may make such additional rules and regulations and take such action as it may deem expedient concerning the issue, reissue, transfer, registration and cancellation of certificates representing shares of stock of the Company.

Section 3. <u>TRANSFER AGENTS AND REGISTRARS</u>. The Company shall if and whenever the Board of Directors shall so determine, maintain one or more transfer offices or agencies, each in charge of a Transfer Agent designated by the Board of Directors, where the shares of any of the stock of the Company shall be directly transferable, and may also have one or more registered offices, each in charge of a Registrar designated by the Board of Directors, where such shares of stock shall be registered, and no certificate for shares of stock of the Company in respect of which a Transfer Agent shall have been designated shall be valid unless countersigned by such Transfer Agent and, if a Registrar shall have been designated, unless registered by such Registrar.

Section 4. <u>RECORD DATES</u>. In order that the Company may determine the shareholders entitled to notice of or to vote at any meeting of shareholders or any adjournment thereof, or to express consent to corporate action in writing without a meeting, or to receive payment of any dividend or other distribution or allotment of any rights, or entitled to exercise any rights in respect of any change, conversion or exchange of shares or for the purpose of any other lawful action, the Board of Directors may fix, in advance, a record date, which shall not be more than sixty (60) nor less than ten (10) days before the date of such meeting, nor more than sixty (60) days prior to any other action.

If no record date is fixed, the provisions of applicable law shall govern the fixing of a record date.

A determination of shareholders of record entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of shareholders shall apply to any adjournment of the meeting, except that the Board of Directors may fix a new record date for the adjourned meeting.

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#### ARTICLE V MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 1. <u>OFFICES</u>. The Company shall maintain such registered offices and registered agents as may be required by law. The Company may have such other offices at such other places as the Board of Directors may from time to time appoint or as the business of the Company may require and, subject to the provisions of the laws of the State of New Jersey, may keep the books of the Company outside of said state and at such place or places as may be designated by the Board of Directors or pursuant to these Bylaws.

Section 2. <u>SEAL</u>. The corporate seal of the Company shall bear the name of the Company and the words "Corporate Seal, New Jersey." The seal may be used by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be impressed or affixed or reproduced. If deemed advisable by the Board of Directors, a duplicate seal or duplicate seals may be provided and kept for the purposes of the Company.

Section 3. <u>BOOKS AND RECORDS</u>. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Certificate of Incorporation or these Bylaws, the Board of Directors may determine whether and, if allowed, when and under what conditions and regulations the books and records of the Company, or any of them, shall be opened to the inspection of shareholders, and the rights of shareholders in this respect are and shall be limited accordingly. Under no circumstances shall any shareholder have the right to inspect any book or record or receive any statement for an improper or illegal purpose.

Section 4. <u>FISCAL YEAR</u>. The fiscal year of the Company shall begin on the first day of January in each year and end on the last day of December in each year.

Section 5. <u>VOTING OF STOCK IN OTHER COMPANIES</u>. Any shares in other companies which may be held by the Company may be represented and voted at any meeting of shareholders of such other company by the President or any Vice President of the Company or by proxy executed in the name of the Company by the President or any Vice President.

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#### CERTIFICATE OF CONVERSION

# CONVERTING

## NORTH AMERICAN SITE DEVELOPERS, INC.

## (a Massachusetts corporation)

#### INTO

#### NASDI, LLC

#### (a Delaware limited liability company)

# PURSUANT TO SECTION 18-214 OF THE DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT

North American Site Developers, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), does hereby execute this Certificate of Conversion to convert the Company into a Delaware limited liability company, pursuant to the Massachusetts Business Corporation Act (<u>M.G.L.A.</u> c156D § 9.54) and the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act (6 <u>Del. C.</u> § 101, <u>et. seq</u>.), and, hereby certifies to the following:

FIRST: The Company was formed in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on October 8, 1976.

SECOND: Immediately prior to the filing of this Certificate of Conversion, the name of the entity to be converted into a Delaware limited liability company is "North American Site Developers, Inc."

THIRD: The name of the entity to survive the Conversion as set forth in its Certificate of Formation is "NASDI, LLC" (the "LLC").

FOURTH: The Conversion shall be effective upon the filing of this Certificate of Conversion and the Certificate of Formation of the LLC with the Secretary of Delaware.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate on this 30th day of April, 2008.

NORTH AMERICAN SITE DEVELOPERS, INC.

n Bv:

Deborah A. Wensel Vice President and Treasurer

#### CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION OF NASDI, LLC

This Certificate of Formation of NASDI, LLC (the "<u>Company</u>"), dated April 30, 2008, is being duly executed and filed by Timothy D. Kincaid, as an authorized person, to form a limited liability company under the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act (6 Del. C. §18-101, *et seq.*).

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company hereby formed is "NASDI, LLC".

SECOND: The address of the registered office of the Company in the State of Delaware is c/o The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19801.

THIRD: The name and address of the registered agent for service of process on the Company in the State of Delaware is c/o The Corporation Trust Company, 1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19801.

FOURTH: The formation shall be effective upon the filing of this Certificate of Formation and the Certificate of Conversion of the Company with the Secretary of Delaware.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate of Formation as of the date first above written.

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Name: Timothy D. Kincaid Title: Authorized Person

Bv:

Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation 2122 York Road Oak Brook, Illinois 60523

## Re: Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation Registration Statement on Form S-4

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the registration statement on Form S-4 (the "Registration Statement") being filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), pertaining to the registration by the Company of \$250,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of the Company's 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 (the "Exchange Notes"), to be guaranteed (the "Guarantees") by the additional registrants listed in the Registration Statement (the "Additional Registrants"). The Exchange Notes are to be issued in exchange ("Exchange Offer") for a like principal amount of the Company's outstanding 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 (the "Outstanding Notes"). This opinion is being furnished in accordance with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act, and no opinion is expressed herein as to any matter pertaining to the contents of the Registration Statement or the Prospectus (as hereinafter defined) other than as to enforceability, as specified herein, of the Exchange Notes and the Guarantees.

In rendering the opinions set forth herein, we have reviewed the originals or copies, identified to our satisfaction, of the following transaction documents, in each case in the form executed by the parties thereto (the "Transaction Documents"):

- (a) a draft of the Registration Statement in the form in which it will be filed, which includes a form of prospectus (the "Prospectus");
- (b) the Indenture dated as of January 28, 2011 between the Company, the guarantors party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture dated as of May 6, 2011 between the Company, the guarantors party thereto and the Trustee (together, the "Indenture");
- (c) specimens of the certificates representing the Exchange Notes;
- (d) the other documents delivered by or on behalf of the Company and the Trustee as of the date hereof in connection with the delivery of the Exchange Notes; and

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- (e) copies of certificates and other documents as we deemed necessary to render such opinions.
- We have also reviewed originals or copies, identified to our satisfaction, of the following corporate documents (the "Corporate Documents"):
- (a) certified copies of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "Certificate of Incorporation") and the Third Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company (the "Bylaws");
- (b) certified copies of the certificate of incorporation and the bylaws (or similar organizational documents) of each of the Additional Registrants;
- (c) a certified copy of resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company on January 16, 2011 and by the Pricing Committee of the Company on January 25, 2011; and
- (d) a certified copy of resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors, Board of Managers or similar governing bodies, as applicable, of each of the Additional Registrants, in each case dated January 25, 2011.

In our review, we have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the legal capacity of all natural persons who have executed documents, the completeness and authenticity of all original documents reviewed by us and the conformity to complete and authentic originals of all copies of documents reviewed by us.

With respect to each party to a Transaction Document other than the Company, we have assumed that (a) such party is validly existing or qualified to do business and in good standing in all necessary jurisdictions, has the corporate or other requisite power and authority under all applicable laws and governing documents to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under each Transaction Document to which it is a party, has been duly authorized by all necessary corporate or other action on its part to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under each such Transaction Document, and has executed and delivered each such Transaction Document, and (b) each such Transaction Document constitutes the valid and binding obligation of such party, enforceable against such party in accordance with its terms. To the extent it may be relevant to the opinions expressed below, we have assumed (i) that the Registration Statement has become and remains effective under the Securities Act, and (ii) that the Indenture has been duly executed and delivered by the Trustee, the Indenture has been qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, and that the Trustee has the requisite organizational and legal power and authority to perform its obligations under the Indenture and that the Indenture constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Trustee.

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With respect to all parties to the Transaction Documents, we have assumed (a) there has been no mutual mistake of fact or misunderstanding, or fraud, duress or undue influence, in connection with the negotiation, execution or delivery of the Transaction Documents, (b) the conduct of all parties to the Transaction Documents has complied with all requirements of good faith, fair dealing and conscionability, and (c) there are and have been no agreements or understandings among the parties, written or oral, and there is and has been no usage of trade or course of prior dealing among the parties that would, in either case, define, supplement or qualify the terms of any Transaction Document.

As to facts material to our opinions, we have relied without independent investigation or verification upon the accuracy of factual statements, including, representations of fact, (a) made by the Company in the Transaction Documents and (b) contained in certificates, agreements, oral or written statements or other records of or from public officials and officers and representatives of the Company and others and assumed compliance on the part of all parties to all agreements and documents with their covenants and agreements contained therein. Except as expressly set forth herein, we have not undertaken any independent investigation to determine the existence or absence of facts and no inference as to our knowledge or awareness concerning facts should be drawn from the fact that we have represented the Company or any affiliates of the Company in this or other matters.

Based upon and subject to the foregoing and to the limitations, qualifications and exceptions set forth below, we are of the opinion that when (i) the Registration Statement becomes effective and (ii) the Exchange Notes have been duly authenticated by the Trustee and executed and delivered by the Company in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and exchanged for the Outstanding Notes in accordance with the terms of the Exchange Offer, the Exchange Notes will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Company enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms; and the Guarantees will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Additional Registrants enforceable against the Additional Registrants in accordance with their terms.

Our opinions set forth above are subject to the following limitations, qualifications and exceptions:

(a) We are members of the Bar of the State of Illinois and we express no opinion herein concerning any laws other than the internal law of the State of Illinois, the federal law of the United States of America and the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "DGCL"). Furthermore, our opinion on each legal issue addressed in this letter is based solely on those provisions of Illinois law, federal law or the DGCL as in our experience are normally applicable to general business corporations not engaged in regulated business activities and to transactions of the type contemplated by the Transaction Documents, without having made any special investigation as to any other laws. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we express no opinion with respect to any (i) local or municipal laws, rules, regulations or executive orders,

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or (ii) federal or state laws, rules, regulations or executive orders concerning (A) antitrust or unfair competition matters, including those imposing notice or filing requirements; (B) banks or banking; (C) pensions or employee benefits; (D) bulk sales; (E) taxes; and (F) prevention of terrorism or money laundering. We have assumed the validity and constitutionality of each statute, rule, regulation or executive order covered by this opinion letter.

(b) We express no opinion herein as to any of the following which may be contained in the Transaction Documents: (i) choice of law provisions; (ii) provisions that affect the jurisdiction, venue or procedures of courts, including provisions to submit to the jurisdiction of a particular court, to designate a specific forum, to restrict access to courts, to waive the right to a jury trial, to waive an objection to venue; to waive service of process requirements that would otherwise be applicable or to establish (or which may be construed to establish) evidentiary standards; (iii) provisions that provide for recovery of costs and attorneys' fees incurred in connection with any action, suit or proceeding; (iv) provisions that provide for indemnification, contribution, waiver or release to the extent such provisions may be limited or rendered unenforceable, in whole or in part, by applicable federal or state securities or criminal laws (or the policies underlying such laws); (v) provisions that release, exculpate or exempt a party from, or require indemnification for, liability for action or inaction constituting negligence, gross negligence, recklessness, willful misconduct or unlawful conduct; (vi) severability provisions; (vii) provisions that terms may not be waived or modified except in writing; (viii) provisions that restrict competition, including covenants not to compete or to interfere with business or employee relations and covenants not to solicit customers or to solicit or hire employees; (ix) provisions that require compounding of interest or the payment or accrual of interest on interest; (x) provisions for forfeitures or the recovery of amounts deemed to constitute penalties or for liquidated damages; (xii) provisions that grant any party the right to act without notice, demand or legal process; or (xiii) provisions that require a party to use "best efforts."

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the references to this firm under the captions "Legal Matters" in the Prospectus. In giving these consents, we do not hereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act.

Please be advised that certain attorneys in the firm are equity holders of the Company.

NEAL, GERBER & EISENBERG LLP

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This opinion letter is limited to the matters expressly set forth herein and no opinion is implied or may be inferred beyond the matters expressly set forth herein. We disclaim any obligation to notify you of any changes with respect to the matters addressed herein which may occur after the date of this opinion letter.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Neal, Gerber & Eisenberg LLP

NEAL, GERBER & EISENBERG LLP

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## Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation (dollars in thousands)

		Year Ended December 31,				Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2010
Pretax income from continuing operations (1)	\$ 1,270	\$11,519	\$ 9,126	\$26,102	\$54,888	\$ 4,516	\$16,193
Fixed charges	31,521	26,055	24,931	24,338	21,079	7,805	5,015
Capitalized Interest		—	(259)	(162)	(34)	_	85
Distributed income of equity investees	650	2,400	625	621	—	—	—
	\$33,441	\$39,974	\$34,423	\$50,899	\$75,933	\$12,321	\$21,293
Fixed charges:							
Interest expense and amortized deferred financing costs	\$24,547	\$18,209	\$17,395	\$16,393	\$13,592	\$ 5,950	\$ 3,143
Estimated interest expense in operating leases	6,974	7,846	7,536	7,945	7,487	1,855	1,872
Total fixed charges	\$31,521	\$26,055	\$24,931	\$24,338	\$21,079	\$ 7,805	\$ 5,015
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges		1.5	1.4	2.1	3.6	1.6	4.2

## CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-4 of our report dated March 14, 2011, (July 21, 2011 as to Note 22), relating to the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and subsidiaries appearing in the Current Report on Form 8-K of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and subsidiaries filed on July 21, 2011, and our report dated March 14, 2011, relating to the effectiveness of the Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation and subsidiaries' internal control over financial reporting, appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2010, and to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in the Prospectus, which is part of this Registration Statement.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Chicago, Illinois July 21, 2011

### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-4 of our report dated March 23, 2010, relating to the financial statements of L.W. Matteson, Inc. as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009, appearing in the Current Report on Form 8-K/A of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation filed March 16, 2010, and to the reference to us under the heading "Experts" in the Prospectus, which is part of this Registration Statement.

/s/ CPA Associates PC

Burlington, Iowa July 21, 2011

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM T-1

# STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

□ CHECK IF AN APPLICATION TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY OF A TRUSTEE PURSUANT TO SECTION 305(b) (2)

# WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

(Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

A National Banking Association (Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization if not a U.S. national bank)

101 North Phillips Avenue Sioux Falls, South Dakota (Address of principal executive offices) 94-1347393 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> 57104 (Zip code)

Wells Fargo & Company Law Department, Trust Section MAC N9305-175 Sixth Street and Marquette Avenue, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor Minneapolis, Minnesota 55479 (612) 667-4608 (Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation (Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

2122 York Road Oak Brook, Illinois (Address of principal executive offices)

> 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 and Guarantees of 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 (Title of the indenture securities)

20-5336063 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> 60523 (Zip code)

# **GUARANTORS**

	State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or	I.R.S. Employer	Address of Principal
Exact Name of Obligor as Specified in its Charter	Organization	Identification No.	Executive Offices
Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Company, LLC	Delaware	20-1354414	c/o Great Lakes Dredge & Dock
			Corporation 2122 York Road
			Oak Brook, Illinois 60523
Dawson Marine Services Company	Delaware	36-3503893	c/o Great Lakes Dredge & Dock
			Corporation 2122 York Road
			Oak Brook, Illinois 60523
Great Lakes Caribbean Dredging, Inc.	Delaware	36-4347352	c/o Great Lakes Dredge & Dock
			Corporation 2122 York Road
			Oak Brook, Illinois 60523
NASDI Holdings Corporation	Delaware	04-2598486	c/o Great Lakes Dredge & Dock
			Corporation 2122 York Road
			Oak Brook, Illinois 60523
Fifty-Three Dredging Corporation	New Jersey	36-3177787	c/o Great Lakes Dredge & Dock
			Corporation 2122 York Road
			Oak Brook, Illinois 60523
NASDI, LLC	Delaware	38-3779500	c/o Great Lakes Dredge & Dock
			Corporation 2122 York Road
			Oak Brook, Illinois 60523

Item 1. General Information. Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

Comptroller of the Currency Treasury Department Washington, D.C. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Washington, D.C. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco San Francisco, California 94120

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers. The trustee is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

Item 2. <u>Affiliations with Obligor</u>. If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each such affiliation.

None with respect to the trustee.

No responses are included for Items 3-14 of this Form T-1 because the obligor is not in default as provided under Item 13.

Item 15. Foreign Trustee. Not applicable.

Item 16. List of Exhibits. List below all exhibits filed as a part of this Statement of Eligibility.

Exhibit 1.	A copy of the Articles of Association of the trustee now in effect.*
Exhibit 2.	A copy of the Comptroller of the Currency Certificate of Corporate Existence and Fiduciary Powers for Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, dated February 4, 2004.**
Exhibit 3.	See Exhibit 2
Exhibit 4.	Copy of By-laws of the trustee as now in effect.***
Exhibit 5.	Not applicable.
Exhibit 6.	The consent of the trustee required by Section 321 (b) of the Act.
Exhibit 7.	A copy of the latest report of condition of the trustee published pursuant to law or the requirements of its supervising or examining authority.
Exhibit 8.	Not applicable.
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Exhibit 9. Not applicable.

<sup>\*</sup> Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number to the trustee's Form T-1 filed as exhibit 25 to the Form S-4 dated December 30, 2005 of file number 333-130784-06.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number to the trustee's Form T-1 filed as exhibit 25 to the Form T-3 dated March 3, 2004 of file number 022-28721.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Incorporated by reference to the exhibit of the same number to the trustee's Form T-1 filed as exhibit 25 to the Form S-4 dated May 26, 2005 of file number 333-125274.

# SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the trustee, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, a national banking association organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, has duly caused this statement of eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in the City of Chicago and State of Illinois on the 21st day of July, 2011.

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

/s/ Gregory S. Clarke

Gregory S. Clarke Vice President July 21, 2011

Securities and Exchange Commission Washington, D.C. 20549

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, the undersigned hereby consents that reports of examination of the undersigned made by Federal, State, Territorial, or District authorities authorized to make such examination may be furnished by such authorities to the Securities and Exchange Commission upon its request therefor.

Very truly yours,

WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

/s/ Gregory S. Clarke

Gregory S. Clarke Vice President

# EXHIBIT 7 Consolidated Report of Condition of

Wells Fargo Bank National Association of 101 North Phillips Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57104 And Foreign and Domestic Subsidiaries,

at the close of business March 31, 2011, filed in accordance with 12 U.S.C. §161 for National Banks.

			lar Amounts 1 Millions
ASSETS			
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:			
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin		\$	17,369
Interest-bearing balances			74,672
Securities:			
Held-to-maturity securities			0
Available-for-sale securities			145,551
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell:			
Federal funds sold in domestic offices			6,481
Securities purchased under agreements to resell			10,955
Loans and lease financing receivables:			
Loans and leases held for sale			19,408
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	686,307		
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	18,779		
Loans and leases, net of unearned income and allowance			667,528
Trading Assets			34,595
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)			8,062
Other real estate owned			5,290
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies			588
Direct and indirect investments in real estate ventures			108
Intangible assets			
Goodwill			20,936
Other intangible assets			27,181
Other assets			54,306
Total assets		\$ 1	1,093,030
LIABILITIES		_	
Deposits:			
In domestic offices		\$	749,729
Noninterest-bearing	171,738		,. =.
Interest-bearing	577,991		
In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs	- ,		93,508
Noninterest-bearing	1,895		,
Interest-bearing	91,613		
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase:	01,010		
Federal funds purchased in domestic offices			1.809
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase			14.094
under agreemente to reparemete			1.,001

	Dollar Amounts In Millions
Trading liabilities	19,802
Other borrowed money (includes mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases)	38,506
Subordinated notes and debentures	17,445
Other liabilities	32,953
Total liabilities	\$ 967,846
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common stock	519
Surplus (exclude all surplus related to preferred stock)	98,980
Retained earnings	19,029
Accumulated other comprehensive income	5,381
Other equity capital components	0
Total bank equity capital	123,909
Noncontrolling (minority) interests in consolidated subsidiaries	1,275
Total equity capital	125,184
Total liabilities, and equity capital	\$ 1,093,030

I, Timothy J. Sloan, EVP & CFO of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition has been prepared in conformance with the instructions issued by the appropriate Federal regulatory authority and is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Timothy J. Sloan EVP & CFO

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this Report of Condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions issued by the appropriate Federal regulatory authority and is true and correct.

John Stumpf Dave Hoyt Michael Loughlin Directors

#### LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

#### **GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK CORPORATION**

Offer for all outstanding 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 in exchange for 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended

The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on time prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

, 2011, unless extended. Tenders of old notes may be withdrawn at any

Exchange Agent:

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association

Registered & Certified Mail: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Corporate Trust Operations MAC N9303-121 P.O. Box 1517 Minneapolis, MN 55480 Regular Mail or Courier: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Corporate Trust Operations MAC N9303-121 6<sup>th</sup> St & Marquette Avenue Minneapolis, MN 55479 In Person by Hand Only: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Corporate Trust Services Northstar East Building - 12<sup>th</sup> Floor 608 Second Avenue South Minneapolis, MN 55402

By facsimile (eligible institutions only): (612) 667-6282

Attention: Corporate Trust Operations

#### For Information or Confirmation by Telephone: (800) 344-5128

Delivery of this instrument to an address other than as set forth above or transmission of this instrument to a facsimile number other than as set forth above does not constitute a valid delivery.

The undersigned acknowledges that he, she or it has received the prospectus, dated , 2011, of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Great Lakes"), and this letter of transmittal (this "letter"), which together constitute Great Lakes' offer to exchange (the "exchange offer"), an aggregate principal amount of up to \$250,000,000 of Great Lakes' 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 (the "exchange notes"), which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), for an equal aggregate principal amount of Great Lakes' issued and outstanding 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 (the "old notes") from the registered holders thereof.

For each old note accepted for exchange, the holder of such old note will receive an exchange note having a principal amount equal to that of the surrendered old note. The exchange notes will bear interest from the most recent date to which interest has been paid on the old notes. As a result, registered holders of exchange notes on the relevant record date for the first interest payment date following the consummation of the exchange offer will receive interest accruing from the most recent date to which interest has been paid. Old notes accepted for exchange will cease to accrue interest from and after the closing date of the exchange offer. Holders of old notes accepted for exchange will not receive any payment of accrued interest on such old notes on any interest payment date if the relevant record date occurs on or after the closing date of the exchange offer.

This letter is to be completed by a holder of old notes if certificates for old notes are to be forwarded with this letter. Tenders of old notes by book-entry transfer by holders of old notes in book-entry form must be made by delivering an agent's message transmitted by The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") pursuant to the procedures set forth in "Exchange Offer—Procedures for Brokers and Custodian Banks; DTC ATOP Account" section of the prospectus in lieu of this letter. The term "agent's message" means a message transmitted by the DTC participants to DTC, and thereafter transmitted by DTC to the exchange agent, forming a part of the book-entry confirmation which states that DTC has received an express acknowledgment from the participant in DTC

described in such agent's message stating that such participant and beneficial holder agree to be bound by the terms of this exchange offer, which acknowledgment states that such participant has received and agreed to be bound by the terms and conditions of the exchange offer, including the representations and warranties contained in this letter of transmittal, and that Great Lakes may enforce this letter of transmittal against such participant. Holders of old notes whose certificates are not immediately available, or who are unable to deliver their certificates or confirmation of the book-entry tender of their old notes into the exchange agent's account at DTC ("book-entry confirmation") and all other documents required by this letter to the exchange agent at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, must tender their old notes according to the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth in "Exchange Offer—Guaranteed Delivery Procedures" section of the prospectus. See Instruction 1.

Delivery of documents to DTC does not constitute delivery to the exchange agent.

The undersigned has completed the appropriate boxes below and signed this letter to indicate the action the undersigned desires to take with respect to the exchange offer. List below the old notes to which this letter relates. If the space provided below is inadequate, the certificate numbers and principal amount of old notes should be listed on a separate signed schedule affixed hereto.

# **DESCRIPTION OF OLD NOTES**

	Name and Address of Registered Holder	(1) Certificate Numbers(s) (Delivered Herewith)*	(2) Aggregate Principal Amount of Old Notes	Aggregate Principal Amount of Old Notes Tendered (if less than all)**
		Total:		
* **	Unless otherwise indicated in this	es are being tendered by book-entry transfe column, a holder will be deemed to have t denominations of \$2,000 principal amount	endered ALL of the old notes indicated ir	
	Check here if certificates represen	nting tendered old notes are enclosed herew	zith.	
	Check here if tendered old notes a the following:	are being delivered by book-entry transfer i	made to the account maintained by the exe	change agent with DTC and complete
	Name of Tendering Institution:			
	DTC Account Number:			
	Transaction Code Number:			
0	0	ge agent's account at DTC's Automated Te offer, including transmitting to the exchan	0	1 5 0 11

By pro notes acknowledges and agrees to be bound by the terms of, and makes the representations and warranties contained in, this letter, the participant in DTC confirms on behalf of itself and the beneficial owners of such old notes all provisions of this letter (including all representations and warranties) are applicable to it and such beneficial owner as fully as if it had completed the information required herein and executed and transmitted this letter to the exchange agent. Please note: There is no requirement to deliver a completed letter of transmittal to the exchange agent in the exchange offer if a holder is tendering their old notes held in book-entry form in the exchange offer in compliance with applicable ATOP procedures and an agent's message is properly delivered.

Check here if tendered old notes are being delivered pursuant to a notice of guaranteed delivery previously sent to the exchange agent and complete the following:

Name(s) of Registered Holder(s):

Window Ticket Number (if any):

Date of Execution of Notice of Guaranteed Delivery:

Name of Institution Which Guaranteed Delivery:

(3)

If de	livered by book-entry transfer, complete	the following:
	Account Number:	
	Transaction Code Number:	
	Check here if you are a broker-dealer a	nd wish to receive 10 additional copies of the prospectus and 10 copies of any amendments or supplements thereto.
	Name:	

Address:

The undersigned represents that it is not engaged in, and does not intend to engage in, a distribution of exchange notes. In addition, if the undersigned is a brokerdealer that will receive exchange notes for its own account in exchange for old notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, it acknowledges that such old notes were acquired by such broker-dealer as a result of market-making or other trading activities and that it must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale transaction, including the delivery of a prospectus that contains information with respect to any selling holder required by the Securities Act in connection with any resale of the exchange notes. However, by acknowledging and delivering a prospectus, the undersigned will not be deemed to admit that it is an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act. If the undersigned is a broker-dealer that will receive exchange notes, it represents that the old notes to be exchanged for the exchange notes were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities.

#### SIGNATURE MUST BE PROVIDED BELOW PLEASE READ THE ACCOMPANYING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Subject to the terms and conditions of the exchange offer, the undersigned hereby tenders to Great Lakes the aggregate principal amount of old notes indicated above. Subject to, and effective upon, the acceptance for exchange of the old notes tendered hereby, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers to, or upon the order of, Great Lakes all right, title and interest in and to such old notes as are being tendered hereby.

The undersigned hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints the exchange agent as the undersigned's true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact with respect to such tendered old notes, with full power of substitution, among other things, to cause the old notes to be assigned, transferred and exchanged.

The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that the undersigned has full power and authority to tender, sell, assign and transfer the old notes, and to acquire exchange notes issuable upon the exchange of such tendered old notes, and that, when the same are accepted for exchange, Great Lakes will acquire good and unencumbered title thereto, free and clear of all liens, restrictions, charges and encumbrances and not subject to any adverse claim when the same are accepted by Great Lakes. The undersigned hereby further represents that:

(1) any exchange notes received by the undersigned will be received in the ordinary course of business,

(2) the undersigned will have no arrangement or understanding with any person to participate in the distribution of the old notes or the exchange notes within the meaning of the Securities Act,

(3) the undersigned is not an "affiliate" (as such term is defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act) of Great Lakes,

(4) it is not engaged in, and does not intend to engage in, the distribution of the exchange notes, and

(5) if the undersigned is a broker-dealer, it is not tendering old notes acquired directly from Great Lakes and will receive the exchange notes for its own account in exchange for the old notes that were acquired as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities, and it will deliver a prospectus in connection with any resale of the exchange notes.

The undersigned acknowledges that this exchange offer is being made in reliance on interpretations by the Staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), as set forth in no-action letters issued to third parties, that the exchange notes issued pursuant to the exchange offer in exchange for the old notes may be offered for resale, resold and otherwise transferred by holders thereof (other than any such holder that is an "affiliate" of Great Lakes within the meaning of Rule 405 of the Securities Act), without compliance with the registration and prospectus delivery provisions of the Securities Act, provided that such exchange notes are acquired in the ordinary course of such holders' business and such holders have no arrangement with any person to participate in the distribution of such exchange notes. However, the SEC has not considered the exchange offer in the context of a no-action letter and there can be no assurance that the Staff of the SEC would make a similar determination with respect to the exchange offer as in other circumstances. The undersigned represents that it is not engaged in, and does not intend to engage in, a distribution of exchange notes and has no arrangement or understanding to participate in a distribution of exchange notes. If any holder is an affiliate of Great Lakes, is a broker-dealer who acquired old notes in the initial private placement and not as a result of marketmaking activities or other trading activities or is engaged in or intends to engage in or has any arrangement or understanding with respect to the distribution of the exchange notes to be acquired pursuant to the exchange offer, such holder:

(1) may not participate in the exchange offer,

(2) cannot rely on the applicable interpretations of the staff of the SEC, and

(3) must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale transaction.

If the undersigned is a broker-dealer that will receive exchange notes for its own account in exchange for old notes, it represents that the old notes to be exchanged for the exchange notes were acquired by it as a result of market-making activities or other trading activities and acknowledges that it will deliver a prospectus meeting the requirements of the Securities Act in connection with any resale of such exchange notes. However, by acknowledging and delivering a prospectus, the undersigned will not be deemed to admit that it is an "underwriter" within the meaning of the Securities Act. By tendering, the undersigned further represents to Great Lakes that:

(1) the undersigned and each beneficial owner acknowledge and agree that any person who is a broker-dealer registered under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or is participating in the exchange offer for the purpose of distributing the exchange notes must comply with the registration and prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act in connection with a secondary resale transaction of the exchange notes acquired by such person and cannot rely on the position of the Staff of the SEC set forth in certain no-action letters, and

(2) the undersigned and each beneficial owner understand that a secondary resale of the old notes acquired by the undersigned directly from Great Lakes should be covered by an effective registration statement containing the selling security holder information required by Item 507 or the plan of distribution information required by Item 508, as applicable, of Regulation S-K of the Securities Act.

The undersigned acknowledges that Great Lakes' acceptance of old notes validly tendered for exchange pursuant to any one of the procedures described in the section of the prospectus entitled "Exchange Offer" and in the instructions hereto will constitute a binding agreement between the undersigned and Great Lakes upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the exchange offer.

The undersigned will, upon request, execute and deliver any additional documents deemed by Great Lakes to be necessary or desirable to complete the sale, assignment and transfer of the old notes tendered hereby. All authority conferred or agreed to be conferred in this letter and every obligation of the undersigned hereunder shall be binding upon the successors, assigns, heirs, executors, administrators, trustees in bankruptcy and legal representatives of the undersigned and shall not be affected by, and shall survive, the death or incapacity of the undersigned. This tender may be withdrawn only in accordance with the procedures set forth in "Exchange Offer—Withdrawal Rights" section of the prospectus.

Unless otherwise indicated herein in the box entitled "Special Issuance Instructions" below, please issue the exchange notes (and, if applicable, substitute certificates representing old notes for any old notes not exchanged) in the name of the undersigned. Similarly, unless otherwise indicated under the box entitled "Special Delivery Instructions" below, please send the exchange notes (and, if applicable, substitute certificates representing old notes for any old notes not exchanged) to the undersigned at the address shown above in the box entitled "Description of Old Notes."

The undersigned, by completing the table entitled "Description of Old Notes" above and signing this letter of transmittal or effecting delivery of an agent's message in lieu thereof, will be deemed to have tendered the old notes, as set forth in such table above. Please read this entire letter of transmittal carefully before completing the table above.

# PLEASE SIGN HERE (To be completed by all tendering and consenting holders)

By completing, executing and delivering this letter of transmittal, the undersigned hereby tenders the principal amount of the old notes listed above in the table labeled "Description of Old Notes" under the column heading "Aggregate Principal Amount of Old Notes Tendered" or, if nothing is indicated in such column, with respect to the entire aggregate principal amount represented by the old notes described in such table.

X
X
Signature(s) of Owner
Dated:, 20
Area Code and Telephone Number:
If a holder is tendering old notes, this letter must be signed by the registered holder(s) as the name(s) appear(s) on the certificate(s) for the old notes or any person(s) authorized to become the registered holder(s) by endorsements and documents transmitted herewith. If signature is by a trustee, executor, administrator, guardian, officer or other person acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, please set forth full title. See Instruction 3.

Name(s):	
	(Please Type or Print)
Capacity:	
Address:	
Tax Identificat	ion No.:

# SIGNATURE GUARANTEE (If required by Instruction 3)

# Signature(s) Guaranteed by an Eligible Institution:

(Authorized Signature)

(Title)

(Name and Firm)

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_

# SPECIAL ISSUANCE INSTRUCTIONS (See Instructions 3 and 4)

To be completed ONLY if old notes are exchanged and/or exchange notes are to be issued in the name of someone other than the person or persons whose signature(s) appear(s) on this letter of transmittal above.

Issue	e: (please cl	heck one or more)
	exchange	notes
	old notes	
in th	e name of:	
Nam		
		(Please Type or Print)
		(Please Type or Print)
Add	ress:	
TIN		
		(Social Security Number or Employer Identification Number)

#### SPECIAL DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS (See Instructions 3 and 4)

To be completed ONLY if certificates for old notes not exchanged and/or exchange notes are to be delivered to someone other than the person or persons whose signature(s) appear(s) on this letter of transmittal above or to such person or persons at an address other than that shown in the table entitled "Description of Old Notes" above.

Mail: (please	check one or more)
🗆 exchang	ge notes
□ old note	25
to:	
Name(s)	
	(Please Type or Print)
	(Please Type or Print)
Address:	

Important: Unless guaranteed delivery procedures are complied with, this letter of transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile hereof) or an agent's message in lieu thereof pursuant to DTC's ATOP system (together with the certificates evidencing old notes or a book-entry confirmation, as applicable, and all other required documents) must be received by the exchange agent at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

In order to validly tender old notes for exchange notes, holders of old notes in certificated form that wish to tender their old notes for exchange notes in the exchange offer must complete, execute and deliver this letter of transmittal.

Except as stated in the prospectus, all authority herein conferred or agreed to be conferred shall survive the death, incapacity or dissolution of the undersigned, and any obligation of the undersigned hereunder shall be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of the undersigned. Except as otherwise stated in the prospectus, this tender for exchange of old notes is irrevocable.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

#### Forming part of the terms and conditions of the exchange offer of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation

#### 1. Delivery of this letter and old notes; Guaranteed delivery procedures.

This letter is to be completed by holders of old notes if certificates for old notes are to be forwarded with this letter. Tender of old notes by book-entry transfer by holders of old notes in book-entry form must be made by delivering an agent's message transmitted by The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") in lieu of this letter pursuant to the procedures set forth in "Exchange Offer—Procedures for Tendering Old Notes" and "Exchange Offer—Procedures for Brokers and Custodian Banks; DTC ATOP Account" sections of the prospectus. The term "agent's message" means a message transmitted by the DTC participants to DTC, and thereafter transmitted by DTC to the exchange agent, forming a part of the book-entry confirmation which states that DTC has received an express acknowledgment from the participant in DTC described in such agent's message stating that such participant and beneficial holder agree to be bound by the terms of this exchange offer, which acknowledgment states that such participant has received and agreed to be bound by the terms and conditions of the exchange offer, including the representations and warranties contained in this letter of transmittal, and that Great Lakes may enforce this letter of transmittal against such participant. To effectively tender old notes by book-entry transfer, holders of old notes must request a DTC participant to, on their behalf, electronically transmit their acceptance through DTC's Automated Tender Offer Program ("ATOP"). In the case of old notes held:

- (1) in certificated form, certificates for all physically tendered old notes as well as a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal (or manually signed facsimile of this letter) or
- (2) in book-entry form, by a book-entry confirmation and delivery of an agent's message,

and in either case any other documents required by this letter, must be received by the exchange agent at the address set forth herein at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, or the tendering holder must comply with the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth below. Old notes tendered hereby must be in denominations of principal amount of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

Holders whose certificates for old notes are not immediately available or who cannot deliver their certificates and all other required documents to the exchange agent at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, or who cannot complete the procedures for book-entry transfer at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, may tender their old notes pursuant to the guaranteed delivery procedures set forth in "Exchange Offer—Guaranteed Delivery Procedures" section of the prospectus. Pursuant to such procedures,

- (1) such tender must be made through an eligible institution,
- (2) prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, the exchange agent must receive from such eligible institution a validly completed and duly executed notice of guaranteed delivery, substantially in the form provided by Great Lakes (by facsimile transmission, mail or hand delivery) or an agent's message with respect to guaranteed delivery, setting forth the name and address of the holder of old notes and the amount of old notes tendered, stating that the tender is being made thereby and guaranteeing that within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the date of execution of the notice of guaranteed delivery, the certificates for all physically tendered old notes, in proper form for transfer, together with a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal (or facsimile of this letter) or a book-entry confirmation for old notes held in book-entry form together with an agent's message instead of this letter, as the case may be, with any required signature guarantees and any other documents required by this letter will be deposited by the eligible institution with the exchange agent, and
- (3) the certificates for all physically tendered old notes, in proper form for transfer, together with a properly completed and duly executed letter of transmittal (or facsimile of this letter) or a book-entry confirmation for old notes held in book-entry form together with an agent's message instead of this

letter, as the case may be, with any required signature guarantees and all other documents required by this letter, are received by the exchange agent within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the date of execution of the notice of guaranteed delivery.

The method of delivery of this letter, any required signature guarantees, the old notes and all other required documents, including delivery of old notes through DTC, and transmission of an agent's message through DTC's ATOP system, is at the election and risk of the tendering holders, and the delivery will be deemed made only when actually received or confirmed by the exchange agent. If old notes are sent by mail, it is suggested that the mailing be registered mail, properly insured, with return receipt requested, made sufficiently in advance of the expiration date to permit delivery to the exchange agent prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

See the "Exchange Offer" section of the prospectus.

# 2. Partial tenders (not applicable to noteholders who tender by book-entry transfer).

If less than all of the old notes evidenced by a submitted certificate are to be tendered, the tendering holder(s) should fill in the aggregate principal amount of old notes to be tendered in the box above entitled "Description of Old Notes—Aggregate Principal Amount of Old Notes Tendered." A reissued certificate representing the balance of non-tendered old notes will be sent to such tendering holder, unless otherwise provided in the appropriate box on this letter, promptly after the expiration date. All of the old notes delivered to the exchange agent will be deemed to have been tendered unless otherwise indicated.

# 3. Signatures on this letter; Bond powers and endorsements; Guarantee of signatures.

If this letter is signed by the registered holder of the old notes tendered hereby, the signature must correspond exactly with the name as written on the face of the certificates without any change whatsoever.

If any tendered old notes are owned of record by two or more joint owners, all of such owners must sign this letter. If any tendered old notes are registered in different names on several certificates, it will be necessary to complete, sign and submit as many separate copies of this letter as there are different registrations of certificates.

When this letter is signed by the registered holder or holders of the old notes specified herein and tendered hereby, no endorsements of certificates or separate bond powers are required. If, however, the exchange notes are to be issued, or any untendered old notes are to be reissued, to a person other than the registered holder, then endorsements of any certificates transmitted hereby or separate bond powers are required. Signatures on such certificate(s) must be guaranteed by an eligible institution.

If this letter is signed by a person other than the registered holder, the old notes must be endorsed or accompanied by a properly completed bond power, signed by the registered holder as the registered holder's name appears on the old notes.

If this letter is signed by trustees, executors, administrators, guardians, attorneys-in-fact, officers of corporations or others acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, such persons should so indicate when signing, and, unless waived by Great Lakes, evidence satisfactory to Great Lakes of their authority to so act must be submitted.

Signatures on this letter or a notice of withdrawal must be guaranteed by a member of a firm of a registered national securities exchange or of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., a commercial bank or trust company having an office or correspondent in the United States or an "eligible guarantor institution" within the meaning of Rule 17Ad-15 under the Exchange Act (each an "eligible institution").

Signatures on this letter or a notice of withdrawal need not be guaranteed by an eligible institution, provided the old notes are tendered: (i) by a registered holder of old notes (which term, for purposes of the exchange offer, includes any participant in the DTC system whose name appears on a security position listing as the holder of

such old notes) who has not completed the box en entitled "Special Issuance Instructions" or "Special Delivery Instructions" on this letter, or (ii) for the account of an eligible institution.

#### 4. Special issuance and delivery instructions.

Tendering holders of old notes should indicate in the applicable box the name and address to which exchange notes issued pursuant to the exchange offer and/or substitute certificates evidencing old notes not exchanged are to be issued or sent, if different from the name or address of the person signing this letter. In the case of issuance in a different name, the employer identification or social security number of the person named must also be indicated. If no such instructions are given, such old notes not exchanged will be returned to the name and address of the person signing this letter.

#### 5. Tax Identification Number.

A holder whose tendered old notes are accepted for exchange must provide the exchange agent (as payor) with his or her correct taxpayer identification number ("TIN"), which, in the case of the holder who is an individual, is his or her social security number.

#### 6. Transfer taxes.

Great Lakes will pay all transfer taxes, if any, applicable to the exchange of old notes pursuant to the exchange offer. If, however, exchange notes are to be issued for principal amounts not tendered or accepted for exchange in the name of any person other than the registered holder of the old notes tendered hereby, or if tendered old notes are registered in the name of any person other than the person signing this letter, or if a transfer tax is imposed for any reason other than the exchange of old notes to pursuant to the exchange offer, then the amount of any such transfer taxes (whether imposed on the registered holder or any other persons) will be payable by the tendering holder. If satisfactory evidence of payment of such taxes or exemption therefrom is not submitted with the consent and this letter, the amount of such transfer taxes will be billed directly to such tendering holder.

Except as provided in this Instruction 6, it will not be necessary for transfer tax stamps to be affixed to the old notes specified in this letter.

#### 7. Waiver of conditions.

Great Lakes reserves the absolute right to waive satisfaction of any or all conditions enumerated in the prospectus.

#### 8. No conditional tenders.

No alternative, conditional, irregular or contingent tenders will be accepted. All tendering holders of old notes, by execution of this letter or an agent's message in lieu thereof, shall waive any right to receive notice of the acceptance of their old notes for exchange.

Neither Great Lakes, the exchange agent nor any other person is obligated to give notice of any defect or irregularity with respect to any tender of old notes nor shall any of them incur any liability for failure to give any such notice.

#### 9. Mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed old notes.

Any holder whose old notes have been mutilated, lost, stolen or destroyed should contact the exchange agent at the address indicated above for further instructions.

#### 10. Withdrawal rights.

Tenders of old notes may be withdrawn at any time prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

For a withdrawal of a tender of old notes to be effective, a written notice of withdrawal delivered by hand, overnight courier or by mail, or a manually signed facsimile transmission, or a properly transmitted "Request Message" through DTC's ATOP system, must be received by the exchange agent at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. Any such notice of withdrawal must:

- (1) specify the name of the person having tendered the old notes to be properly withdrawn (the "depositor"),
- (2) identify the old notes to be withdrawn, including certificate number or numbers and the principal amount of such old notes,
- (3) in the case of old notes tendered by book-entry transfer, specify the number of the account at DTC from which the old notes were tendered and specify the name and number of the account at DTC to be credited with the properly withdrawn old notes and otherwise comply with the procedures of such facility,
- (4) contain a statement that such holder is withdrawing his election to have such old notes exchanged for exchange notes,
- (5) other than a notice through DTC's ATOP system, be signed by the holder in the same manner as the original signature on this letter by which such old notes were tendered (including any required signature guarantees) or be accompanied by documents of transfer to have the trustee with respect to the old notes register the transfer of such old notes in the name of the person withdrawing the tender, and
- (6) specify the name in which such old notes are registered, if different from that of the depositor.

If old notes have been tendered pursuant to the procedure for book-entry transfer set forth in "Exchange Offer—Procedures for Brokers and Custodian Banks; DTC ATOP Account" section of the prospectus, any notice of withdrawal must timely comply with the applicable procedures of DTC. All questions as to the validity, form and eligibility and time of receipt of such notice will be determined by Great Lakes, whose determination shall be final and binding on all parties. Any old notes so properly withdrawn will be deemed not to have been validly tendered for exchange for purposes of the exchange offer and no exchange notes will be issued with respect thereto unless the old notes so withdrawn are validly retendered. Any old notes that have been tendered for exchange but which are not exchanged for any reason will be returned to the holder thereof without cost to such holder (or, in the case of old notes tendered by book-entry transfer into the exchange agent's account at DTC pursuant to the book-entry transfer procedures set forth in "Exchange Offer—Procedures for Brokers and Custodian Banks; DTC ATOP Account" section of the prospectus, such old notes will be credited to an account maintained with DTC for the old notes) as soon as practicable after withdrawal, rejection of tender or termination of the exchange offer. Properly withdrawn old notes may be retendered by following the procedures described above at any time at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

#### 11. Requests for assistance or additional copies.

Questions relating to the procedure for tendering, as well as requests for additional copies of the prospectus and this letter, and requests for notices of guaranteed delivery and other related documents may be directed to the exchange agent, at the address and telephone number indicated above.

#### NOTICE OF GUARANTEED DELIVERY

#### **GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK CORPORATION**

Offer for all outstanding 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 in exchange for 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended

#### Pursuant to the Prospectus, dated

The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on any time prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

, 2011, unless extended. Tenders of original notes may be withdrawn at

This form or one substantially equivalent hereto must be used to accept the exchange offer of Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation ("Great Lakes") made pursuant to the prospectus, dated , 2011, if certificates for the outstanding 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 of Great Lakes (the "original notes") are not immediately available or if the procedure for book-entry transfer cannot be completed at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date or time will not permit all required documents to reach Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as exchange agent, at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on , 2011, unless extended (the "expiration date"). Such form may be delivered or transmitted by facsimile transmission, mail or hand delivery to the exchange agent as set forth below. In addition, in order to utilize the guaranteed delivery procedure to tender original notes pursuant to the exchange offer, a completed, signed and dated letter of transmittal for original notes held in certificated form (or a facsimile of the letter of transmittal) or an agent's message instead of a letter of transmittal for original notes held in book-entry form must also be received by the exchange agent at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the respective meanings ascribed to them in the prospectus.

The exchange agent for the exchange offer is:

Wells Fargo Bank, National Association

Registered & Certified Mail: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Corporate Trust Operations MAC N9303-121 P.O. Box 1517 Minneapolis, MN 55480

By facsimile (eligible institutions only): (612) 667-6282

Regular Mail or Courier: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Corporate Trust Operations MAC N9303-121 6<sup>th</sup> St & Marquette Avenue Minneapolis, MN 55479 In Person by Hand Only: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Corporate Trust Services Northstar East Building - 12<sup>th</sup> Floor 608 Second Avenue South Minneapolis, MN 55402

Attention: Corporate Trust Operations

, 2011

For Information or Confirmation by Telephone: (800) 344-5128

Delivery of this notice to an address other than as set forth above or transmission of this notice via facsimile to a number other than as set forth above will not constitute a valid delivery.

This notice is not to be used to guarantee signatures. If a signature on a letter of transmittal is required to be guaranteed by an "eligible institution" under the instructions thereto, such signature guarantee must appear in the applicable space provided in the signature box on the letter of transmittal.

# Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned hereby tenders to Great Lakes, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the prospectus and the related letter of transmittal, receipt of each of which the undersigned hereby acknowledges, the aggregate principal amount of original notes set forth below, pursuant to the guaranteed delivery procedures described in the letter of transmittal and under the caption "Exchange Offer—Guaranteed Delivery Procedures" in the prospectus.

Aggregate principal amount of original notes tendered (must be in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess of \$2,000)

Name(s) of holder(s)

Name of eligible guarantor institution guaranteeing delivery

Provide the following information for original notes certificates to be delivered to the exchange agent:

Certificate numbers for original notes tendered

Provide the following information for original notes to be tendered by book-entry delivery:

Name of tendering institution

DTC account number

All authority herein conferred or agreed to be conferred shall survive the death or incapacity of the undersigned, and every obligation of the undersigned hereunder shall be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of the undersigned.

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Signature(s) of owners or authorized signatory

Date

# Area code and telephone number

Must be signed by the holder(s) of the original notes being tendered as the name(s) appear(s) on the certificates evidencing such original notes or on a security position listing, or by person(s) authorized to become registered holder(s) by endorsement and documents transmitted with this notice of guaranteed delivery. If signature is by a trustee, executor, administrator, guardian, attorney-in-fact, officer or other person acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, such person must set forth his or her full title below. Please print name(s) and address(es).

Name(s): Capacity: Address(es):

#### **GUARANTEE**

#### (not to be used for signature guarantees)

The undersigned, a firm or other entity identified in Rule 17Ad-15 under the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, as an "Eligible Guarantor Institution," which definition includes: (i) banks (as that term is defined in Section 3(a) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act); (ii) brokers, dealers, municipal securities brokers, government securities dealers, and government securities brokers, as those terms are defined under the Act; (iii) credit unions (as that term is defined in Section 19(b)(1)(A) of the Federal Reserve Act); (iv) national securities exchanges, registered securities associations, and clearing agencies, as those terms are used under the Act; and (v) savings associations (as that term is defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act), hereby guarantees to deliver to the exchange agent, within three New York Stock Exchange trading days after the date of execution of this notice, the original notes tendered hereby, either: (a) by book-entry transfer, to the account of the exchange agent at DTC, pursuant to the procedures for book-entry delivery set forth in the prospectus, together with an agent's message, with any required signature guarantees, and any other required documents, or (b) by delivering certificates representing the original notes tendered hereby, together with the properly completed, dated and duly executed letter of transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile of the letter of transmittal), with any required signature guarantees, and any other required documents.

The undersigned acknowledges that it must deliver the original notes tendered hereby, either (i) in the case of original notes held in book-entry form, by book-entry transfer into the account of the exchange agent at DTC, together with an agent's message, and any required signature guarantees and other required documents, or (ii) in the case of original notes held in certificated form, by delivering to the exchange agent certificates representing the original notes tendered hereby, together with the letter of transmittal (or a manually signed facsimile copy of the letter of transmittal), and any required signature guarantees and other required documents, in either case, within the time period set forth above and that failure to do so could result in a financial loss to the undersigned.

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(Firm Name)			
(Firm Address)			
(Area Code and Telephone Numb	er and Fax Number)		
(Authorized Signature)			
(Print or Type Name of Signatory	7)		
(Title)			

(Date)

Do not send physical certificates representing original notes with this notice. Such physical certificates should be sent to the exchange agent, together with a properly completed and executed letter of transmittal.

#### Exhibit 99.3

, 2011

#### **GREAT LAKES DREDGE & DOCK CORPORATION**

Offer for all outstanding

7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 in exchange for 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019

which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended

Pursuant to the Prospectus, dated , 2011

The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on any time prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

, 2011, unless extended. Tenders of old notes may be withdrawn at

To Our Clients:

Enclosed for your consideration is a prospectus, dated , 2011, and the related letter of transmittal relating to the exchange offer by Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation ("Great Lakes") to exchange its 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019, which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "exchange notes"), for its outstanding 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 (the "old notes"), upon the terms and subject to the conditions described in the prospectus and the letter of transmittal. The exchange offer is being made in order to satisfy certain obligations of Great Lakes contained in the Registration Rights Agreement, dated January 28, 2011, by and among Great Lakes, certain guarantors thereto, Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated.

This material is being forwarded to you as the beneficial owner of the old notes held by us for your account but not registered in your name. A tender of such old notes may only be made by us as the holder of record and pursuant to your instructions.

Accordingly, we request instructions as to whether you wish us to tender on your behalf the old notes held by us for your account, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the enclosed prospectus and letter of transmittal.

Your instructions should be forwarded to us as promptly as possible in order to permit us to tender the old notes on your behalf in accordance with the provisions of the exchange offer. The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on , 2011, unless extended by Great Lakes (the "expiration date"). Any old notes tendered pursuant to the exchange offer may be withdrawn at any time before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date.

Your attention is directed to the following:

1. The exchange offer is for any and all old notes.

2. The exchange offer is subject to certain conditions set forth in the prospectus in the section captioned "Exchange Offer—Conditions to the Exchange Offer."

3. Any transfer taxes incident to the transfer of old notes from the holder to Great Lakes will be paid by Great Lakes, except as otherwise provided in the instructions in the letter of transmittal.

4. The exchange offer expires at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on , 2011, unless extended by Great Lakes.

If you wish to have us tender your old notes, please so instruct us by completing, executing and returning to us the instruction form on the back of this letter. The letter of transmittal is furnished to you for information only and may not be used directly by you to tender old notes.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

The undersigned acknowledge(s) receipt of your letter and the enclosed materials referred to therein relating to the exchange offer of Great Lakes with respect to the old notes.

The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that the undersigned has full power and authority to tender, sell, assign and transfer all right, title and interest in the old notes and to acquire the exchange notes, issuable upon the exchange of such old notes, and that, when such validly tendered old notes are accepted by Great Lakes for exchange, Great Lakes will acquire good and unencumbered title thereto, free and clear of all liens, restrictions, charges and encumbrances and not subject to any adverse claim.

By completing, executing and delivering these instructions, the undersigned hereby makes the acknowledgments, representations and warranties referred to above and instructs you to tender the old notes held by you for the account of the undersigned, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the prospectus and letter of transmittal.

Old Notes Which Are to be Tendered			
Certificate Numbers (if available)	Principal Amount Held by the Undersigned	Old Notes are to be Tendered ("Yes" or "No" and principal amount tendered, if less than all)*	

\* Unless otherwise indicated, "yes" will be assumed and all notes held by the undersigned are to be tendered.

None of the old notes held by you for the undersigned's account will be tendered unless you receive written instructions from the undersigned to do so. Unless a specific contrary instruction is given in the space provided, the undersigned's signature(s) hereon shall constitute an instruction to you to tender all the old notes held by you for the undersigned's account.

# IMPORTANT

# PLEASE SIGN HERE

(to be completed by all tendering holders)

The completion, execution and timely delivery of these instructions will be deemed to constitute an instruction to tender old notes as indicated above.

Signature(s):		
Name(s) (Please Print):		
Address:		
Zip Code:		
Area Code and Telephone No:		
Tax Identification or Social Security No:		
My Account Number with You:		

Date:

(Must be signed by the registered holder(s) of the old notes exactly as its (their) name(s) appear(s) on certificate(s) or on a security position listing, or by the person(s) authorized to become registered holder(s) by endorsement and documents transmitted herewith. If signature is by a trustee, executor, administrator, guardian, attorney-in-fact, officer or other person acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, such person must set forth his or her full title next to his or her name above. See Instruction 3 to the letter of transmittal.)

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, 2011

To Brokers, Dealers, Commercial Banks, Trust Companies and Other Nominees:

Your prompt action is requested. The exchange offer will expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on , 2011, unless extended (the "expiration date"). Old notes (as defined below) tendered pursuant to the exchange offer may be withdrawn at any time before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date. Please furnish copies of the enclosed materials as quickly as possible to those of your clients for whom you hold old notes in your name or in the name of your nominee.

Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation ("Great Lakes") is offering, upon and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the prospectus, dated

, 2011 and the enclosed letter of transmittal to exchange in the exchange offer its 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019, which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, for its outstanding 7.375% Senior Notes due 2019 (the "old notes"). The exchange offer is being made in order to satisfy certain obligations of Great Lakes contained in the Registration Rights Agreement, dated January 28, 2011 by and among Great Lakes, certain guarantors thereto, Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated.

We are requesting that you contact your clients for whom you hold old notes regarding the exchange offer. For your information and for forwarding to your clients for whom you hold old notes registered in your name or in the name of your nominee, or who hold old notes registered in their own names, we are enclosing the following documents:

1. Prospectus, dated , 2011;

2. The letter of transmittal for your use and for the information of your clients;

3. A notice of guaranteed delivery to be used to accept the exchange offer if certificates for old notes are not immediately available or time will not permit all required documents to reach the exchange agent at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date or if the procedure for book-entry transfer cannot be completed at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date; and

4. A form of letter which may be sent to your clients for whose account you hold old notes registered in your name or the name of your nominee, with space provided for obtaining such clients' instructions with regard to the exchange offer.

To participate in the exchange offer, a duly executed and properly completed letter of transmittal for old notes held in certificated form (or facsimile of the letter of transmittal) or an agent's message instead of the letter of transmittal for old notes held in book-entry form, with any required signature guarantees and any other required documents, should be sent to the exchange agent, and certificates representing the old notes should be delivered to the exchange agent or the old notes should be tendered by the book-entry procedures described in the prospectus under "Exchange Offer—Procedures for Brokers and Custodian Banks; DTC ATOP Account," all in accordance with the instructions set forth in the letter of transmittal and the prospectus.

If a registered holder of old notes desires to tender old notes, but such old notes are not immediately available, or time will not permit such holder's old notes or other required documents to reach the exchange agent before 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, or the procedure for book-entry transfer cannot be completed at or prior to 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the expiration date, a tender may be effected by following the guaranteed delivery procedures described in the prospectus under the caption "Exchange Offer—Guaranteed Delivery Procedures."

Great Lakes will, upon request, reimburse brokers, dealers, commercial banks and trust companies for reasonable and necessary costs and expenses incurred by them in forwarding the prospectus and the related documents to the beneficial owners of old notes held by them as nominee or in a fiduciary capacity. Great Lakes will pay or cause to be paid all transfer taxes applicable to the exchange of old notes pursuant to the exchange offer, except as set forth in Instruction 6 of the letter of transmittal.

Any inquiries you may have with respect to the procedure for tendering old notes pursuant to the exchange offer, or requests for additional copies of the enclosed materials, should be directed to Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, the exchange agent for the exchange offer, at its address and telephone number set forth on the front of the letter of transmittal.

#### Very truly yours,

#### Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Corporation

Nothing herein or in the enclosed documents shall constitute you or any person as an agent of Great Lakes or the exchange agent, or authorize you or any other person to use any document or make any statements on behalf of either of them with respect to the exchange offer, except for statements expressly made in the prospectus or the letter of transmittal.

Enclosures