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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

Form N-2
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933
Pre-Effective Amendment No.
Post-Effective Amendment No. 4

New Mountain Finance Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

787 Seventh Avenue, 48th Floor
New York, NY 10019
(212) 720-0300

(Address and telephone number, including area code, of principal executive offices)

Robert A. Hamwee
Chief Executive Officer
New Mountain Finance Corporation
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**Approximate date of proposed public offering:
From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.**

If any securities being registered on this form will be offered on a delayed or continuous basis in reliance on Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered in connection with a dividend reinvestment plan, check the following box.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 to the Registration Statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-218040) of New Mountain Finance Corporation (the "Registration Statement") is being filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), solely for the purpose of filing exhibits to the Registration Statement. Accordingly, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 consists only of a facing page, this explanatory note and Part C of the Registration Statement, which sets forth the exhibits to the Registration Statement. This Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 does not modify any other part of the Registration Statement. Pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 shall become effective immediately upon filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The contents of the Registration Statement are hereby incorporated by reference.

PART C
Other Information

Item 25. Financial Statements And Exhibits

(1) *Financial Statements*

The following financial statements of New Mountain Finance Corporation ("NMFC", the "Registrant", "we", "us" and "our") are included in Part C of this Registration Statement.

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(2) *Exhibits*

- (a)(1) Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of New Mountain Finance Corporation⁽²⁾
- (a)(2) Certificate of Change of Registered Agent and/or Registered Office of New Mountain Finance Corporation⁽³⁾
- (b) Amended and Restated Bylaws of New Mountain Finance Corporation⁽²⁾
- (d)(1) Form of Stock Certificate of New Mountain Finance Corporation⁽¹⁾
- (d)(2) Form of Indenture⁽⁶⁾
- (d)(3) Indenture by and between New Mountain Finance Corporation, as Issuer, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, dated June 3, 2014⁽⁹⁾
- (d)(4) Form of Global Note 5.00% Convertible Note Due 2019 (included as part of Exhibit (d)(3))⁽⁹⁾
- (d)(5) Statement of Eligibility of Trustee on Form T-1⁽²³⁾
- (d)(6) Indenture by and between New Mountain Finance Corporation, as Issuer, and U.S. Bank National Bank Association, as Trustee, dated August 20, 2018⁽²⁸⁾
- (d)(7) First Supplemental Indenture, dated August 20, 2018, relating to the 5.75% Convertible Notes Due 2023, by and between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee⁽²⁸⁾

- (d)(8) Second Supplemental Indenture, dated September 25, 2018, relating to the 5.75% Notes Due 2023, by and between the Registrant and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee
- (d)(9) Form of Global Note 5.75% Convertible Note Due 2023 (included as part of Exhibit (d)(7))⁽²⁸⁾
- (d)(10) Form of Global Note 5.75% Note Due 2023 (included as part of Exhibit (d)(8))
 - (e) Dividend Reinvestment Plan⁽²⁾
 - (f)(1) Third Amended and Restated Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of October 24, 2017, by and among New Mountain Finance Corporation, as the collateral manager, New Mountain Finance Holdings, L.L.C., as the borrower and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent, lender and custodian⁽²⁰⁾
 - (f)(2) First Amendment to Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of March 30, 2018, by and among New Mountain Finance Corporation, as the collateral manager, New Mountain Finance Holdings, L.L.C., as the borrower, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as the administrative agent, the lenders party thereto and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as the collateral custodian.⁽²⁴⁾
 - (f)(3) Form of Variable Funding Note of New Mountain Finance Holdings, L.L.C., as the Borrower⁽¹⁾
 - (f)(4) Form of Amended and Restated Account Control Agreement, among New Mountain Finance Holdings, L.L.C., Wells Fargo Securities, LLC as the Administrative Agent, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Securities Intermediary⁽¹⁾
 - (f)(5) Form of Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement, by and between New Mountain Finance Corporation, as Borrower, and Goldman Sachs Bank USA, as Administrative Agent and Syndication Agent, dated June 4, 2014⁽¹⁰⁾
 - (f)(6) Form of Guarantee and Security Agreement dated June 4, 2014, among New Mountain Finance Corporation, as Borrower, and Goldman Sachs Bank USA, as Administrative Agent⁽¹⁰⁾
 - (f)(7) Amendment No. 1, dated December 29, 2014, to the Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement dated June 4, 2014, by and among New Mountain Finance Corporation, as Borrower, and Goldman Sachs Bank USA, as Administrative Agent and Syndication Agent⁽¹¹⁾
 - (f)(8) Amendment No. 2, dated June 26, 2015, to the Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement dated June 4, 2014, by and among New Mountain Finance Corporation, as Borrower, and Goldman Sachs Bank USA, as Administrative Agent and Syndication Agent⁽¹³⁾
 - (f)(9) Amendment No. 3, dated February 27, 2018, to the Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement dated June 4, 2014, by and among New Mountain Finance Corporation, as Borrower, and Goldman Sachs Bank USA, as Administrative Agent and Syndication Agent⁽²²⁾
 - (f)(10) Amendment No. 4, dated July 5, 2018, to the Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement dated June 4, 2014, by and among New Mountain Finance Corporation, as Borrower, and Goldman Sachs Bank USA, as Administrative Agent and Syndication Agent⁽²⁶⁾
 - (f)(11) Commitment Increase Agreement, dated March 23, 2016, to the Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement dated June 4, 2014, by and among New Mountain Finance Corporation, as Borrower, and Goldman Bank USA, as Administrative Agent and

- (f)(12) Commitment Increase Agreement, dated May 4, 2016, to the Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement dated June 4, 2014, by and among New Mountain Finance Corporation, as Borrower, and Goldman Bank USA, as Administrative Agent and Syndication Agent⁽¹⁵⁾
- (f)(13) Commitment Increase Agreement, dated January 25, 2018, to the Senior Secured Revolving Credit Agreement dated June 4, 2014, by and among New Mountain Finance Corporation, as Borrower, and Goldman Bank USA, as Administrative Agent and Syndication Agent⁽²²⁾
- (f)(14) Form of Amended and Restated Note Purchase Agreement relating to 5.313% Notes due 2021, dated September 30, 2016, by and between New Mountain Finance Corporation and the purchasers party thereto⁽¹⁶⁾
- (f)(15) Form of Amended and Restated Note Purchase Agreement relating to 4.760% Notes due 2022, dated June 30, 2017, by and between New Mountain Finance Corporation and the purchasers party thereto⁽¹⁹⁾
- (f)(16) Form of Amended and Restated Note Purchase Agreement relating to 4.870% Notes due 2023, dated January 30, 2018, by and between New Mountain Finance Corporation and the purchasers party thereto⁽²¹⁾
- (f)(17) Form of Amended and Restated Note Purchase Agreement relating to 5.36% Notes due 2023, dated July 5, 2018, by and between New Mountain Finance Corporation and the purchasers party thereto⁽²⁶⁾
- (g) Investment Advisory and Management Agreement by and between New Mountain Finance Corporation and New Mountain Finance Advisers BDC, LLC⁽⁸⁾
- (h)(1) Form of Underwriting Agreement⁽⁵⁾
- (h)(2) Underwriting Agreement, dated August 15, 2018, between the Registrant and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representative of the several underwriters⁽²⁸⁾
- (h)(3) Underwriting Agreement, dated September 20, 2018, between the Registrant and Keefe, Bruyette, & Woods, Inc., as representative of the several underwriters
- (j)(1) Form of Safekeeping Agreement among New Mountain Finance Holdings, L.L.C., Wells Fargo Securities, LLC as the Administrative Agent and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Safekeeping Agent⁽¹⁾
- (j)(2) Custody Agreement by and between New Mountain Finance Corporation and U.S. Bank National Association⁽⁷⁾
- (k)(1) Second Amended and Restated Administration Agreement⁽¹²⁾
- (k)(2) Form of Trademark License Agreement⁽¹⁾
- (k)(3) Amendment No. 1 to Trademark License Agreement⁽⁴⁾
- (k)(5) Form of Indemnification Agreement by and between New Mountain Finance Corporation and each director⁽¹⁾
- (k)(6) Limited Liability Company Agreement of NMFC Senior Loan Program II LLC, dated March 9, 2016⁽¹⁵⁾
- (k)(7) Limited Liability Company Agreement for Senior Loan Program III LLC, dated April 25, 2018⁽²⁵⁾

- (l)(2) Opinion and Consent of Eversheds Sutherland (US) LLP⁽²⁸⁾
- (l)(3) Opinion and Consent of Eversheds Sutherland (US) LLP
- (n)(1) Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP⁽²⁷⁾
- (n)(2) Report of Deloitte & Touche LLP⁽²³⁾
- (n)(3) Awareness Letter of Deloitte & Touche LLP⁽²⁷⁾
- (n)(4) Consent of Deloitte and Touche LLP⁽²⁸⁾
- (n)(5) Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP
- (n)(6) Awareness Letter of Deloitte & Touche LLP⁽²⁸⁾
- (n)(7) Awareness Letter of Deloitte & Touche LLP
- (r) Code of Ethics⁽¹⁾
- 99.1 Form of Prospectus Supplement for Common Stock Offerings⁽¹⁸⁾
- 99.2 Form of Prospectus Supplement for Preferred Stock Offerings⁽¹⁸⁾
- 99.3 Form of Prospectus Supplement for Rights Offerings⁽¹⁸⁾
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- 99.5 Form of Prospectus Supplement Retail Notes Offerings⁽¹⁸⁾
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- (1) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's registration statement on Form N-2 Pre-Effective Amendment No. 3 (File Nos. 333-168280 and 333-172503) filed on May 9, 2011.
 - (2) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed on August 11, 2011.
 - (3) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation and New Mountain Finance AIV Holdings Corporation report on Form 8-K filed on August 25, 2011.
 - (4) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed on November 14, 2011.
 - (5) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's registration statement on Form N-2 Pre-Effective Amendment No. 1 (File Nos. 333-180689 and 333-180690) filed on July 10, 2012.
 - (6) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's registration statement on Form N-2 Pre-Effective Amendment No. 1 (File Nos. 333-189706 and 333-189707) filed on November 20, 2013.
 - (7) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's registration statement on Form N-2 Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 (File Nos. 333-189706 and 333-189707) filed on April 11, 2014.
 - (8) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on May 8, 2014.
 - (9) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on June 4, 2014.
 - (10) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on June 10, 2014.
 - (11) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on January 5, 2015.
 - (12) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed on May 5, 2015.
 - (13) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on June 30, 2015.
 - (14) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on March 29, 2016.

- (15) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed on May 4, 2016.
- (16) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on October 3, 2016.
- (17) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-218040) filed on May 16, 2017.
- (18) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's registration statement on Form N-2 Pre-Effective Amendment No. 1 (File No. 333-218040) filed on June 22, 2017.
- (19) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on July 3, 2017.
- (20) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on October 31, 2017.
- (21) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on February 5, 2018.
- (22) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's annual report on Form 10-K filed on February 28, 2018.
- (23) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's registration statement on Form N-2 Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 (File No. 333-218040) filed on March 28, 2018.
- (24) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on April 5, 2018.
- (25) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed on May 7, 2018.
- (26) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's report on Form 8-K filed on July 11, 2018.
- (27) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's registration statement on Form N-2 Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 (File No. 333-218040) filed on July 12, 2018.
- (28) Previously filed in connection with New Mountain Finance Corporation's registration statement on Form N-2 Post-Effective Amendment No. 3 (File No. 333-218040) filed on August 20, 2018.

Item 26. Marketing Arrangements

The information contained under the heading "Plan of Distribution" in this Registration Statement is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 27. Other Expenses Of Issuance And Distribution

SEC registration fee	\$ 57,950*
FINRA filing fee	\$ 75,500**
New York Stock Exchange listing fee	\$ 130,000
Accounting fees and expenses	\$ 250,000
Legal fees and expenses	\$ 400,000
Printing and engraving	\$ 250,000
Miscellaneous fees and expenses	\$ 5,000
Total	<u>\$ 1,168,450</u>

Note: All listed amounts, except the SEC registration fee and the FINRA filing fee, are estimates.

* This amount has been offset against filing fees associated with unsold securities registered under a previous registration statement.

** \$18,819.47 of this amount has been offset against filing fees associated with unsold securities registered under a previous registration statement.

Item 28. Persons Controlled By Or Under Common Control

The following list sets forth each of our subsidiaries, the state under whose laws the subsidiary is organized and the voting securities owned by us, directly or indirectly, in such subsidiary:

New Mountain Finance Holdings, L.L.C. (Delaware)	100.0%
NMF Ancora Holdings, Inc. (Delaware)	100.0%
NMF QID NGL Holdings, Inc. (Delaware)	100.0%
NMF YP Holdings, Inc. (Delaware)	100.0%
New Mountain Finance Servicing, L.L.C. (Delaware)	100.0%
New Mountain Finance SBIC G.P., L.L.C. (Delaware)	100.0%
New Mountain Finance SBIC, L.P. (Delaware)	100.0%
New Mountain Finance SBIC II G.P., L.L.C. (Delaware)	100.0%
New Mountain Finance SBIC II, L.P. (Delaware)	100.0%

Each of our subsidiaries is consolidated for financial reporting purposes.

In addition, we may be deemed to control certain portfolio companies. See "Portfolio Companies" in the prospectus.

Item 29. Number Of Holders Of Securities

The following table sets forth the number of record holders of our common stock as of July 10, 2018.

<u>Title of Class</u>	<u>Number of Record Holders</u>
Common stock, \$0.01 par value	16

Item 30. Indemnification

Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law empowers a Delaware corporation to indemnify its officers and directors and specific other persons to the extent and under the circumstances set forth therein.

Section 102(b)(7) of the Delaware General Corporation Law allows a Delaware corporation to eliminate the personal liability of a director to the corporation or its stockholders for monetary damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liabilities arising (a) from any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its stockholders; (b) from acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (c) under Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law; or (d) from any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

Subject to the 1940 Act or any valid rule, regulation or order of the SEC thereunder, NMFC's amended and restated bylaws provide that it will indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened action, suit or proceeding whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director or officer of NMFC, or is or was serving at the request of NMFC as a director or officer of another corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, in accordance with provisions corresponding to Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. The 1940 Act provides that a company may not indemnify any director or officer against liability to it or its security holders to which he or she might otherwise be subject by reason of his or her willful misfeasance, bad faith, gross negligence or reckless disregard of the duties involved in the conduct of his or her office unless a determination is made by final decision of a court, by vote of a majority

of a quorum of directors who are disinterested, non-party directors or by independent legal counsel that the liability for which indemnification is sought did not arise out of the foregoing conduct. In addition, NMFC's amended and restated bylaws provide that the indemnification described therein is not exclusive and shall not exclude any other rights to which the person seeking to be indemnified may be entitled under statute, any bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or directors who are not interested persons, or otherwise, both as to action in his or her official capacity and to his or her action in another capacity while holding such office.

The above discussion of Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law and NMFC's amended and restated bylaws is not intended to be exhaustive and is respectively qualified in its entirety by such statute and NMFC's amended and restated bylaws.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission 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 again public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

The Registrant has obtained primary and excess insurance policies insuring our directors and officers against some liabilities they may incur in their capacity as directors and officers. Under such policies, the insurer, on the Registrant's behalf, may also pay amounts for which the Registrant has granted indemnification to the directors or officers.

The Investment Management Agreement provides that, absent willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of its duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of its duties and obligations, New Mountain Finance Advisers BDC, L.L.C., or the Investment Adviser, and its officers, managers, agents, employees, controlling persons, members (or their owners) and any other person or entity affiliated with it are entitled to indemnification from NMFC for any damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) arising from the rendering of the Investment Adviser's services under the Investment Management Agreement or otherwise as investment adviser of NMFC.

The Administration Agreement provides that, absent willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of their respective duties or by reason of the reckless disregard of their respective duties and obligations, New Mountain Finance Administration, L.L.C. and its officers, managers, agents, employees, controlling persons, members and any other person or entity affiliated with it are entitled to indemnification from the Registrant for any damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and amounts reasonably paid in settlement) arising from the rendering of services under the Administration Agreement or otherwise as administrator for the Registrant.

Item 31. Business And Other Connections Of Investment Adviser

A description of any other business, profession, vocation, or employment of a substantial nature in which the Investment Adviser, and each director or executive officer of the Investment Adviser, is or has been during the past two fiscal years, engaged in for his or her own account or in the capacity of director, officer, employee, partner or trustee, is set forth in Part A of this Registration

Statement in the sections entitled "Management — Biographical Information — Directors", "Portfolio Management — Investment Personnel", "Management — Biographical Information — Executive Officers Who Are Not Directors" and "Investment Management Agreement". Additional information regarding the Investment Adviser and its officers and directors is set forth in its Form ADV, as filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC File No. 801-71948), and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 32. Location Of Accounts And Records

All accounts, books and other documents required to be maintained by Section 31(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, and the rules thereunder are maintained at the offices of:

- (1) the Registrant, New Mountain Finance Corporation, 787 Seventh Avenue, 48th Floor, New York, New York 10019;
- (2) the Transfer Agent, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, 6201 15th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11219;
- (3) the Safekeeping Agent, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, 9062 Old Annapolis Road, Columbia, Maryland 21045;
- (4) the Custodian, U.S. Bank National Association, One Federal Street, 3rd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110;
- (5) the Investment Adviser, New Mountain Finance Advisers BDC, L.L.C., 787 Seventh Avenue, 48th Floor, New York, New York 10019; and
- (6) the Administrator, New Mountain Finance Administration, L.L.C., 787 Seventh Avenue, 48th Floor, New York, New York 10019.

Item 33. Management Services

Not Applicable.

Item 34. Undertakings

- (1) Registrant undertakes to suspend the offering of the shares of common stock covered hereby until it amends its prospectus contained herein if (a) subsequent to the effective date of this Registration Statement, its net asset value per share of common stock declines more than 10.0% from its net asset value per share of common stock as of the effective date of this Registration Statement, or (b) its net asset value per share of common stock increases to an amount greater than its net proceeds as stated in the prospectus contained herein.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Registrant undertakes in the event that the securities being registered are to be offered to existing stockholders pursuant to warrants or rights, and any securities not taken by shareholders are to be reoffered to the public, to supplement the prospectus, after the expiration of the subscription period, to set forth the results of the subscription offer, the transactions by the underwriters during the subscription period, the amount of unsubscribed securities to be purchased by underwriters, and the terms of any subsequent underwriting thereof. Registrant further undertakes that if any public offering by the underwriters of the securities being registered is to be made on terms differing from those set forth on the cover page of the prospectus, the Registrant shall file a post-effective amendment to set forth the terms of such offering.

- (4) The Registrant hereby undertakes:
- (a) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to the registration statement:
 - (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the 1933 Act;
 - (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events 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; 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 1933 Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered herein, and the offering of those securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof; and
 - (c) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering; and
 - (d) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the 1933 Act to any purchaser, if the Registrant is subject to Rule 430C: Each prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 497(b), (c), (d) or (e) under the 1933 Act as part of a registration statement relating to an offering, other than prospectuses filed in reliance on Rule 430A under the 1933 Act, 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 made in any such document immediately prior to such date of first use.
 - (e) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the Registrant under the 1933 Act to any purchaser in the initial distribution of securities, the undersigned Registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned Registrant 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 Registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to the purchaser:
 - (i) any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned Registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 497 under the 1933 Act;
 - (ii) the portion of any advertisement pursuant to Rule 482 under the 1933 Act relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned Registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned Registrant; and

- (iii) any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned Registrant to the purchaser.
 - (f) To file a post-effective amendment to the registration statement, and to suspend any offers or sales pursuant the registration statement until such post-effective amendment has been declared effective under the 1933 Act, in the event the shares of the Registrant is trading below its net asset value and either (i) Registrant receives, or has been advised by its independent registered accounting firm that it will receive, an audit report reflecting substantial doubt regarding the Registrant's ability to continue as a going concern or (ii) Registrant has concluded that a material adverse change has occurred in its financial position or results of operations that has caused the financial statements and other disclosures on the basis of which the offering would be made to be materially misleading.
 - (g) To not seek to sell shares under a prospectus supplement to the registration statement, or a post-effective amendment to the registration statement, of which the prospectus forms a part (the "current registration statement") if the cumulative dilution to the Registrant's net asset value ("NAV") per share arising from offerings from the effective date of the current registration statement through and including any follow-on offering would exceed 15% based on the anticipated pricing of such follow-on offering. This limit would be measured separately for each offering pursuant to the current registration statement by calculating the percentage dilution or accretion to aggregate NAV from that offering and then summing the anticipated percentage dilution from each subsequent offering. If the Registrant files a new post-effective amendment, the threshold would reset.
- (5) (a) For the purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of a registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in the form of prospectus filed by the Registrant under Rule 497 (h) under the Securities Act of 1933 shall be deemed to be part of the Registration Statement as of the time it was declared effective.
- (b) For the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each post-effective amendment that contains a form of prospectus shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of the securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (6) The Registrant undertakes to send by first class mail or other means designed to ensure equally prompt delivery within two business days of receipt of a written or oral request, any Statement of Additional Information.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 to the Registration Statement on Form N-2 to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of New York, in the State of New York, on the 25th day of September, 2018.

NEW MOUNTAIN FINANCE CORPORATION

By: /s/ ROBERT A. HAMWEE

Robert A. Hamwee
Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 to the Registration Statement on Form N-2 has been signed by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant, and in the capacities indicated, on the 25th day of September, 2018.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>
<u> /s/ ROBERT A. HAMWEE </u> Robert A. Hamwee	Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer) and Director
<u> /s/ SHIRAZ Y. KAJEE </u> Shiraz Y. Kajee	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer) and Treasurer
<u> * </u> Steven B. Klinsky	Chairman of the Board of Directors
<u> * </u> Adam B. Weinstein	Executive Vice President, Chief Administrative Officer and Director
<u> * </u> Alfred F. Hurley Jr.	Director
<u> * </u> Rome G. Arnold III	Director
<u> * </u> David Ogens	Director
<u> * </u> Kurt J. Wolfgruber	Director

* Signed by Robert A. Hamwee pursuant to a power of attorney signed by each individual and filed with this Registration Statement on May 16, 2017.

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Exhibit (d)(8)

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

between

NEW MOUNTAIN FINANCE CORPORATION

and

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

as Trustee

Dated as of September 25, 2018

THIS SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE (this “Second Supplemental Indenture”), dated as of September 25, 2018, is between NEW MOUNTAIN FINANCE CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (the “Company”), and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”). All capitalized terms used herein shall have the meaning set forth in the Base Indenture (as defined below).

RECITALS OF THE COMPANY

The Company and the Trustee executed and delivered an Indenture, dated as of August 20, 2018 (the “Base Indenture” and, as supplemented by this Second Supplemental Indenture, the “Indenture”), to provide, among other things, for the issuance, from time to time, of the Company’s unsecured debt securities, in an unlimited aggregate principal amount (the “Securities”), in one or more series to be established by the Company under, and authenticated and delivered as provided in, the Base Indenture.

The Company desires to issue and sell up to \$50,000,000 aggregate principal amount (or up to \$57,500,000 aggregate principal amount if the underwriters’ overallotment option to purchase additional Notes is exercised in full) of the Company’s 5.75% Notes due 2023 (the “Notes”).

The Company previously entered into the First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of August 20, 2018 (the “First Supplemental Indenture”), which supplemented the Base Indenture. The First Supplemental Indenture is not applicable to the Notes.

Sections 901(4) and 901(6) of the Base Indenture provide that without the consent of Holders of the Securities of any series issued under the Indenture, the Company, when authorized by or pursuant to a Board Resolution, and the Trustee, at any time and from time to time, may enter into one or more indentures supplemental to the Base Indenture to (i) change or eliminate any of the provisions of the Indenture when there is no Security Outstanding of any series created prior to the execution of the supplemental indenture that is entitled to the benefit of such provision and (ii) establish the form or terms of Securities of any series as permitted by Section 201 and Section 301 of the Base Indenture.

The Company desires to establish the form and terms of the Notes and to modify, alter, supplement and change certain provisions of the Base Indenture for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes (except as may be provided in a future supplemental indenture to the Indenture (each, a “Future Supplemental Indenture”).

The Company has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Second Supplemental Indenture to provide for the issuance of the Notes and all acts and things necessary to make this Second Supplemental Indenture a valid, binding, and legal obligation of the Company and to constitute a valid agreement of the Company, in accordance with its terms, have been done and performed.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the premises and the purchase of the Notes by the Holders thereof, it is mutually agreed, for the equal and proportionate benefit of all Holders of the Notes, as follows:

ARTICLE I TERMS OF THE NOTES

Section 1.01. Terms of the Notes. The following terms relating to the Notes are hereby established:

(a) The Notes shall constitute a series of Senior Securities having the title “5.75% Notes due 2023.” The Notes shall bear a CUSIP number of 647551 209 and an ISIN number of US6475512090, as may be supplemented or replaced from time to time.

(b) The aggregate principal amount of the Notes that may be initially authenticated and delivered under the Indenture (except for Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of, transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to Sections 304, 305, 306, 906, 1107 or 1305 of the Base Indenture, and except for any Securities that, pursuant to Section 303 of the Base Indenture, are deemed never to have been authenticated and delivered under the Indenture) shall be \$50,000,000 (or up to \$57,500,000 aggregate principal amount if the underwriters' overallotment option to purchase additional Notes is exercised in full). Under a Board Resolution, Officers' Certificate pursuant to Board Resolutions or an indenture supplement, the Company may from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of Notes, issue additional Notes (in any such case "Additional Notes") having the same ranking and the same interest rate, maturity and other terms as the Notes; provided that, if such Additional Notes are not fungible with the Notes (or any other tranche of Additional Notes) for U.S. federal income tax purposes, then such Additional Notes will have different CUSIP numbers from the Notes (and any such other tranche of Additional Notes). Any Additional Notes and the existing Notes will constitute a single series under the Indenture and all references to the relevant Notes herein shall include the Additional Notes unless the context otherwise requires.

(c) The entire outstanding principal of the Notes shall be payable on October 1, 2023, unless earlier redeemed or repurchased in accordance with the provisions of this Second Supplemental Indenture.

(d) The rate at which the Notes shall bear interest shall be 5.75% per annum. The date from which interest shall accrue on the Notes shall be September 25, 2018, or the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or provided for; the Interest Payment Dates for the Notes shall be January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1 of each year, commencing January 1, 2019 (if an Interest Payment Date falls on a day that is not a Business Day, then the applicable interest payment will be made on the next succeeding Business Day and no additional interest will accrue as a result of such delayed payment); the initial interest period will be the period from and including September 25, 2018, to, but excluding, the initial Interest Payment Date, and the subsequent interest periods will be the periods from and including an Interest Payment Date to, but excluding, the next Interest Payment Date or the Stated Maturity, as the case may be; the interest so payable, and punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date, will be paid to the Person in whose name the Note (or one or more Predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest, which shall be December 15, March 15, June 15 or September 15 (whether or not a Business Day), as the case may be, next preceding such Interest Payment Date. Payment of principal of (and premium, if any, on) and any such interest on the Notes will be made at the office of the Trustee located at 111 Fillmore Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55107, Attention: New Mountain Finance Corporation (5.75% Notes Due 2023) or at such other address as designated by the Trustee, in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts; *provided, however*, that at the option of the Company payment of interest may be made by check mailed to the address of the Person entitled thereto as such address shall appear in the Security Register; *provided, further, however*, that, at the request of the registered Holder, the Company will pay the principal of (and premium, if any, on) and interest, if any, on the Notes by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account at a bank in New York City, on the date when such amount is due and payable and as further set forth in Section 1001 of the Indenture; *provided, further, however*, that so long as the Notes are registered to Cede & Co., such payment will be made by wire transfer in accordance with the procedures established by The Depository Trust Company and the Trustee. Interest on the Notes will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

(e) The Notes shall be initially issuable in global form (each such Note, a "Global Note"). The Global Notes and the Trustee's certificate of authentication thereon shall be substantially in the form of Exhibit A to this Second Supplemental Indenture. Each Global Note shall represent the aggregate amount of the outstanding Notes as shall be specified therein and each shall provide that it shall represent the aggregate amount of outstanding Notes from time to time endorsed thereon and that the aggregate amount of outstanding Notes represented thereby may from time to time be reduced or increased, as appropriate, to reflect exchanges and redemptions. Any endorsement of a Global Note to reflect the amount of any increase or decrease in the amount of outstanding Notes represented thereby shall be made by the Trustee or the Security Registrar, in accordance with Sections 203 and 305 of the Base Indenture.

(f) The depository for such Global Notes (the "Depository") shall be The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York. The Security Registrar with respect to the Global Notes shall be the Trustee.

(g) The Notes shall be defeasible pursuant to Section 1402 or Section 1403 of the Base Indenture. Covenant defeasance contained in Section 1403 of the Base Indenture shall apply to the covenants contained in Sections 1007, 1008, 1009 and 1010 of the Indenture.

(h) The Notes shall be redeemable pursuant to Section 1101 of the Base Indenture and as follows:

(i) The Notes will be redeemable in whole or in part at any time or from time to time, at the option of the Company, on or after October 1, 2020, at a Redemption Price equal to 100% of the outstanding principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest payments otherwise payable for the then-current quarterly interest period accrued to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

(ii) Notice of redemption shall be given in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid or by overnight courier guaranteeing next-day delivery, to each Holder of the Notes to be redeemed, not less than thirty (30) nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the Redemption Date, at the Holder's address appearing in the Security Register. All notices of redemption shall contain the information set forth in Section 1104 of the Base Indenture.

(iii) Any exercise of the Company's option to redeem the Notes will be done in compliance with the Indenture and the Investment Company Act, to the extent applicable.

(iv) If the Company elects to redeem only a portion of the Notes, the Trustee or, with respect to the Global Notes, the Depository will determine the method for selecting the particular Notes to be redeemed, in accordance with Section 1103 of the Base Indenture and

the Investment Company Act and the rules of any national securities exchange or quotation system on which the Notes are listed, in each case to the extent applicable.

(v) Unless the Company defaults in payment of the Redemption Price, on and after the Redemption Date, interest will cease to accrue on the Notes called for redemption hereunder.

- (i) The Notes shall not be subject to any sinking fund pursuant to Section 1201 of the Base Indenture.
- (j) The Notes shall be issuable in denominations of \$25.00 and integral multiples of \$25.00 in excess thereof.
- (k) Holders of the Notes will not have the option to have the Notes repaid prior to the Stated Maturity.
- (l) The Notes are hereby designated as “Senior Securities” under the Indenture.

ARTICLE II

DEFINITIONS AND OTHER PROVISIONS OF GENERAL APPLICATION

Section 2.01. Except as may be provided in a Future Supplemental Indenture, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes but no other series of Securities under the Indenture, whether now or hereafter issued and Outstanding, Article One of the Base Indenture shall be amended by adding the following defined terms to Section 101 in appropriate alphabetical sequence, as follows:

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“Business Day” means any day, other than a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which the Federal Reserve Bank of New York or the Trustee is authorized or required by law or executive order to close or be closed.

“Capital Leases” means, at any time, a lease with respect to which the lessee is required concurrently to recognize the acquisition of an asset and the incurrence of a liability in accordance with GAAP.

“Debt to Equity Ratio” means the ratio of (a) the aggregate amount of senior securities representing indebtedness of the Company and its Subsidiaries (including under the Notes), in each case as determined pursuant to the Investment Company Act, and any orders of the Commission issued to or with respect to Company thereunder, including any exemptive relief granted by the Commission with respect to the indebtedness of any SBIC Subsidiary to (b) Shareholders’ Equity at the last day of the immediately preceding fiscal quarter of the Company.

“Exchange Act” means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and any statute successor thereto.

“GAAP” means generally accepted accounting principles as in effect from time to time in the United States of America.

“Governmental Authority” means

- (a) the government of
 - (i) the United States of America or any state or other political subdivision thereof, or
 - (ii) any other jurisdiction in which the Company or any Subsidiary conducts all or any part of its business, or which asserts jurisdiction over any properties of the Company or any Subsidiary, or
- (b) any entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions of, or pertaining to, any such government.

“Guaranty” means, with respect to any Person, any obligation (except the endorsement in the ordinary course of business of negotiable instruments for deposit or collection) of such Person guaranteeing or in effect guaranteeing any indebtedness, dividend or other obligation of any other Person in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, including (without limitation) obligations incurred through an agreement, contingent or otherwise, by such Person:

- (a) to purchase such indebtedness or obligation or any property constituting security therefor;
- (b) to advance or supply funds (i) for the purchase or payment of such indebtedness or obligation, or (ii) to maintain any working capital or other balance sheet condition or any income statement condition of any other Person or otherwise to advance or make available funds for the purchase or payment of such indebtedness or obligation;
- (c) to lease properties or to purchase properties or services primarily for the purpose of assuring the owner of such indebtedness or obligation of the ability of any other Person to make payment of the indebtedness or obligation; or
- (d) otherwise to assure the owner of such indebtedness or obligation against loss in respect thereof.

In any computation of the indebtedness or other liabilities of the obligor under any Guaranty, the indebtedness or other obligations that are the subject of such Guaranty shall be assumed to be direct obligations of such obligor.

“Indebtedness” with respect to any Person means, at any time, without duplication,

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- (a) its liabilities for borrowed money and its redemption obligations in respect of mandatorily redeemable Preferred Stock;
- (b) its liabilities for the deferred purchase price of property acquired by such Person (excluding accounts payable arising in the ordinary course of business but including all liabilities created or arising under any conditional sale or other title retention agreement with respect to any such property);
- (c) (i) all liabilities appearing on its balance sheet in accordance with GAAP in respect of Capital Leases and (ii) all liabilities which would appear on its balance sheet in accordance with GAAP in respect of Synthetic Leases assuming such Synthetic Leases were accounted for as Capital Leases;
- (d) all liabilities for borrowed money secured by any Lien with respect to any property owned by such Person (whether or not it has assumed or otherwise become liable for such liabilities);
- (e) all its liabilities in respect of letters of credit or instruments serving a similar function issued or accepted for its account by banks and other financial institutions (whether or not representing obligations for borrowed money);
- (f) the aggregate Swap Termination Value of all Swap Contracts of such Person; and
- (g) any Guaranty of such Person with respect to liabilities of a type described in any of clauses (a) through (f) hereof.

Indebtedness of any Person shall include all obligations of such Person of the character described in clauses (a) through (g) to the extent such Person remains legally liable in respect thereof notwithstanding that any such obligation is deemed to be extinguished under GAAP.

“Investment Company Act” means the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the rules, regulations and interpretations promulgated thereunder, to the extent applicable, and any statute successor thereto.

“Lien” means, with respect to any Person, any mortgage, lien, pledge, charge, security interest or other encumbrance, or any interest or title of any vendor, lessor, lender or other secured party to or of such Person under any conditional sale or other title retention agreement or Capital Lease, upon or with respect to any property or asset of such Person (including in the case of stock, stockholder agreements, voting trust agreements and all similar arrangements).

“Permitted SBIC Guaranty” means a guarantee by the Company of Indebtedness of an SBIC Subsidiary on the SBA’s then applicable form, provided that the recourse to the Company thereunder is expressly limited only to periods after the occurrence of an event or condition that is an impermissible change in the control of such SBIC Subsidiary.

“Person” means an individual, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, association, trust, unincorporated organization, business entity or Governmental Authority.

“Preferred Stock” means any class of capital stock of a Person that is preferred over any other class of capital stock (or similar equity interests) of such Person as to the payment of dividends or the payment of any amount upon liquidation or dissolution of such Person.

“SBA” means the United States Small Business Administration.

“SBIC Equity Commitment” means a commitment by the Company to make one or more capital contributions to an SBIC Subsidiary.

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“SBIC Subsidiary” means any direct or indirect Subsidiary (including such Subsidiary’s general partner or managing entity to the extent that the only material asset of such general partner or managing entity is its equity interest in the SBIC Subsidiary) of the Company licensed as a small business investment company under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, as amended, (or that has applied for such a license and is actively pursuing the granting thereof by appropriate proceedings promptly instituted and diligently conducted) and which is designated by the Company (as provided below) as an SBIC Subsidiary, so long as (a) no portion of the Indebtedness or any other obligations (contingent or otherwise) of such Subsidiary: (i) is guaranteed by the Company or any Subsidiary (other than a Permitted SBIC Guaranty), (ii) is recourse to or obligates the Company or any Subsidiary in any way (other than in respect of any SBIC Equity Commitment or Permitted SBIC Guaranty), or (iii) subjects any property of the Company or any Subsidiary, directly or indirectly, contingently or otherwise, to the satisfaction thereof, other than equity interests in any SBIC Subsidiary pledged to secure such Indebtedness, and (b) none of the Company or any Subsidiary has any obligation to maintain or preserve such Subsidiary’s financial condition or cause such entity to achieve certain levels of operating results. Any such designation by the Company shall be effected pursuant to a certificate of a Senior Financial Officer delivered to the Trustee, which certificate shall include a statement to the effect that, to the best of such officer’s knowledge, such designation complied with the foregoing conditions.

“Secured Debt” means Indebtedness of the Company and its Subsidiaries that are consolidated with the Company for purposes of GAAP (excluding any Indebtedness of any of the Company’s Subsidiaries which are SBIC Subsidiaries) outstanding at any time that is secured in any

manner by any Lien on assets of the Company or any such Subsidiaries.

“Secured Debt Ratio” means the ratio of (a) Secured Debt to (b) the aggregate amount of Indebtedness of the Company and its Subsidiaries that are consolidated with the Company for purposes of GAAP (including Indebtedness under the Notes and excluding any Indebtedness of any of the Company’s Subsidiaries which are SBIC Subsidiaries).

“Senior Financial Officer” means the chief financial officer, principal accounting officer, treasurer or comptroller of the Company.

“Shareholders Equity” means at any date, the amount determined on a consolidated basis, without duplication, in accordance with GAAP, of shareholders’ equity or net assets, as applicable, for the Company and its Subsidiaries at such date.

“Subsidiary” means, as to any Person, any other Person in which such first Person or one or more of its Subsidiaries or such first Person and one or more of its Subsidiaries owns sufficient equity or voting interests to enable it or them (as a group) ordinarily, in the absence of contingencies, to elect a majority of the directors (or Persons performing similar functions) of such second Person, and any partnership or joint venture if more than a 50% interest in the profits or capital thereof is owned by such first Person or one or more of its Subsidiaries or such first Person and one or more of its Subsidiaries (unless such partnership or joint venture can and does ordinarily take major business actions without the prior approval of such Person or one or more of its Subsidiaries). Unless the context otherwise clearly requires, any reference to a “Subsidiary” is a reference to a Subsidiary of the Company.

“Swap Contract” means (a) any and all interest rate swap transactions, basis swap transactions, basis swaps, credit derivative transactions, forward rate transactions, commodity swaps, commodity options, forward commodity contracts, equity or equity index swaps or options, bond or bond price or bond index swaps or options or forward foreign exchange transactions, cap transactions, floor transactions, currency options, spot contracts or any other similar transactions or any of the foregoing (including, without limitation, any options to enter into any of the foregoing), and (b) any and all transactions of any kind, and the related confirmations, which are subject to the terms and conditions of, or governed by, any form of master agreement published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. or any International Foreign Exchange Master Agreement.

“Swap Termination Value” means, in respect of any one or more Swap Contracts, after taking into account the effect of any legally enforceable netting agreement relating to such Swap Contracts, (a) for any date on or after the date such Swap Contracts have been closed out and termination value(s) determined in accordance therewith, such

termination value(s), and (b) for any date prior to the date referenced in clause (a), the amounts(s) determined as the mark-to-market values(s) for such Swap Contracts, as determined based upon one or more mid-market or other readily available quotations provided by any recognized dealer in such Swap Contracts.

“Synthetic Lease” means, at any time, any lease (including leases that may be terminated by the lessee at any time) of any property (a) that is accounted for as an operating lease under GAAP and (b) in respect of which the lessee retains or obtains ownership of the property so leased for U.S. federal income tax purposes, other than any such lease under which such Person is the lessor.

Section 2.02. Except as may be provided in a Future Supplemental Indenture, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes but no other series of Securities under the Indenture, whether now or hereafter issued and Outstanding, Section 104 of the Base Indenture shall be amended by replacing clause (d) thereof with the following:

“(d) If the Company shall solicit from the Holders of Registered Securities any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other Act, the Company may, at its option, in or pursuant to a Board Resolution, fix in advance a record date for the determination of Holders entitled to give such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other Act, but the Company shall have no obligation to do so. Such record date shall be the record date specified in or pursuant to such Board Resolution, which date shall be a date not earlier than the date 30 days prior to the first solicitation of Holders generally in connection therewith and not later than the date such solicitation is completed. If such a record date is fixed, such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other Act may be given before or after such record date, but only the Holders of record at the close of business on such record date shall be deemed to be Holders for the purposes of determining whether Holders of the requisite proportion of Outstanding Securities have authorized or agreed or consented to such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other Act, and for that purpose the Outstanding Securities shall be computed as of such record date; provided that no such authorization, agreement or consent by the Holders on such record date shall be deemed effective unless it shall become effective pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture not later than eleven months after the record date.”

ARTICLE III REMEDIES

Section 3.01. Except as may be provided in a Future Supplemental Indenture, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes but no other series of Securities under the Indenture, whether now or hereafter issued and Outstanding, Section 502 of the Base Indenture shall be amended by replacing the first paragraph thereof with the following:

“If an Event of Default (other than an Event of Default referred to in clause (5) or (6) of Section 501) with respect to Securities of any series at the time Outstanding occurs and is continuing, then and in every such case the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of that series may (and the Trustee shall at the request of such Holders) declare the principal (or, if any Securities are Original Issue Discount Securities or Indexed Securities, such portion of the principal as may be specified in the terms thereof) of all

the Securities of that series to be due and payable immediately, by a notice in writing to the Company (and to the Trustee if given by the Holders), and upon any such declaration such principal or specified portion thereof shall become immediately due and payable. If an Event of Default referred to in clause (5) or (6) of Section 501 with respect to the Company has occurred, the entire principal amount of all of the Notes shall automatically become due and immediately payable.”

ARTICLE IV

COVENANTS

Section 4.01. Except as may be provided in a Future Supplemental Indenture, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes but no other series of Securities under the Indenture, whether now or hereafter issued and Outstanding, Article Ten of the Base Indenture shall be amended by adding the following new Sections 1007, 1008, 1009 and 1010 thereto, each as set forth below:

“Section 1007. Section 18(a)(1)(A) of the Investment Company Act.

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The Company hereby agrees that for the period of time during which Notes are Outstanding, the Company will not violate Section 18(a)(1) (A) as modified by such provisions of Section 61(a) of the Investment Company Act as may be applicable to the Company from time to time or any successor provisions thereto, whether or not the Company continues to be subject to such provisions of the Investment Company Act, but giving effect, in either case, to any exemptive relief granted to the Company by the Commission.”

“Section 1008. Debt to Equity Ratio.

Immediately after the issuance of any senior security representing indebtedness (as determined pursuant to the Investment Company Act), and after giving pro forma effect thereto and the application of the proceeds thereof, the Company shall not permit the Debt to Equity Ratio to be greater than 1.65 to 1.00.”

“Section 1009. Maximum Secured Debt.

The Company shall not permit the Secured Debt Ratio at any time to exceed 0.70 to 1.00.”

“Section 1010. Commission Reports and Reports to Holders.

If, at any time, the Company is not subject to the reporting requirements of Sections 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act to file any periodic reports with the Commission, the Company agrees to furnish to the Holders of the Notes and the Trustee for the period of time during which the Notes are Outstanding: (i) within 90 days after the end of the each fiscal year of the Company, audited annual consolidated financial statements of the Company and (ii) within 45 days after the end of each fiscal quarter of the Company (other than the Company’s fourth fiscal quarter), unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of the Company. All such financial statements shall be prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with GAAP.”

ARTICLE V

REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES

Section 5.01. Except as may be provided in a Future Supplemental Indenture, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes but no other series of Securities under the Indenture, whether now or hereafter issued and Outstanding, Section 1103 of the Base Indenture shall be amended by replacing the first paragraph thereof with the following:

“If less than all the Securities of any series issued on the same day with the same terms are to be redeemed, the particular Securities to be redeemed shall be selected by the Trustee, or by the Depositary in the case of global Securities, in compliance with the requirements of DTC, from the Outstanding Securities of such series issued on such date with the same terms not previously called for redemption, in compliance with the requirements of the principal national securities exchange on which the Securities are listed (if the Securities are listed on any national securities exchange), or if the Securities are not held through DTC or listed on any national securities exchange, or DTC prescribed no method of selection, by such method as the Trustee shall deem fair and appropriate and subject to and otherwise in accordance with the procedures of the applicable Depositary; provided that such method complies with the rules of any national securities exchange or quotation system on which the Securities are listed, and may provide for the selection for redemption of portions (equal to the minimum authorized denomination for Securities of that series or any integral multiple thereof) of the principal amount of Securities of such series of a denomination larger than the minimum authorized denomination for Securities of that series; provided, however, that no such partial redemption shall reduce the portion of the principal amount of a Security not redeemed to less than the minimum authorized denomination for Securities of such series.”

ARTICLE VI

PAYMENT

Section 6.01. Except as may be provided in a Future Supplemental Indenture, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes but no other series of Securities under the Indenture, whether now or hereafter issued and Outstanding, Section 1001 of the Base Indenture shall be amended by adding the following at the end of such Section:

“Alternatively, at the request of the registered Holder, the Company will pay the principal of (and premium, if any, on) and interest, if any, on the Notes by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account at a bank in New York City, on the date when such amount is due and payable. To request payment by wire transfer, the registered Holder must give the Paying Agent appropriate transfer instructions at least 15 Business Days before the requested payment is due. In the case of any interest payment due on an Interest Payment Date, the instructions must be given by the person who is the registered Holder on the relevant Regular Record Date. Any wire instructions, once properly given, will remain in effect unless and until new instructions are given in accordance with this Section.”

ARTICLE VII MEETINGS OF HOLDERS OF SECURITIES

Section 7.01. Except as may be provided in a Future Supplemental Indenture, for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes but no other series of Securities under the Indenture, whether now or hereafter issued and Outstanding, Section 1505 of the Base Indenture shall be amended by replacing clause (c) thereof with the following:

“(c) At any meeting of Holders, each Holder of a Security of such series or proxy shall be entitled to one vote for each \$25.00 principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series held or represented by such Holder; provided, however, that no vote shall be cast or counted at any meeting in respect of any Security challenged as not Outstanding and ruled by the chairman of the meeting to be not Outstanding. The chairman of the meeting shall have no right to vote, except as a Holder of a Security of such series or proxy.”

ARTICLE VIII MISCELLANEOUS

Section 8.01. This Second Supplemental Indenture and the Notes shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of the State of New York, without regard to principles of conflicts of laws. This Second Supplemental Indenture is subject to the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act that are required to be part of the Indenture and shall, to the extent applicable, be governed by such provisions.

Section 8.02. In case any provision in this Second Supplemental Indenture or in the Notes shall be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

Section 8.03. This Second Supplemental Indenture may be executed in counterparts, each of which will be an original, but such counterparts will together constitute but one and the same Second Supplemental Indenture. The exchange of copies of this Second Supplemental Indenture and of signature pages by facsimile, .pdf transmission, email or other electronic means shall constitute effective execution and delivery of this Second Supplemental Indenture for all purposes. Signatures of the parties hereto transmitted by facsimile, .pdf transmission, email or other electronic means shall be deemed to be their original signatures for all purposes.

Section 8.04. The Base Indenture, as supplemented and amended by this Second Supplemental Indenture, is in all respects ratified and confirmed, and the Base Indenture and this Second Supplemental Indenture shall be read, taken and construed as one and the same instrument with respect to the Notes. All provisions included in this Second Supplemental Indenture supersede any conflicting provisions included in the Base Indenture with respect to the Notes, unless not permitted by law. The Trustee accepts the trusts created by the Base Indenture, as supplemented by this Second Supplemental Indenture, and agrees to perform the same upon the terms and conditions of the Base Indenture, as supplemented by this Second Supplemental Indenture.

Section 8.05. The provisions of this Second Supplemental Indenture shall become effective as of the date hereof.

Section 8.06. Notwithstanding anything else to the contrary herein, the terms and provisions of this Second Supplemental Indenture shall apply only to the Notes and shall not apply to any other series of Securities under the Indenture and this Second Supplemental Indenture shall not and does not otherwise affect, modify, alter, supplement

or change the terms and provisions of any other series of Securities under the Indenture, whether now or hereafter issued and Outstanding.

Section 8.07. The recitals contained herein and in the Notes shall be taken as the statements of the Company, and the Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representations as to the validity or sufficiency of this Second Supplemental Indenture, the Notes or any Additional Notes, except that the Trustee represents that it is duly authorized to execute and deliver this Second Supplemental Indenture, authenticate the Notes and any Additional Notes and perform its obligations hereunder. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Company of the Notes or any Additional Notes or the proceeds thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Second Supplemental Indenture to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.

By: /s/ Shiraz Y. Kajee
Name: Shiraz Y. Kajee
Title: Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

By: /s/ Karen R. Beard
Name: Karen R. Beard
Title: Vice President

[Signature page to Second Supplemental Indenture]

Exhibit A — Form of Global Note

This Security is a Global Security within the meaning of the Indenture hereinafter referred to and is registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company or a nominee thereof. This Security may not be exchanged in whole or in part for a Security registered, and no transfer of this Security in whole or in part may be registered, in the name of any Person other than The Depository Trust Company or a nominee thereof, except in the limited circumstances described in the Indenture.

Unless this certificate is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company to the issuer or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange or payment and such certificate issued in exchange for this certificate is registered in the name of Cede & Co., or such other name as requested by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, any transfer, pledge or other use hereof for value or otherwise by or to any person is wrongful, as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.

New Mountain Finance Corporation

No. \$
CUSIP No. 647551 209
ISIN No. US6475512090

5.75% Notes due 2023

New Mountain Finance Corporation, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Delaware (herein called the “Company,” which term includes any successor Person under the Indenture hereinafter referred to), for value received, hereby promises to pay to Cede & Co., or registered assigns, the principal sum of (U.S.) on October 1, 2023, and to pay interest thereon from September 25, 2018, or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, quarterly on January 1, April 1, July 1 and October 1, commencing January 1, 2019, at the rate of 5.75% per annum, until the principal hereof is paid or made available for payment. The interest so payable, and punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date will, as provided in such Indenture, be paid to the Person in whose name this Security is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest, which shall be December 15, March 15, June 15 or September 15 (whether or not a Business Day), as the case may be, next preceding such Interest Payment Date. Any such interest not so punctually paid or duly provided for will forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on such Regular Record Date and may either be paid to the Person in whose name this Security is registered at the close of business on a Special Record Date for the payment of such Defaulted Interest to be fixed by the Trustee, notice whereof shall be given to Holders of Securities of this series not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date, or be paid at any time in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which the Securities of this series may be listed, and upon such notice as may be required by such exchange, all as more fully provided in said Indenture. This Security may be issued as part of a series.

Payment of the principal of (and premium, if any, on) and any such interest on this Security will be made at the office of the Trustee located at 111 Fillmore Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55107, Attention: NEW MOUNTAIN FINANCE CORPORATION (5.75% Notes Due 2023) or at such other address as designated by the Trustee, in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is legal tender for payment of public and private debts; provided, however, that at the option of the Company payment of interest may be made by check mailed to the address of the Person entitled thereto as such address shall appear in the Security Register; *provided, further, however*, that, at the request of the registered Holder, the Company will pay the principal of (and premium, if any, on) and interest, if any, on the Securities by wire transfer of immediately available funds to an account at a bank in New York City, on the date when such amount is due and payable and as further set forth in Section 1001 of the Indenture; *provided, further, however*, that so long as this Security is registered to Cede & Co., such payment will be made by wire transfer in accordance with the procedures established by The Depository Trust Company and the Trustee.

Unless the certificate of authentication hereon has been executed by the Trustee referred to on the reverse hereof by manual signature, this Security shall not be entitled to any benefit under the Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this instrument to be duly executed.

Dated:

NEW MOUNTAIN FINANCE CORPORATION

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

Attest:

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

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This is one of the Securities of the series designated therein referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

Dated: _____

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

By: _____
Authorized Signatory

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New Mountain Finance Corporation

5.75% Notes due 2023

This Security is one of a duly authorized issue of Senior Securities of the Company (herein called the "Securities"), issued and to be issued in one or more series under an Indenture, dated as of August 20, 2018 (herein called the "Base Indenture", which term shall have the meaning assigned to it in such instrument), between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee (herein called the "Trustee", which term includes any successor trustee under the Base Indenture), and reference is hereby made to the Base Indenture for a statement of the respective rights, limitations of rights, duties and immunities thereunder of the Company, the Trustee, and the Holders of the Securities and of the terms upon which the Securities are, and are to be, authenticated and delivered, as amended and supplemented by the Second Supplemental Indenture relating to the Securities, dated as of September 25, 2018, by and between the Company and the Trustee (herein called the "Second Supplemental Indenture"; the Second Supplemental Indenture, together with the Base Indenture, collectively are herein called the "Indenture"). In the event of any conflict between the Base Indenture and the Second Supplemental Indenture, the Second Supplemental Indenture shall govern and control.

This Security is one of the series designated on the face hereof, which series is initially limited in aggregate principal amount to \$ _____ (or up to \$ _____ in aggregate principal amount if the underwriters' overallotment option to purchase additional Securities is exercised in full). Under a Board Resolution, Officers' Certificate pursuant to Board Resolutions or an indenture supplement, the Company may from time to time, without the consent of the Holders of Securities, issue additional Securities of this series (in any such case "Additional Securities") having the same ranking and the same interest rate, maturity and other terms as the Securities; provided that, if such Additional Securities are not fungible with the Securities (or any other tranche of Additional Securities for U.S. federal income tax purposes, then such Additional Securities will have a different CUSIP numbers from the Securities (and any such other tranche of Additional Securities). Any Additional Securities and the existing Securities will constitute a single series under the Indenture and all references to the relevant Securities herein shall include the Additional Securities unless the context otherwise requires. The aggregate amount of outstanding Securities represented hereby may from time to time be reduced or increased, as appropriate, to reflect exchanges and redemptions.

The Securities of this series are subject to redemption in whole or in part at any time or from time to time, at the option of the Company, on or after October 1, 2020, at a Redemption Price per Security equal to 100% of the outstanding principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest payments otherwise payable for the then-current quarterly interest period accrued to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

Notice of redemption shall be given in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid or by overnight courier guaranteeing next-day delivery, to each Holder of the Securities to be redeemed, not less than thirty (30) nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the Redemption Date, at the Holder's

address appearing in the Security Register. All notices of redemption shall contain the information set forth in Section 1104 of the Base Indenture.

Any exercise of the Company's option to redeem the Securities will be done in compliance with the Indenture and the Investment Company Act, to the extent applicable.

If the Company elects to redeem only a portion of the Securities, the Trustee or, with respect to global Securities, the Depository will determine the method for selecting the particular Securities to be redeemed, in accordance with Section 1.01 of the Second Supplemental Indenture, Section 1103 of the Base Indenture and the Investment Company Act, to the extent applicable. In the event of redemption of this Security in part only, a new Security or Securities of this series and of like tenor for the unredeemed portion hereof will be issued in the name of the Holder hereof upon the cancellation hereof.

Unless the Company defaults in payment of the Redemption Price, on and after the Redemption Date, interest will cease to accrue on the Securities called for redemption.

Holders of Securities do not have the option to have the Securities repaid prior to October 1, 2023.

The Indenture contains provisions for defeasance at any time of the entire indebtedness of this Security or certain restrictive covenants and Events of Default with respect to this Security, in each case upon compliance with certain conditions set forth in the Indenture.

If an Event of Default (other than an Event of Default referred to in clause (5) or (6) of Section 501 of the Base Indenture) with respect to Securities of this series shall occur and be continuing, the principal of the Securities of this series may be declared due and payable in the manner and with the effect provided in the Indenture. If an Event of Default referred to in clause (5) or (6) of Section 501 of the Base Indenture with respect to the Company has occurred, the entire principal amount of all of the Securities shall automatically become due and immediately payable.

The Indenture permits, with certain exceptions as therein provided, the amendment thereof and the modification of the rights and obligations of the Company and the rights of the Holders of the Securities of each series to be affected under the Indenture at any time by the Company and the Trustee with the consent of the Holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the Securities at the time Outstanding of each series to be affected. The Indenture also contains provisions permitting the Holders of specified percentages in principal amount of the Securities of each series at the time Outstanding, on behalf of the Holders of all Securities of such series, to waive compliance by the Company with certain provisions of the Indenture and certain past defaults under the Indenture and their consequences. Any such consent or waiver by the Holder of this Security shall be conclusive and binding upon such Holder and upon all future Holders of this Security and of any Security issued upon the registration of transfer hereof or in exchange herefor or in lieu hereof, whether or not notation of such consent or waiver is made upon this Security.

As provided in and subject to the provisions of the Indenture, the Holder of this Security shall not have the right to institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee or for any other remedy thereunder, unless such Holder shall have previously given the Trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default with respect to the Securities of this series, the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of the Securities of this series at the time Outstanding shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute proceedings in respect of such Event of Default as Trustee and offered the Trustee indemnity, security or both reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with such request, and the Trustee shall not have received from the Holders of a majority in principal amount of Securities of this series at the time Outstanding a direction inconsistent with such request, and shall have failed to institute any such proceeding, for sixty (60) days after receipt of such notice, request and offer of indemnity and/or security. The foregoing shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Holder of this Security for the enforcement of any payment of principal hereof or any premium or interest hereon on or after the respective due dates expressed herein.

No reference herein to the Indenture and no provision of this Security or of the Indenture shall alter or impair the obligation of the Company, which is absolute and unconditional, to pay the principal of and any premium and interest on this Security at the times, place and rate, and in the coin or currency, herein prescribed.

As provided in the Indenture and subject to certain limitations therein set forth, the transfer of this Security is registrable in the Security Register, upon surrender of this Security for registration of transfer at the office or agency of the Company in any place where the principal of and any premium and interest on this Security are payable, duly endorsed by, or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Company and the Security Registrar duly executed by, the Holder hereof or his attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon one

or more new Securities of this series and of like tenor, of authorized denominations and for the same aggregate principal amount, will be issued to the designated transferee or transferees.

The Securities of this series are issuable only in registered form without coupons in denominations of \$25.00 and any integral multiples of \$25.00 in excess thereof. As provided in the Indenture and subject to certain limitations therein set forth, Securities of this series are exchangeable for a like aggregate principal amount of Securities of this series and of like tenor of a different authorized denomination, as requested by the Holder surrendering the same.

No service charge shall be made for any such registration of transfer or exchange, but the Company, the Trustee, or the Security Registrar may

require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Prior to due presentment of this Security for registration of transfer, the Company, the Trustee, or the Security Registrar and any agent of the Company, the Trustee, or the Security Registrar shall treat the Person in whose name this Security is registered as the owner hereof for all purposes, whether or not this Security be overdue, and none of the Company, the Trustee, the Security Registrar, or any agent thereof shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

All terms used in this Security which are defined in the Indenture shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture.

To the extent any provision of this Security conflicts with the express provisions of the Indenture, the provisions of the Indenture shall govern and be controlling.

The Indenture and this Security shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, without regard to principles of conflicts of laws.

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Exhibit (h)(3)

New Mountain Finance Corporation

5.75% Notes due 2023

Underwriting Agreement

September 20, 2018

Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc.

As representative (the "Representative") of the several Underwriters named in Schedule I hereto

c/o Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc.
787 7th Avenue
Fourth Floor
New York, New York 10019
Attn: Capital Markets

Ladies and Gentlemen:

New Mountain Finance Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), proposes, subject to the terms and conditions stated herein, to issue and sell to the Underwriters named in Schedule I hereto (the "Underwriters") an aggregate of \$50,000,000 principal amount of 5.75% Notes due 2023 of the Company (the "Firm Notes"). In addition, the Company proposes to sell, at the election of the Representatives, up to an additional \$7,500,000 in aggregate principal amount of 5.75% Notes due 2023 (the "Optional Notes"). The Firm Notes and the Optional Notes are herein referred to collectively as the "Notes."

On May 19, 2011, the Company filed a Form N-54A Notification of Election to be Subject to Sections 55 through 65 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (File No. 814-00832) (the "Notification of Election") with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (collectively, the "Investment Company Act"), pursuant to which the Company elected to be regulated as a business development company ("BDC").

The Company has elected to be treated, and intends to qualify annually, as a regulated investment company ("RIC") (within the meaning of Section 851(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code")), commencing with its taxable year ending on December 31, 2011.

The Company has entered into an investment advisory and management agreement, dated as of May 8, 2014 (the "Investment Management Agreement"), with New Mountain Finance Advisers BDC, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company (the "Adviser"), which has registered as an investment adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (the "Advisers Act").

The Company has entered into a Second Amended and Restated Administration Agreement, dated as of May 5, 2015 (the

“Administration Agreement”), with New Mountain Finance Administration, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company (the “Administrator”).

The Company has entered into a trademark license agreement, dated as of May 19, 2011, as amended by Amendment No. 1, dated November 8, 2011 (the “License Agreement”), with New Mountain Capital, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company (“New Mountain”).

The Company has entered into a custody agreement with U.S. Bank National Association, dated March 31, 2014 (the “Custody Agreement”).

The Company entered into the Second Amended and Restated Limited Liability Company of New Mountain Finance Holdings, L.L.C. (“NMFH LLC”), dated May 8, 2014 (the “NMFH LLC Agreement”).

For purposes of this Underwriting Agreement (this “Agreement”), the Investment Management Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the License Agreement, the Custody Agreement and the NMFH LLC Agreement are collectively referred to as the “Company Agreements.”

1. The Company represents and warrants to and agrees with each of the Underwriters, and the Adviser and the Administrator, jointly and severally, represent and warrant to and agree with each of the Underwriters, that:

(a) A registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-218040) (as amended as of its effective date on July 13, 2018, the “Initial Registration Statement”) in respect of the Notes has been filed with the Commission; the Company is eligible to use Form N-2; the Initial Registration Statement and any post-effective amendment thereto, each in the form heretofore delivered to you, and, excluding exhibits thereto, to each of the other Underwriters, have become effective or been declared effective by the Commission in such form; other than a registration statement, if any, increasing the size of the offering (a “Rule 462(b) Registration Statement”), filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (together with the rules and regulations thereunder, the “Act”), which became effective upon filing, no other post-effective amendment to the Initial Registration Statement has heretofore been filed with the Commission and not become effective; and no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Initial Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto or the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, if any, has been issued and no proceeding for that purpose has been initiated or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened by the Commission (the base prospectus included in the Initial Registration Statement as of its effective date on July 13, 2018, is hereinafter called the “Base Prospectus”; the preliminary prospectus supplement, dated September 20, 2018, relating to the Notes filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 497 of the rules and regulations of the Commission under the Act, together with the Base Prospectus, is hereinafter called the “Pricing Prospectus”; the various parts of the Initial Registration Statement and the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, if any, including all exhibits thereto and including the information contained in the form of final prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 497 under the Act in accordance with Section 6(A)(a) hereof and deemed by virtue of Rule 430C under the Act to be part of the Initial Registration Statement at the time it was declared effective, each as amended at the time such part of the Initial Registration Statement became effective or such part of the Rule 462 (b) Registration Statement, if any, became or hereafter becomes effective, are hereinafter collectively called the “Registration Statement”; and the Base Prospectus, together with the prospectus supplement, to be dated September 20, 2018, to be filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 497 under the Act in accordance with Section 6(A)(a) hereof and in the form first used by the Underwriters to confirm sales of the Notes, is hereinafter called the “Prospectus”; any reference to any amendment or supplement to the Base Prospectus, the Pricing Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include any post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement and any prospectus supplement relating to the Notes filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 497 under the Act, in each case after the date of the Base Prospectus, the Pricing Prospectus or the Prospectus, as the case may be;

(b) No order preventing or suspending the use of the Pricing Prospectus has been issued by the Commission, and the Pricing Prospectus, at the time of filing thereof, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder, and did not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with the Underwriter Information (as defined below);

(c) For the purposes of this Agreement, the “Applicable Time” is 4:40 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the date of this Agreement. The Pricing Prospectus as supplemented by the information set forth in Schedule III hereto, taken together (collectively, the “Disclosure Package”), as of the Applicable Time, did not include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; and each Additional Disclosure Item (as defined in Section 8 hereof) listed in Schedule II(a) hereto, if any, does not conflict in any material respect with the information contained in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus or the Prospectus and each

such Additional Disclosure Item, as supplemented by and taken together with the Disclosure Package as of the Applicable Time, did not include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to statements or omissions made in the Disclosure Package in reliance upon and in conformity with the Underwriter Information; there are no contracts or agreements that are required to be described in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus, or the Prospectus, or to be filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement, that have not been so described and filed as required;

(d) The Registration Statement conforms, and the Pricing Prospectus and the Prospectus, and any further amendments or supplements

to the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus and the Prospectus will conform, in all material respects to the requirements of the Act and do not and will not, as of the applicable effective date of the Initial Registration Statement and each post-effective amendment thereto, as of the Applicable Time as to the Pricing Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto and as of the applicable filing date as to the Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto, contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; provided, however, that this representation and warranty shall not apply to any statements or omissions made in reliance upon and in conformity with the Underwriter Information;

(e) Since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement and the Disclosure Package, there has not been any change in the capital stock or long-term debt of the Company or any material adverse change, or any development involving a prospective material adverse change, in or affecting the general affairs, management, financial position, stockholders' equity or results of operations of the Company (any such change or development is hereinafter referred to as a "Material Adverse Change"), otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Disclosure Package;

(f) The Company has good and marketable title in fee simple to, or has valid rights to lease or otherwise use, all material real property and good and marketable title to all material personal property owned by it free and clear of all liens, encumbrances and defects except (i) such liens, encumbrances or defects as are described in the Disclosure Package or (ii) such as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change; the Company owns, leases or has access to all material properties and other assets that are necessary to the conduct of its business as described in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus;

(g) The Company has been duly incorporated and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with power and authority to own its properties and conduct its business as described in the Disclosure Package and to enter into and perform its obligations under this Agreement and each of the Company Agreements, and has been duly qualified as a foreign corporation for the transaction of business and is in good standing under the laws of each other jurisdiction in which it owns or leases properties or conducts any business so as to require such qualification, except where the failure to be so qualified in any such jurisdiction would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change;

(h) The Company has an authorized capitalization as set forth in the Disclosure Package under the caption "Capitalization;" all of the issued shares of capital stock of the Company have been duly and validly authorized and issued and are fully paid and non-assessable;

(i) The Notes to be issued and sold to the Underwriters hereunder have been duly and validly authorized and, when issued and delivered against payment therefor as provided herein, will be duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company entitled to the benefits provided by the indenture, dated as of August 20, 2018 (the "Base Indenture"), between the Company and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), and the second supplemental indenture, to be dated as of September 25, 2018 (the "Second Supplemental Indenture" and, together with the Base Indenture, the "Indenture"), between the Company and the Trustee, under which they are to be issued; the Base Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and the Second Supplemental Indenture has been duly authorized by the Company and, when executed and delivered by the Company and the

Trustee, the Indenture will constitute a valid and legally binding instrument, enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, fraudulent conveyance, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, and other laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a proceeding in equity or at law) and entitled to the benefits provided by the Indenture; and the Notes and the Indenture will conform in all material respects to the descriptions thereof contained in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and the offer and sale of the Notes as contemplated hereby has been duly approved by all necessary corporate action; and, except as otherwise set forth in the Pricing Prospectus and the Prospectus, the issuance of the Notes is not subject to any pre-emptive, co-sale right, rights of first refusal or other similar rights of any security holder of the Company or any other person; the Indenture has been duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended;

(j) The Notes will be issued to Cede & Co. as nominee of the Depository Trust Company ("DTC") pursuant to a blanket letter of representations (the "DTC Agreement"), dated May 29, 2014, between the Company and DTC.

(k) The Company does not own, directly or indirectly, any shares of stock, membership interests or any other equity or long-term debt securities of any corporation or other entity other than (i) as described in the Pricing Prospectus under the caption "Prospectus Supplement Summary," (ii) the corporations or other entities (a) listed in the Consolidated Schedule of Investments as of June 30, 2018 in the Pricing Prospectus and (b) that the Company acquired since June 30, 2018 and that will be listed in the Company's Consolidated Schedule of Investments as of September 30, 2018 (each a "Portfolio Company" and collectively, the "Portfolio Companies") and (iii) the subsidiaries described in Section 1 (tt) in this Agreement. Other than the Company's investments in UniTek Global Services, Inc., NM APP CANADA CORP., NM APP US LLC, NM CLFX LP, NM DRVT LLC, NM JRA LLC, NM GLCR LLC, NM KRLN LLC, NM NL Holdings, L.P., Edmentum Ultimate Holdings, LLC, Edmentum, Inc., NMFC Senior Loan Program II LLC and NMFC Senior Loan Program III LLC, the Company does not control (as such term is defined in Section 2(a)(9) of the Investment Company Act) any of the Portfolio Companies;

(l) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company; each of the Company Agreements has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company, and constitute valid, binding and enforceable agreements of the Company, subject, as to enforcement, to applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally; and the Investment Management Agreement has been approved by the Company's board of directors and shareholders in accordance with Section 15 of the Investment Company Act and contains the applicable provisions required by Section 205 of the Advisers Act and Section 15 of the Investment Company Act;

(m) The DTC Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and constitutes a valid, binding and enforceable agreement of the Company, subject, as to enforcement, to applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally;

(n) None of the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the DTC Agreement or any of the Company Agreements, or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, will (i) conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Company is a party or by which the Company is bound or to which any of its properties or assets are subject, (ii) result in any violation of the provisions of the certificate of incorporation or the bylaws of the Company or (iii) result in a violation of any statute or any order, rule or regulation of any court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its properties after giving effect to any consents, approvals, authorizations, orders, registrations, qualifications and waivers as have been obtained or made as of the date of this Agreement, except, with respect to clause (i), to the extent that any such conflict, breach or violation would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change; and no consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any such court or governmental agency or body is required for the execution, delivery or performance of any of this Agreement, the DTC Agreement or the Company Agreements, or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, except the registration under the Act of the Notes, such consents, approvals, authorizations, orders, registrations or qualifications as may be required under state securities or Blue

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Sky laws in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Notes by the Underwriters and such consents, approvals, authorization, orders, registrations or qualifications which have been obtained or effected;

(o) The Company is not (i) in violation of its organizational documents, including its certificate of incorporation and bylaws, or (ii) in default in the performance or observance of any obligation, agreement, covenant or condition contained in any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it or any of its properties may be bound, except, with respect to clause (ii), to the extent that any such default would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change;

(p) The statements set forth in the Pricing Prospectus and the Prospectus under the caption "Description of the Notes," insofar as they purport to constitute a summary of the terms of the Notes, and under the captions "Investment Management Agreement," "Administration Agreement," "License Agreement," and "Regulation," insofar as they purport to describe the provisions of the laws and documents referred to therein, are accurate, complete and fair summaries in all material respects; the statements set forth in the Pricing Prospectus and the Prospectus under the caption "Material Federal Income Tax Considerations," insofar as they purport to summarize certain provisions of the United States federal income tax law and regulations, or legal conclusions with respect thereto, fairly present such laws and regulations and are accurate summaries in all material respects;

(q) The Company is not and, after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Notes and the application of the proceeds thereof, will not be required to register as an "investment company," as such term is used in the Investment Company Act;

(r) Other than as set forth in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, there are no legal or governmental proceedings pending to which the Company is a party or of which any property of the Company is the subject which, would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change; and, to the Company's knowledge, no such proceedings are threatened or contemplated by governmental authorities or threatened by others;

(s) The Company has duly elected to be regulated by the Commission as a BDC under the Investment Company Act, and no order of suspension or revocation has been issued or proceedings therefor initiated or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened by the Commission. Such election is effective and has not been withdrawn and the provisions of the Company's amended and restated certificate of incorporation and amended and restated bylaws, and compliance by the Company with the investment objectives, policies and restrictions described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus will not conflict with the provisions of the Investment Company Act applicable to the Company;

(t) Deloitte & Touche LLP, who has certified certain financial statements of the Company, is an independent registered public accounting firm as required by the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder;

(u) The financial statements, together with the related notes, included in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus and the Prospectus, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at the dates indicated and the statement of operations, changes in net assets, cash flows and financial highlights of the Company for the periods specified; said financial statements have been prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved. The selected financial data included in the Pricing Prospectus and the Prospectus present fairly the information shown therein and was compiled on a basis consistent with that of the audited financial statements included in the Pricing Prospectus and the Prospectus;

(v) The Company maintains a system of internal accounting and other controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurances that (A) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorization and with the investment objectives, policies and restrictions of the Company and the applicable requirements of the Investment Company Act and the Code; (B) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP, to maintain accountability for assets and to maintain material compliance with the books and records requirements under the Investment Company Act; (C) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (D) the recorded

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accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences. There has been (1) no material weakness (whether or not remediated) in the Company's internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15 and 15d-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")); (2) no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially negatively affected, or is reasonably likely to materially negatively affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting; and (3) no failure on the part of the Company and any of its directors or officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with any provision of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the rules and regulations promulgated in connection therewith to the extent applicable to the Company;

(w) The Company has established and maintains disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15 and 15d-15 under the Exchange Act) that comply with the requirements of the Exchange Act; such disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that material information relating to the Company, including material information pertaining to the operations and assets managed by the Adviser, is made known to the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer by others within the Company and the Adviser, and such disclosure controls and procedures are effective to perform the functions for which they were established;

(x) The terms of the Investment Management Agreement comply in all material respects with the applicable provisions of the Investment Company Act and the Advisers Act;

(y) Except as set forth in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, (i) there are no agreements requiring the registration under the Act of, and (ii) there are no options, warrants or other rights to purchase any shares of, or exchange any securities for shares of, the Company's capital stock;

(z) When the Notification of Election was filed with the Commission, it (i) contained all statements required to be stated therein in accordance with, and compiled in all material respects with the requirements of, the Investment Company Act and (ii) did not include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; the Company has not filed with the Commission any notice of withdrawal of the Notification of Election pursuant to Section 54(c) of the Investment Company Act and no order of suspension or revocation of such Notification of Election has been issued or proceedings therefor initiated or, to the best knowledge of the Company, threatened by the Commission;

(aa) Following the execution and effectiveness of the License Agreement, the Company owns, or has obtained a valid and enforceable license for, or other right to use, the trademarks (whether registered or unregistered) and trade names described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus as being licensed by it or which are necessary for the conduct of its businesses;

(bb) The Company maintains insurance covering its properties, operations, personnel and businesses as the Company deems adequate; such insurance insures against such losses and risks to an extent which is adequate in accordance with customary industry practice to protect the Company and its businesses; all such insurance is fully in force;

(cc) The Company has not sent or received any communication regarding termination of, or intent not to renew, any of the contracts or agreements referred to or described in, or filed as an exhibit to, the Registration Statement, and no such termination or non-renewal has been threatened by the Company or, to the Company's knowledge, any other party to any such contract or agreement;

(dd) The Company has not, directly or indirectly, extended credit, arranged to extend credit, or renewed any extension of credit, in the form of a personal loan, to or for any director or executive officer of the Company, or to or for any family member or affiliate of any director or executive officer of the Company;

(ee) Neither the Company nor, to the Company's knowledge, any employee or agent of the Company has made any payment of funds of the Company or received or retained any funds in violation of any law, rule or regulation, which payment, receipt or retention of funds is of a character required to be disclosed in the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus;

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(ff) Neither the Company nor, to the Company's knowledge, any of its directors, officers, affiliates or controlling persons has taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to result in, or which has constituted or might reasonably be expected to cause or result in, under the Exchange Act, the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale of the Notes;

(gg) Except as disclosed in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, (i) no person is serving or acting as an officer, director or investment adviser of the Company, except in accordance with the provisions of the Investment Company Act and the Advisers Act and (ii) to the knowledge of the Company, no director of the Company is an "affiliated person" (as defined in the Investment Company Act) of any of the Underwriters;

(hh) The operations of the Company are in compliance in all material respects with the provisions of the Investment Company Act applicable to a BDC and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder;

(ii) The Company has not distributed and prior to the later to occur of (i) the First Time of Delivery (as defined in Section 5 hereof) and (ii) the completion of the distribution of the Notes will not distribute any offering material other than (A) the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, and any amendment or supplement to any of the foregoing, and (B) such materials as may be approved by the Representatives and filed with the Commission in accordance with Rule 482 of the Act;

(jj) None of the persons identified as “independent directors” in the Registration Statement and the Disclosure Package is an “interested person” as that term is defined in Section 2(a)(19) of the Investment Company Act;

(kk) Except as described in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, no relationship, direct or indirect, exists between or among the Company, on the one hand, and the directors, officers or stockholders of the Company, on the other hand, that is required to be described in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus which is not so described;

(ll) Except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, neither the Company nor the Adviser has any material lending or other relationship with any affiliate of any Underwriter and the Company will not use any of the proceeds from the sale of the Notes to repay any indebtedness owed to any affiliate of any Underwriter;

(mm) Except as set forth in or contemplated in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus (exclusive of any supplement thereto), (i) each of the Company and the NMFC Subsidiaries (as defined in Section 1(tt)) has filed or has caused to be filed all foreign, federal, state and local tax returns required to be filed or has properly requested extensions thereof (except in any case in which the failure so to file would not have a Material Adverse Change), (ii) each of the Company and the NMFC Subsidiaries has paid all taxes required to be paid by it and any other assessment, fine or penalty levied against it, to the extent that any of the foregoing is due and payable, except for any such assessment, fine or penalty that is currently being contested in good faith or as would not have a Material Adverse Change, (iii) the Company has elected to be treated, and has operated, and intends to continue to operate, its business so as to continue to qualify as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code and (iv) each of the Company and the NMFC Subsidiaries intends to direct the investment of the net proceeds of the offering of the Notes, and has operated, and intends to continue to operate, its business, in such a manner so as to enable the Company to continue to qualify as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code;

(nn) The Company is not aware that any executive officer, key employee or significant group of employees, if any, of the Company plans to terminate employment with the Company or is subject to any noncompete, nondisclosure, confidentiality, employment, consulting or similar agreement that would be violated by the present or proposed business activities of the Company;

(oo) The Company (i) has adopted and implemented written policies and procedures reasonably designed to prevent violation of the Federal Securities Laws (as that term is defined in Rule 38a-1 under the Investment Company Act) by the Company and (ii) is conducting its business in compliance with all laws, rules, regulations, decisions, directives and orders applicable to the Company, except in the case of (i) and (ii) as would not, either individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to, result in a Material Adverse Change;

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(pp) Neither the Company nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent, employee, affiliate or other person acting on behalf of the Company has taken any action, directly or indirectly, that has resulted or would result in a violation by such persons of the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder (collectively, the “FCPA”), including, without limitation, making use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce corruptly in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay or authorization of the payment of any money, or other property, gift, promise to give, or authorization of the giving of anything of value to any “foreign official” (as such term is defined in the FCPA) or any foreign political party or official thereof or any candidate for foreign political office, in contravention of the FCPA;

(qq) The operations of the Company are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the applicable money laundering statutes of all applicable jurisdictions, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar applicable rules, regulations or guidelines, issued, administered or enforced by any governmental agency (collectively, “Money Laundering Laws”) and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company with respect to the Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, has been threatened;

(rr) Neither the Company nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent, employee, affiliate or person acting on behalf of the Company is currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Treasury Department (“OFAC”); and the Company will not directly or indirectly use any of the proceeds received by the Company from the sale of Notes contemplated by this Agreement, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available any such proceeds to any joint venture partner or other person or entity, for the purpose of financing the activities of any person currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by OFAC;

(ss) Any statistical and market-related data included in the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus are based on or derived from sources that the Company believes to be reliable and accurate;

(tt) Each of the Company’s consolidated subsidiaries as determined in accordance with GAAP (the “NMFC Subsidiaries”) has been duly formed and is validly existing in good standing as either a limited liability company or a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware or the State of Maryland, as applicable, with full power and authority to own, lease and/or operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and is duly qualified to do business and is in good standing under the laws of each jurisdiction in which its ownership or lease of property or the conduct of its business requires such qualification. The Company owns, directly or indirectly, all of the outstanding equity interests of each of the NMFC Subsidiaries free and clear of any liens, charges or encumbrances in favor of any third parties, except such liens, charges or encumbrances as have been or may be imposed thereon in accordance with the terms and conditions of the secured revolving credit facility between NMFH LLC and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (as amended, the “Holdings Credit Facility”). None of the NMFC Subsidiaries employ any persons or conduct any business other than, in the case of NMFH LLC, in connection with the Holdings Credit Facility (and any activities incidental thereto), and New Mountain Finance SBIC, L.P., New Mountain Finance SBIC II, L.P. and New Mountain Net Lease Corporation, including the acquisition, holding or disposition of assets on behalf of the Company,

including the receipt of interest, dividends and principal payments thereon; and

(uu) The Company has received clearance to apply for the listing of the Notes on the New York Stock Exchange (the “NYSE”).

2. The Adviser and the Administrator, jointly and severally, represent and warrant to, and agree with, the Underwriters that:

(a) Since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement and the Disclosure Package, there has not been any material adverse change, or any development involving a prospective material adverse change, in or affecting the general affairs, management, financial position, stockholders’ equity or results of operations of each of the Adviser and the Administrator (any such change or development is

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hereinafter referred to as an “Adviser Material Adverse Change” with respect to the Adviser and as an “Administrator Material Adverse Change” with respect to the Administrator), otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Disclosure Package;

(b) Each of the Adviser and the Administrator has been duly formed and is validly existing as a limited liability company and is in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware, with power and authority to own its properties and conduct its business as described in the Disclosure Package, and each has been duly qualified as a foreign corporation for the transaction of business and is in good standing under the laws of each other jurisdiction in which each owns or leases properties or conducts any business so as to require such qualification, except where the failure to be so qualified in any such jurisdiction would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in an Adviser Material Adverse Change or Administrator Material Adverse Change, as applicable;

(c) The Adviser is duly registered with the Commission as an investment adviser under the Advisers Act and is not prohibited by the Advisers Act or the Investment Company Act from acting under the Investment Management Agreement for the Company as contemplated by the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus. There has been no proceeding initiated or, to the Adviser’s knowledge, threatened by the Commission for the purpose of suspending the registration of the Adviser under the Advisers Act;

(d) (i) This Agreement and the Investment Management Agreement have each been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Adviser and constitute valid, binding and enforceable agreements of the Adviser subject, as to enforcement, to applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors’ rights generally and (ii) this Agreement and the Administration Agreement have each been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Administrator and constitute valid, binding and enforceable agreements of the Administrator subject, as to enforcement, to applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors’ rights generally;

(e) None of the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, the Investment Management Agreement or the Administration Agreement, or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, will (i) conflict with or result in a breach or violation of any of the terms or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement or other agreement or instrument to which the Adviser or the Administrator is a party or by which the Adviser or the Administrator is bound or to which any of the respective property or assets of each of the Adviser or the Administrator is subject, (ii) result in any violation of the provisions of each of the Adviser’s or the Administrator’s limited liability company agreement or (iii) result in any violation of any statute or any order, rule or regulation of any court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over it or any of its properties after giving effect to any consents, approvals, authorizations, orders, registrations, qualifications and waivers as will have been obtained or made as of the date of this Agreement, except, with respect to clause (i), to the extent that any such conflict, breach or violation would not reasonably be expected to result either in an Adviser Material Adverse Change or an Administrator Material Adverse Change, as applicable; and no consent, approval, authorization, order, registration or qualification of or with any such court or governmental agency or body is required for the execution, delivery or performance of any of this Agreement, the Investment Management Agreement or the Administration Agreement, or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby by the Adviser and the Administrator, except such as have been obtained under the Act, the Investment Company Act and the Advisers Act and except such consents, approvals, authorization, orders, registrations or qualifications which have been obtained or effected;

(f) There are no legal or governmental proceedings pending to which the Adviser or the Administrator is a party or of which any of their respective property is the subject which would reasonably be expected to individually or in the aggregate materially adversely affect either the Adviser’s or the Administrator’s ability to properly render services to the Company under the Investment Management Agreement or Administration Agreement, as applicable, or have a material adverse effect on either the Adviser’s or the Administrator’s current or future financial position, stockholders’ equity or results of operations and, to the Adviser’s and the Administrator’s knowledge, no such proceedings have been threatened or contemplated by governmental authorities or threatened by others;

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(g) Neither the Adviser nor the Administrator (i) is in violation of its respective limited liability company agreement or (ii) is in default in the performance or observance of any obligation, agreement, covenant or condition contained in any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan agreement, lease or other agreement or instrument to which either the Adviser or the Administrator is a party or by which either the Adviser or the Administrator or any of their respective properties may be bound, except, with respect to clause (ii), to the extent that any such default would not reasonably be expected to result in an Adviser Material Adverse Change or an Administrator Material Adverse Change, as applicable;

(h) Each of the Adviser and the Administrator possesses all licenses, certificates, permits and other authorizations issued by appropriate federal, state or foreign regulatory authorities necessary to conduct their respective business, and neither the Adviser nor the

Administrator has received any notice of proceeding relating to the revocation or modification of any such license, certificate, permit or authorization which, individually or in the aggregate, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding, would reasonably be expected to result in an Adviser Material Adverse Change or an Administrator Material Adverse Change, as applicable;

(i) The descriptions of the Adviser and the Administrator and each of their respective principals and business, and the statements attributable to each of the Adviser and the Administrator, in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus do not and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading;

(j) Each of the Adviser and the Administrator has the financial resources available to each necessary for the performance of their respective services and obligations as contemplated in the Disclosure Package and under this Agreement and the Investment Management Agreement with respect to the Adviser, and under this Agreement and the Administration Agreement with respect to the Administrator;

(k) Each of the Adviser and the Administrator is not aware that (i) any of their respective executives, key employees or significant group of employees plans to terminate employment with either the Adviser or the Administrator, respectively, or (ii) any such executive or key employee is subject to any noncompete, nondisclosure, confidentiality, employment, consulting or similar agreement that would be violated by either the Adviser's or the Administrator's present or proposed business activities;

(l) The Adviser maintains a system of internal controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that (i) transactions effectuated by the Adviser under the Investment Management Agreement are executed in accordance with its management's general or specific authorization and (ii) access to the Company's assets is permitted only in accordance with its management's general or specific authorization;

(m) The Administrator maintains a system of internal controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurance that (i) transactions for which the Administrator has bookkeeping and record keeping responsibility for under the Administration Agreement are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of the Company's financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and to maintain accountability for the Company's assets and (ii) the recorded accountability for such assets is compared with existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences;

(n) Each of the Adviser and the Administrator has not taken, directly or indirectly, any action designed to result in, or which has constituted or might reasonably be expected to cause or result in, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale of the Notes, and neither the Adviser nor the Administrator is aware of any such action being taken by any of their respective affiliates;

(o) Neither the Adviser nor the Administrator nor, to their respective knowledge, any director, officer, agent, employee, affiliate or other person, in each case, acting on behalf of each of the Adviser or the Administrator has taken any action, directly or indirectly, that has resulted or would result in a violation by such persons of the FCPA, including, without limitation, making use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce corruptly in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay or authorization of the payment of any money, or other property, gift, promise to give, or authorization of the giving of anything of value to any "foreign official" (as such term is defined in the FCPA) or any foreign political party or official thereof or any candidate for foreign political office, in contravention of the FCPA;

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(p) Each of the Adviser's and the Administrator's operations are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the Money Laundering Laws and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving either the Adviser or the Administrator with respect to the Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to each of the Adviser's or the Administrator's knowledge, threatened; and

(q) Neither the Adviser nor the Administrator nor, to their respective knowledge, any director, officer, agent, employee, affiliate or other person acting on behalf of each of the Adviser or the Administrator is currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by the OFAC; and neither the Adviser or the Administrator will cause the Company to use any of the proceeds received by the Company from the sale of Notes contemplated by this Agreement, or cause the Company to lend, contribute or otherwise make available any such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other person or entity, for the purpose of financing the activities of any person currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by OFAC.

3. Subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth:

(a) The Company agrees to issue and sell to each of the Underwriters, and each of the Underwriters agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company, at a purchase price of 97.41% of the principal amount thereof, the principal amount of Firm Notes set forth opposite the name of such Underwriter in Schedule I hereto and (ii) in the event and to the extent that the Underwriters shall exercise the election to purchase Optional Notes as provided below, the Company agrees to sell to each of the Underwriters, and each of the Underwriters agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company, at a purchase price of 97.0% of the principal amount thereof (without giving effect to any accrued interest from the First Time of Delivery to the relevant Subsequent Time of Delivery, as those terms are defined herein), that portion of the principal amount of Optional Notes as to which such election shall have been exercised determined by multiplying such principal amount of Optional Notes by a fraction, the numerator of which is the maximum principal amount of Optional Notes which such Underwriter is entitled to purchase as set forth opposite the name of such Underwriter in Schedule I hereto and the denominator of which is the maximum principal amount of Optional Notes that all of the Underwriters are entitled to purchase hereunder.

(b) The Company hereby grants to the Underwriters the right to purchase at their election up to \$7,500,000 aggregate principal amount of Optional Notes, at the purchase price set forth in the paragraph above, for the sole purpose of covering sales of Notes in excess of the principal amount of Firm Notes. Any such election to purchase Optional Notes may be exercised only by written notice from you to the Company, given

within a period of 30 calendar days after the date of this Agreement, setting forth the aggregate principal amount of Optional Notes to be purchased and the date on which such Optional Notes are to be delivered, as determined by you but in no event earlier than the First Time of Delivery (as defined in Section 5 hereof) or, unless you and the Company otherwise agree in writing, earlier than two or later than ten business days after the date of such notice.

4. Upon the authorization by you of the release of the Firm Notes, the several Underwriters propose to offer the Firm Notes for sale upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Prospectus.

5. The Notes to be purchased by each Underwriter hereunder, represented by one or more definitive global Notes in book-entry form, and in such authorized denominations and registered in such names as the Representatives may request upon at least forty-eight hours' prior notice to the Company shall be delivered by or on behalf of the Company to the Underwriters, through the facilities of DTC, for the account of such Underwriter, against payment by or on behalf of such Underwriter of the purchase price therefor by wire transfer of Federal (same-day) funds to the account specified by the Company to the Representatives at least forty-eight hours in advance. The Company will cause the certificates representing the Notes to be made available for checking and packaging at least twenty-four hours prior to the Time of Delivery (as defined below) with respect thereto at the office of DTC or its designated custodian (the "Designated Office"). The time and date of such delivery and payment shall be, with respect to the Firm Notes, 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on September 25, 2018 or such other time and date as the Representatives and the Company may agree upon in writing, and, with respect to the Optional Notes, 10:00 a.m., New York City time, on the date specified by the Representatives in the written notice given by the Representatives of the Underwriters' election to purchase such Optional Notes, or such other time

and date as the Representatives and the Company may agree upon in writing. Such time and date for delivery of the Firm Notes is herein called the "First Time of Delivery," such time and date for delivery of the Optional Notes, if not the First Time of Delivery, is herein called the "Subsequent Time of Delivery," and each such time and date for delivery is herein called a "Time of Delivery."

(a) The documents to be delivered at each Time of Delivery by or on behalf of the parties hereto pursuant to Section 10 hereof, including the cross receipt for the Notes and any additional documents requested by the Underwriters pursuant to Section 10(j) hereof, will be delivered at the offices of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004 (the "Closing Location"), and the Notes will be delivered at the Designated Office, all at such Time of Delivery. A meeting will be held at the Closing Location on the New York Business Day next preceding such Time of Delivery, at which meeting the final drafts of the documents to be delivered pursuant to the preceding sentence will be available for review by the parties hereto. For the purposes of this Agreement "New York Business Day" shall mean each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday which is not a day on which banking institutions in New York City are generally authorized or obligated by law or executive order to close.

6. (A) The Company agrees with each of the Underwriters:

(a) To prepare the Prospectus in a form approved by you and to file such Prospectus pursuant to Rule 497 under the Act not later than the Commission's close of business on the second business day following the execution and delivery of this Agreement, or, if applicable, such earlier time as may be required by Rule 430C under the Act; to make no further amendment or any supplement to the Registration Statement, the Base Prospectus or the Prospectus prior to the last Time of Delivery which shall be disapproved by you promptly after reasonable notice thereof; to advise you, promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the time when any amendment to the Registration Statement has been filed or becomes effective or any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus has been filed and to furnish you with copies thereof; to advise you, promptly after it receives notice thereof, of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order or of any order preventing or suspending the use of the Pricing Prospectus or other prospectus in respect of the Notes, of the suspension of the qualification of the Notes for offering or sale in any jurisdiction, of the initiation or threatening of any proceeding for any such purpose, or of any request by the Commission for the amending or supplementing of the Registration Statement or the Prospectus or for additional information; and, in the event of the issuance of any stop order or of any order preventing or suspending the use of the Pricing Prospectus or other prospectus or suspending any such qualification, to promptly use its best efforts to obtain the withdrawal of such order;

(b) Promptly from time to time to take such action as you may reasonably request to qualify the Notes for offering and sale under the securities laws of such jurisdictions as you may request and to comply with such laws so as to permit the continuance of sales and dealings therein in such jurisdictions for as long as may be necessary to complete the distribution of the Notes, provided that in connection therewith the Company shall not be required (i) to qualify as a foreign corporation, (ii) to file a general consent to service of process in any jurisdiction or (iii) to subject itself to taxation in respect of doing business in any jurisdiction in which it is not otherwise subject;

(c) Prior to 3:00 p.m., New York City time, on the New York Business Day next succeeding the date of this Agreement or as otherwise agreed to by the Company and the Representatives and from time to time, to furnish the Underwriters with written and electronic copies of the Prospectus in New York City in such quantities as you may reasonably request, and, if the delivery of a prospectus is required at any time by the Act after the time of issue of the Prospectus in connection with the offering or sale of the Notes and if at such time any event shall have occurred as a result of which the Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made when such Prospectus is delivered, not misleading, or, if for any other reason it shall be necessary during such same period to amend or supplement the Prospectus in order to comply with the Act, to notify you and upon your request to prepare and furnish without charge to each Underwriter and to any dealer in securities as many written and electronic copies as you may from time to time reasonably request of an amended Prospectus or a supplement to the Prospectus which will correct such statement or omission or effect such compliance; and in case any Underwriter is required to deliver a

prospectus in connection with sales of any of the Notes at any time nine months or more after the time of issue of the Prospectus, upon your request but at the expense of such Underwriter, to prepare and deliver to such Underwriter as many written and electronic copies as you may request of an amended or supplemented Prospectus complying with Section 10(a)(3) of the Act;

(d) To make generally available to the Company's securityholders as soon as practicable, but in any event not later than 16 months after the effective date of the Registration Statement (as defined in Rule 158(c) under the Act), an earnings statement of the Company and its subsidiaries (which need not be audited) complying with Section 11(a) of the Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (including, at the option of the Company, Rule 158);

(e) For one year following the date hereof, to furnish to the holders of the Notes after the end of each fiscal year, within the required time period for filing thereof (or as soon as practicable thereafter), an annual report (including a balance sheet and statements of income, stockholders' equity and cash flows of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries certified by independent public accountants) and, after the end of each of the first three quarters of each fiscal year (beginning with the fiscal quarter ending after the effective date of the Registration Statement), to make available to its stockholders, within the required time period for filing thereof (or as soon as practicable thereafter), consolidated summary financial information of the Company and its subsidiaries, if any, for such quarter in reasonable detail; provided, however, that the Company will be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of this paragraph (e) if the Company files with or furnishes to the Commission the reports, documents or information of the types otherwise so required;

(f) To use the net proceeds received from the sale of the Notes pursuant to this Agreement in the manner specified in the Disclosure Package under the caption "Use of Proceeds";

(g) To cooperate with the Representative and use its commercially reasonable efforts to permit the Notes to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the facilities of DTC.

(h) To use its commercially reasonable efforts to effect, within 30 days of the First Time of Delivery, the listing of the Notes on the NYSE.

(i) If the Company elects to rely upon Rule 462(b), the Company shall file a Rule 462(b) Registration Statement with the Commission in compliance with Rule 462(b) by 10:00 P.M., Washington, D.C. time, on the date of this Agreement, and the Company shall at the time of filing either pay to the Commission the filing fee for the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement or give irrevocable instructions for the payment of such fee pursuant to Rule 111(b) under the Act;

(j) To use its commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Company to continue to qualify to be treated as a RIC under Subchapter M of the Code, and to maintain such election in effect, for each taxable year during which the Company is a BDC under the Investment Company Act;

(k) To use, during a period of two years from the effective date of the Registration Statement, its commercially reasonable efforts to maintain its status as a BDC; provided, however, the Company may change the nature of its business so as to cease to be, or to withdraw its election as, a BDC, with the approval of its board of directors and a vote of stockholders as required by Section 58 and Section 12(d)(1)(E) of the Investment Company Act or any successor provision;

(l) Not to take, directly or indirectly, any action designed, or which could reasonably be expected to cause or result in, under the Exchange Act, in the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale of the Notes;

(m) Before using, approving or referring to any Additional Disclosure Item (as defined in Section 8 hereof), the Company will furnish to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters a copy of such material for review and will not make, prepare, use, authorize, approve or refer to any such material to which the Representatives reasonably object; and

(n) To comply with the applicable provisions of the Act, the Exchange Act and the Investment Company Act, and the rules and regulations thereunder, so as to permit the completion of the distribution of the Notes as contemplated in this Agreement and the Prospectus.

(B) Each of the Adviser and the Administrator agrees with each of the Underwriters not to take, directly or indirectly, any action designed, or which could reasonably be expected to cause or result in, under the Exchange Act, in the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale of the Notes.

7. The Company agrees with each of the Underwriters that, during the period beginning from the date hereof and continuing to and including the date that is 30 days after the date of the Prospectus (the "Lock-Up Period"), not to (i) directly or indirectly sell, offer to sell, enter into any agreement to sell, or otherwise dispose of, any debt securities issued by the Company (other than the Notes) which are substantially similar to the Notes or securities convertible into such debt securities which are substantially similar to the Notes, or (ii) publicly announce an intention to effect any transaction specified in clause (i), without the prior written consent of Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc, which may be given at any time without public notice.

8. The Company represents and agrees that, without the prior consent of the Representatives, (i) it will not distribute any offering material other than the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, and (ii) it has not made and will not make any offer relating to the

Notes that would constitute a “free writing prospectus” as defined in Rule 405 under the Act and which the parties agree, for the purposes of this Agreement, includes (x) any “advertisement” as defined in Rule 482 under the Act; and (y) any sales literature, materials or information provided to investors by, or with the approval of, the Company in connection with the marketing of the offering of the Notes, including any in-person roadshow or investor presentations (including slides and scripts relating thereto) made to investors by or on behalf of the Company (the materials and information referred to in this Section 8 are herein referred to as an “Additional Disclosure Item”); any Additional Disclosure Item the use of which has been consented to by the Representatives is listed on Schedule II(a) hereto; and, without the prior consent of Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., it has not made and will not make any offer relating to the Notes that would constitute a free writing prospectus.

9. The Company covenants and agrees with the several Underwriters that the Company will pay or cause to be paid the following: (i) the fees, disbursements and expenses of the Company’s counsel and accountants in connection with the registration of the Notes under the Act and all other expenses in connection with the preparation, printing, reproduction and filing of the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus, and the Prospectus and amendments and supplements thereto and the mailing and delivering of copies thereof to the Underwriters and dealers; (ii) the cost of printing or producing any Agreement among Underwriters, this Agreement, the DTC Agreement, the Indenture, the Notes, the Blue Sky Memorandum and closing documents (including any compilations thereof) in connection with the offering, purchase, sale and delivery of the Notes; (iii) all expenses in connection with the qualification of the Notes for offering and sale under state securities laws as provided in Section 6 (A)(b) hereof, including the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Underwriters in connection with such qualification and in connection with the Blue Sky survey; (iv) the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the listing of the Notes on the NYSE; (v) the filing fees incident to, and in addition, the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel for the Underwriters up to \$10,000.00 in connection with any required review by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. of the terms of the sale of the Notes; (vi) the cost of preparing the Notes; (vii) the fees and expenses of the Trustee and any agent of the Trustee and the fees and disbursements of counsel for the Trustee in connection with the Indenture and the Notes; (viii) all “road show” expenses of the Company (provided that the Company will pay fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate cost of any private aircraft used in connection with such “road show” presentations, if any); (ix) any fees charged by securities rating services for rating the Notes, if any; and (x) all other costs and expenses incident to the performance of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator of their obligations hereunder which are not otherwise specifically provided for in this Section 9. In connection with clause (ii) of the preceding sentence, the Representatives agree to pay New York State stock transfer tax, and the Company agrees to reimburse the Underwriters for associated carrying costs if such tax payment is not rebated on the day of payment and for any portion of such tax payment not rebated. It is understood, however, that, except as provided in this Section 9, and Sections 11, 12 and 14 hereof, the Underwriters will pay all of their own costs and expenses, including the fees

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of their counsel, stock transfer taxes on resale of any of the Notes by them, and any advertising expenses connected with any offers they may make.

10. The obligations of the Underwriters hereunder, as to the Notes to be delivered at each Time of Delivery, shall be subject, in their discretion, to the condition that all representations and warranties and other statements of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator herein are, at and as of such Time of Delivery, true and correct, the condition that the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator shall have performed all of their respective obligations hereunder theretofore to be performed, and the following additional conditions:

(a) The Prospectus shall have been filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 497 under the Act within the applicable time period prescribed for such filing by the rules and regulations under the Act and in accordance with Section 6(A)(a) hereof; if the Company has elected to rely upon Rule 462(b) under the Act, the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement shall have become effective by 10:00 P.M., Washington, D.C. time, on the date of this Agreement; no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or any part thereof shall have been issued and no proceeding for that purpose shall have been initiated or threatened by the Commission; no stop order suspending or preventing the use of the Prospectus shall have been initiated or threatened by the Commission; and all requests for additional information on the part of the Commission shall have been complied with to your reasonable satisfaction;

(b) Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, shall have furnished to you their written opinion or opinions, dated such Time of Delivery, in form and substance satisfactory to you, with respect to such matters as you may reasonably request, and such counsel shall have received such papers and information as they may reasonably request to enable them to pass upon such matters;

(c) Eversheds Sutherland (US) LLP, counsel for the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator, shall have furnished to you their written opinion or opinions, dated such Time of Delivery, in form and substance satisfactory to you;

(d) On the date of the Prospectus at a time prior to the execution of this Agreement, at 9:30 a.m., New York City time, on the effective date of any post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement filed subsequent to the date of this Agreement and also at such Time of Delivery, Deloitte & Touche LLP shall have furnished to you a letter or letters, dated the respective dates of delivery thereof, in form and substance satisfactory to you;

(e) Since the respective dates as of which information is given in the Pricing Prospectus there shall not have been any change in the capital stock or long-term debt of the Company or any change, or any development involving a prospective change, in or affecting the general affairs, management, financial position, stockholders’ equity or results of operations of the Company otherwise than as set forth or contemplated in the Pricing Prospectus, the effect of which, is in the Representatives’ judgment so material and adverse as to make it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the public offering or the delivery of the Notes being delivered at such Time of Delivery on the terms and in the manner contemplated in each of the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus;

(f) On or after the Applicable Time, to the extent the Company has rated debt securities, (i) no downgrading shall have occurred in the rating accorded any of the Company’s debt securities by any “nationally recognized statistical rating organization,” as that term is defined by the

Commission for purposes of Rule 436(g)(2) under the Act, and (ii) no such organization shall have publicly announced that it has under surveillance or review, with possible negative implications, its rating of any of the Company's debt securities;

(g) On or after the Applicable Time, there shall not have occurred any of the following: (i) a suspension or material limitation in trading in securities generally on the Exchange or the NASDAQ Stock Market; (ii) a suspension or material limitation in trading in the Company's securities on the Exchange; (iii) a general moratorium on commercial banking activities declared by either Federal or New York State authorities or a material disruption in commercial banking or securities settlement or clearance services in the United States; (iv) the outbreak or escalation of hostilities involving the United States or the declaration by the United States of a national emergency or war or (v) the occurrence of any other calamity or crisis or any change in financial, political or economic conditions in the United States or elsewhere, if the effect of any such event specified in clause (iv) or (v) in the

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Representatives' judgment makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the public offering or the delivery of the Notes being delivered at such Time of Delivery on the terms and in the manner contemplated in each of the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus;

(h) Within 30 days of the First Time of Delivery, the Notes shall have been approved for listing on the NYSE.

(i) The Company shall have complied with the provisions of Section 6(A)(c) hereof with respect to the furnishing of prospectuses;

(j) Each of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator shall have furnished or caused to be furnished to you at such Time of Delivery certificates of their respective officers satisfactory to you as to the accuracy of the representations and warranties of each of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator herein at and as of such Time of Delivery, as to the performance by each of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator of all of their respective obligations hereunder to be performed at or prior to such Time of Delivery, as to the matters set forth in subsections (a) and (e) of this Section 10 and as to such other matters as you may reasonably request, provided that the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator, as applicable, have been informed as to such other matters for which certificates will be requested prior to the Applicable Time;

(k) The Underwriters shall have received an executed original copy of the Base Indenture and the Second Supplemental Indenture; and

(l) The Notes shall be eligible for clearance and settlement through the facilities of DTC.

11. Indemnification.

(a) The Company will indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which such Underwriter may become subject, under the Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any Additional Disclosure Item, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and will reimburse each Underwriter for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such Underwriter in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred; provided, however, that the Company shall not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any Additional Disclosure Item in reliance upon and in conformity with the Underwriter Information.

(b) The Adviser and the Administrator, jointly and severally, will indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which such Underwriter may become subject, under the Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any Additional Disclosure Item, or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and will reimburse each Underwriter for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such Underwriter in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred, provided, however, that the Adviser or the Administrator shall not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage or liability arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any Additional Disclosure Item in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator by any Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use therein.

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(c) Each Underwriter, severally and not jointly, will indemnify and hold harmless each of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities to which any of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator may become subject, under the Act or otherwise, insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any Additional Disclosure Item, or arise out of or are based

upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, or any Additional Disclosure Item, in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to any of the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use therein; and will reimburse any of the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by any of the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim as such expenses are incurred. Each of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator acknowledge that the twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth paragraphs related to price stabilization, syndicate covering transactions and penalty bids under the heading “Underwriting” in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus constitute the only information furnished in writing by or on behalf of the Underwriters specifically for inclusion in the Registration Statement, the Pricing Prospectus, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus (the “Underwriter Information”).

(d) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under subsection (a), (b) or (c) above of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party shall, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party under such subsection, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof; but the omission so to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve it from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party under such subsection, except to the extent that it has been materially prejudiced (through the forfeiture of substantive rights or defenses) by such failure. In case any such action shall be brought against any indemnified party and it shall notify the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate therein and, to the extent that it shall wish, jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to assume the defense thereof, with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such indemnified party (who shall not, except with the consent of the indemnified party, be counsel to the indemnifying party), and, after notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of its election so to assume the defense thereof, the indemnifying party shall not be liable to such indemnified party under such subsection for any legal expenses of other counsel or any other expenses, in each case subsequently incurred by such indemnified party, in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation. No indemnifying party shall, without the written consent of the indemnified party, effect the settlement or compromise of, or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, any pending or threatened action or claim in respect of which indemnification or contribution may be sought hereunder (whether or not the indemnified party is an actual or potential party to such action or claim) unless such settlement, compromise or judgment (i) includes an unconditional release of the indemnified party from all liability arising out of such action or claim and (ii) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act, by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

(e) If the indemnification provided for in this Section 11 is unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under subsection (a), (b) or (c) above in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to therein but is otherwise applicable in accordance with its terms, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other from the offering of the Notes. If, however, the allocation provided by the immediately preceding sentence is not permitted by applicable law or if the indemnified party failed to give the notice required under subsection (d) above, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to such amount paid or payable by such indemnified party in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only such relative benefits but also the relative fault of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other in

connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof), as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company, the Adviser, and the Administrator on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other shall be deemed to be in the same proportion as the total net proceeds from the offering (before deducting expenses) received by the Company bear to the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by the Underwriters, in each case as set forth in the table on the cover page of the Prospectus. The relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator on the one hand or the Underwriters on the other and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission. The Company, the Adviser, the Administrator and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this subsection (e) were determined by *pro rata* allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to above in this subsection (e). The amount paid or payable by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) referred to above in this subsection (e) shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending any such action or claim. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection (e), no Underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Notes underwritten by it and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages which such Underwriter has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Underwriters' obligations in this subsection (e) to contribute are several in proportion to their respective underwriting obligations and not joint.

(f) The obligations of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator under this Section 11 shall be in addition to any liability which each of the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each person, if any, who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of the Act and each affiliate of any Underwriter; and the obligations of the Underwriters under this Section 11 shall be in addition to any liability which the respective Underwriters may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each officer and director of each of the Company (including any person who, with his or her consent, is named in the Prospectus as about to become a director of the Company), the Adviser or the Administrator and to each person, if any, who controls the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator within the meaning of the Act. No party shall be entitled to indemnification under this Section 11 if

such indemnification of such party would violate Section 17(i) of the Investment Company Act.

12. (a) If any Underwriter shall default in its obligation to purchase the Notes which it has agreed to purchase hereunder at a Time of Delivery, you may in your discretion arrange for you or another party or other parties to purchase such Notes on the terms contained herein. If within thirty-six hours after such default by any Underwriter you do not arrange for the purchase of such Notes, then the Company shall be entitled to a further period of thirty-six hours within which to procure another party or other parties satisfactory to you to purchase such Notes on such terms. In the event that, within the respective prescribed periods, you notify the Company that you have so arranged for the purchase of such Notes, or the Company notifies you that it has so arranged for the purchase of such Notes, you or the Company shall have the right to postpone such Time of Delivery for a period of not more than seven days, in order to effect whatever changes may thereby be made necessary in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, or in any other documents or arrangements, and the Company agrees to file promptly any amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus which in your opinion may thereby be made necessary. The term “Underwriter” as used in this Agreement shall include any person substituted under this Section 12 with like effect as if such person had originally been a party to this Agreement with respect to such Notes.

(b) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Notes of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by you and the Company as provided in subsection (a) above, the principal amount of such Notes which remains unpurchased does not exceed one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of all the Notes to

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be purchased at such Time of Delivery, then the Company shall have the right to require each non-defaulting Underwriter to purchase the principal amount of Notes which such Underwriter agreed to purchase hereunder at such Time of Delivery and, in addition, to require each non-defaulting Underwriter to purchase its pro rata share (based on the principal amount of Notes which such Underwriter agreed to purchase hereunder) of the principal amount of Notes of such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters for which such arrangements have not been made; but nothing herein shall relieve a defaulting Underwriter from liability for its default.

(c) If, after giving effect to any arrangements for the purchase of the Notes of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters by you and the Company as provided in subsection (a) above, the aggregate principal amount of such Notes which remains unpurchased exceeds one-eleventh of the aggregate principal amount of all the Notes to be purchased at such Time of Delivery, or if the Company shall not exercise the right described in subsection (b) above to require non-defaulting Underwriters to purchase Notes of a defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters, then this Agreement (or, with respect to the Second Time of Delivery, the obligations of the Underwriters to purchase and of the Company to sell the Optional Notes) shall thereupon terminate, without liability on the part of any non-defaulting Underwriter or the Company, except for the expenses to be borne by the Company and the Underwriters as provided in Section 9 hereof and the indemnity and contribution agreements in Section 11 hereof; but nothing herein shall relieve a defaulting Underwriter from liability for its default.

13. The respective indemnities, agreements, representations, warranties and other statements of each of the Company, the Adviser, the Administrator and the several Underwriters, as set forth in this Agreement or made by or on behalf of them, respectively, pursuant to this Agreement, shall remain in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation (or any statement as to the results thereof) made by or on behalf of any Underwriter or any controlling person of any Underwriter, or the Company, or any officer or director or controlling person of the Company, and shall survive delivery of and payment for the Notes.

14. If this Agreement shall be terminated pursuant to Section 12 hereof, the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator shall not then be under any liability to any Underwriter except as provided in Sections 9 and 11, hereof; provided, if for any other reason, other than the occurrence of an event provided in Section 10(g) hereof, any Notes are not delivered by or on behalf of the Company as provided herein, the Company will reimburse the Underwriters through you for its allocable portion of all out-of-pocket expenses approved in writing by you, including fees and disbursements of counsel, reasonably incurred by the Underwriters in making preparations for the purchase, sale and delivery of the Notes not so delivered by the Company, but the Company shall then be under no further liability to any Underwriter except as provided in Sections 9 and 11 hereof.

15. In all dealings hereunder, you shall act on behalf of each of the Underwriters, and the parties hereto shall be entitled to act and rely upon any statement, request, notice or agreement on behalf of any Underwriter made or given by you jointly or by Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., on behalf of you as the Representative.

All statements, requests, notices and agreements hereunder shall be in writing, and:

(i) if to the Underwriters shall be delivered or sent by mail, telex or facsimile transmission to you in care of Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., 787 7th Avenue, Fourth Floor, New York, New York 10019, Facsimile: (212) 581-1592, Attn: Capital Markets, with a copy, which shall not constitute notice, to Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004, Attention: Joshua Wechsler, Esq.; provided, however, that any notice to an Underwriter pursuant to Section 11(e) hereof shall be delivered or sent by mail, telex or facsimile transmission to such Underwriter at its address set forth in its Underwriters' Questionnaire, or telex constituting such Questionnaire, which address will be supplied to the Company by you upon request; provided, however, that notices under Section 7 shall be in writing, and if to the Underwriters shall be delivered or sent by mail, telex or facsimile transmission to you as the Representative at Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., 787 7th Avenue, Fourth Floor, New York, New York 10019, Facsimile: (212) 581-1592, Attn: Capital Markets, with a copy, which shall not constitute notice, to Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004, Attention: Joshua Wechsler, Esq.;

(ii) if to the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator shall be delivered or sent by mail, telex or facsimile transmission to New Mountain Finance Corporation, 787 Seventh Avenue, 48th Floor, New York, New

York 10019, Attention: Robert Hamwee, with a copy to Steven B. Boehm c/o Eversheds Sutherland (US) LLP, 700 Sixth Street, NW, Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20001; and

Any such statements, requests, notices or agreements shall take effect upon receipt thereof.

In accordance with the requirements of the USA Patriot Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)), the Underwriters are required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies their respective clients, including the Company, which information may include the name and address of their respective clients, as well as other information that will allow the Underwriters to properly identify their respective clients.

16. This Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure solely to the benefit of, the Underwriters, the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator, to the extent provided in Sections 11 and 13 hereof, the officers and directors of the Company and each person who controls the Company or any Underwriter, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, and no other person shall acquire or have any right under or by virtue of this Agreement. No purchaser of any of the Notes from any Underwriter shall be deemed a successor or assign by reason merely of such purchase.

17. Time shall be of the essence of this Agreement. As used herein, the term “business day” shall mean any day when the Commission’s office in Washington, D.C. is open for business.

18. Each of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator hereby acknowledges and agrees that (i) the purchase and sale of the Notes pursuant to this Agreement is an arm’s-length commercial transaction between the Company on the one hand, and the several Underwriters, on the other, (ii) in connection therewith and with the process leading to such transaction each Underwriter is acting solely as a principal and not the agent or fiduciary of the Company, (iii) no Underwriter has assumed an advisory or fiduciary responsibility in favor of the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator with respect to the offering contemplated hereby or the process leading thereto (irrespective of whether such Underwriter has advised or is currently advising the Company on other matters) or any other obligation to the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator except the obligations expressly set forth in this Agreement and (iv) each of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator has consulted its own legal and financial advisors to the extent it deemed appropriate. Each of the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator agrees that it will not claim that the Underwriters, or any of them, has rendered advisory services of any nature or respect, or owes a fiduciary or similar duty to the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator in connection with such transaction or the process leading thereto.

19. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings (whether written or oral) between the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other, or any of them, with respect to the subject matter hereof.

20. THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY MATTERS RELATED TO THIS TRANSACTION SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK WITHOUT REGARD TO PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICT OF LAWS THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE APPLICATION OF ANY LAW OTHER THAN THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

21. The Company, the Adviser, the Administrator and each of the Underwriters hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any and all right to trial by jury in any legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.

22. This Agreement may be executed by any one or more of the parties hereto in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

23. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Company is authorized to disclose to any persons the U.S. federal and state income tax treatment and tax structure of the potential transaction and all materials of any kind (including tax opinions and other tax analyses) provided to the Company relating to that treatment and structure, without the Underwriters imposing any limitation of any kind. However, any information relating to the tax treatment and tax structure shall remain confidential (and the foregoing sentence shall not apply) to the extent

necessary to enable any person to comply with securities laws. For this purpose, “tax structure” is limited to any facts that may be relevant to that treatment.

24. Except as set forth below, no claim, counterclaim or dispute of any kind or nature whatsoever arising out of or in any way relating to this Agreement (a “Claim”) may be commenced, prosecuted or continued in any court other than the courts of the State of New York located in the City and County of New York or in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, which courts shall have jurisdiction over the adjudication of such matters, and the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator each consents to the jurisdiction of such courts and personal service with respect thereto. The Company, the Adviser and the Administrator each hereby consents to personal jurisdiction, service and venue in any court in which any Claim arising out of or in any way relating to this Agreement is brought by any third party against any Underwriter or any indemnified party. Each Underwriter and the Company (on its behalf and, to the extent permitted by applicable law, on behalf of its stockholders and affiliates), the Adviser and the Administrator (each on its behalf and, to the extent permitted by applicable law, on behalf of its members and affiliates) each waive all right to trial by jury in any action, proceeding or counterclaim (whether based upon contract, tort or otherwise) in any way arising out of or relating to this Agreement. The Company, the Adviser and the Administrator each agrees that a final judgment in any such action, proceeding or counterclaim brought in any such court shall be conclusive and binding upon each of the Company,

the Adviser and the Administrator and may be enforced in any other courts to the jurisdiction of which the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator each is or may be subject, by suit upon such judgment.

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If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding, please sign and return to us four counterparts hereof, and upon the acceptance hereof by you, on behalf of each of the Underwriters, this letter and such acceptance hereof shall constitute a binding agreement between each of the Underwriters and the Company, the Adviser and the Administrator. It is understood that your acceptance of this letter on behalf of each of the Underwriters is pursuant to the authority set forth in a form of agreement among Underwriters, the form of which shall be submitted to the Company, the Adviser or the Administrator for examination upon request, but without warranty on your part as to the authority of the signers thereof.

Very truly yours,

New Mountain Finance Corporation

By: /s/ Karrie J. Jerry

Name: Karrie J. Jerry

Title: Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Secretary

New Mountain Finance Advisers BDC, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Karrie J. Jerry

Name: Karrie J. Jerry

Title: Authorized Person

New Mountain Finance Administration, L.L.C.

By: /s/ Karrie J. Jerry

Name: Karrie J. Jerry

Title: Authorized Person

[Signature Page to Underwriting Agreement (Company)]

Accepted as of the date hereof:

KEEFE, BRUYETTE & WOODS, INC.

By: /s/ Allen G. Laufenberg

Name: Allen G. Laufenberg

Title: Managing Director

As Representative of the several Underwriters named in Schedule I hereto

[Signature Page to Underwriting Agreement (Underwriters)]

SCHEDULE I

Underwriter	Principal Amount of Firm Notes to be Purchased	Principal Amount of Optional Notes to be Purchased if Maximum Option Exercised
Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc.	25,000,000	3,750,000
Janney Montgomery Scott LLC	6,000,000	900,000

BB&T Capital Markets, a division of BB&T Securities, LLC	5,250,000	787,500
William Blair & Company, L.L.C.	3,750,000	562,500
Ladenburg Thalmann & Co. Inc.	3,750,000	562,500
Oppenheimer & Co. Inc.	3,750,000	562,500
Wedbush Securities Inc.	2,500,000	375,000
Total	\$ 50,000,000	\$ 7,500,000

SCHEDULE II

(a) Additional Disclosure Item: None

SCHEDULE III

[See attached]

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Section 4: EX-99.(I)(3) (EX-99.(I)(3))

Exhibit (I)(3)

[Letterhead of Eversheds Sutherland LLP]

September 25, 2018

New Mountain Finance Corporation
787 Seventh Avenue, 48th Floor
New York, NY 10019

Re: New Mountain Finance Corporation
Registration Statement on Form N-2

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to New Mountain Finance Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the “*Company*”), in connection with the preparation and filing by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “*Commission*”) of a registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-218040), which was initially filed with the Commission on May 16, 2017 (as amended from time to time by pre-effective amendments and post-effective amendments thereto, the “*Registration Statement*”) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “*Securities Act*”), and the prospectus dated July 13, 2018 (the “*Base Prospectus*”), and the final prospectus supplement thereto, dated September 20, 2018 (the “*Prospectus Supplement*” and, together with the Base Prospectus, the “*Prospectus*”). The Registration Statement provides that, among other types of securities, debt securities of the Company may be issued from time to time pursuant to Rule 415 of the Securities Act in amounts, at prices, and on terms to be set forth in one or more supplements to the final prospectus included in the Registration Statement at the time it becomes effective.

This opinion letter is rendered in connection with the issuance and sale by the Company of up to \$50,000,000 in aggregate principal amount (or up to \$57,500,000 aggregate principal amount if the underwriters’ overallotment option is exercised in full) of the Company’s 5.75% Notes due 2023 (the “*Notes*”) in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the indenture, dated as of August 20, 2018 (the “*Base Indenture*”), by and between the Company, as issuer, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the “*Trustee*”), as supplemented by the second supplemental indenture, dated as of September 25, 2018, by and between the Company and the Trustee (the “*Supplemental Indenture*,” and together with the Base Indenture, the “*Indenture*”), and as described in the Prospectus. The Notes are being sold by the Company pursuant to an underwriting agreement, dated as of September 20, 2018, by and among the Company, New Mountain Finance Advisers BDC, L.L.C., and New Mountain Finance Administration, L.L.C., on the one hand, and Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., on the other hand, as representative of the several underwriters named therein (the “*Underwriting Agreement*”).

As counsel to the Company, we have participated in the preparation of the Registration Statement and the Prospectus Supplement, and have examined the originals or copies, certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction as being true copies, of the following:

(i) The Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company, as amended by the Certificate of Change of Registered

Agent and/or Registered Office thereto, certified as of a recent date by the Delaware Secretary of State;

(ii) The Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, certified as of the date hereof by an officer of the Company;

(iii) A Certificate of Good Standing with respect to the Company issued by the Delaware Secretary of State as of a recent date;

(iv) The Underwriting Agreement;

(v) The Base Indenture;

(vi) The Second Supplemental Indenture;

(vii) A specimen copy of the form of the Notes to be issued pursuant to the Second Supplemental Indenture in the form attached to the Second Supplemental Indenture

(viii) The resolutions of the board of directors of the Company, or a duly authorized committee thereof, relating to, among other things, (i) the authorization and approval of the preparation and filing of the Registration Statement and the Prospectus Supplement; (ii) the offering, issuance, and sale of the Notes pursuant to the Registration Statement; and (iii) the authorization of the execution and delivery of the Underwriting Agreement and the Second Supplemental Indenture, certified as of the date hereof by an officer of the Company.

With respect to such examination and our opinion expressed herein, we have assumed, without any independent investigation or verification, (i) the genuineness of all signatures on all documents submitted to us for examination, (ii) the legal capacity of all natural persons, (iii) the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, (iv) the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as conformed or reproduced copies and the authenticity of the originals of such copied documents, (v) that all certificates issued by public officials have been properly issued, (vi) the accuracy and completeness of all corporate records made available to us by the Company and (vii) that the Indenture will be a valid and legally binding obligation of the parties thereto (other than the Company).

As to certain matters of fact relevant to the opinion in this opinion letter, we have relied on certificates of officers of the Company and on the representations, warranties and covenants of the Company set forth in the Underwriting Agreement. We have also relied on certificates of public officials (which we have assumed remain accurate as of the date of this opinion). We have not independently established the facts, or in the case of certificates of public officials, the other statements, so relied upon.

The opinion set forth below is limited to the effect of the contract laws of the state of New York and the Delaware General Corporation Law, each as in effect as of the date hereof, and we express no opinion as to the applicability or effect of any other laws of such jurisdiction or the laws of any other jurisdictions. Without limiting the preceding sentence, we express no opinion as to any state securities or broker-dealer laws or regulations thereunder relating to the offer, issuance and sale of the Notes. This opinion letter has been prepared, and should be interpreted, in accordance with customary practice followed in the preparation of opinion letters by lawyers who regularly give, and such customary practice followed by lawyers who on behalf of their clients regularly advise opinion recipients regarding, opinion letters of this kind.

On the basis of and subject to the foregoing, and in reliance thereon, and subject to the limitations and qualifications set forth in this opinion letter, we are of the opinion that, when the Notes are duly executed and delivered by duly authorized officers of the Company and duly authenticated by the Trustee, all in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture, and delivered to the purchasers thereof against payment of the agreed consideration therefor, the Notes will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership, moratorium, fraudulent conveyance, and other similar laws affecting the rights and remedies of creditors generally and to general principles of equity (including without limitation the availability of specific performance or injunctive relief and the application of concepts of materiality, reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing), regardless of whether considered in a proceeding at law or in equity.

The opinion expressed in this opinion letter is (i) strictly limited to the matters stated in this opinion letter, and without limiting the foregoing, no other opinions are to be implied or construed and (ii) only as of the date of

this opinion letter, and we are under no obligation, and do not undertake, to advise the Company or any other person or entity either of any change of law or fact that occurs, or of any fact that comes to our attention, after the date of this opinion letter, even though such change or such fact may affect the legal analysis or a legal conclusion in this opinion letter.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the reference to our firm in the "Legal Matters" section in the Registration Statement. We do not admit by giving this consent that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Eversheds Sutherland (US) LLP

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Section 5: EX-99.(N)(5) (EX-99.(N)(5))

Exhibit (n)(5)

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the use in this Post-effective Amendment No. 4 to Registration Statement No. 333-218040 on Form N-2 of our reports dated February 28, 2018, relating to the consolidated financial statements of New Mountain Finance Corporation and subsidiaries and the effectiveness of New Mountain Finance Corporation's internal control over financial reporting, appearing in the Prospectus, which is part of this Registration Statement, and of our report dated February 28, 2018, relating to information of New Mountain Finance Corporation set forth under the heading "Senior Securities" appearing in the Registration Statement.

We also consent to the reference to us under the headings "Selected Financial and Other Data", "Senior Securities" and "Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm" in such Prospectus.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

New York, New York
September 20, 2018

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Section 6: EX-99.(N)(7) (EX-99.(N)(7))

Exhibit (n)(7)

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September 20, 2018

The Board of Directors of
New Mountain Finance Corporation
New York, New York

We have reviewed, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the unaudited interim financial information of New Mountain Finance Corporation and subsidiaries for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, and have issued our report dated May 7, 2018, and for the three- and six-month periods ended June 30, 2018, and 2017, and have issued our report dated August 7, 2018. As indicated in such reports, because we did not perform an audit, we expressed no opinion on that information.

We are aware that our reports referred to above, which were included in your Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2018 and June 30, 2018 are being used in this Post-Effective Amendment No. 4 to the Registration Statement No. 333-218040 on Form N-2.

We also are aware that the aforementioned reports, pursuant to Rule 436(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, are not considered a part of the Registration Statement prepared or certified by an accountant or a report prepared or certified by an accountant within the meaning of Sections 7 and 11 of that Act.

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

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