# **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

## **CURRENT REPORT**

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 24, 2022

# **Paramount Global**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001-09553	04-2949533	
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification Number)	
1515 Broadway			
New York, New York		10036	
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)	
Registrant's t	elephone number, including area code: (212) 2	58-6000	
(Former n	<b>Not Applicable</b> aame or former address, if changed since last re	eport)	
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-Fany of the following provisions:	K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy th	e filing obligation of the registrant under	
☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 und	er the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)		
$\square$ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under t	the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)		
$\square$ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to F	Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240	0.14d-2(b))	
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to F	Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240	.13e-4(c))	
Securities	s registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the	Act:	
Title of each class		ame of each exchange on which registered	
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value Class B Common Stock, \$0.001 par value 5.75% Series A Mandatory Convertible Preferred Stock, \$0.0	•	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC	
ndicate by check mark whether the registrant is an er chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Ac		the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this	
Emerging growth company $\Box$			
f an emerging growth company, indicate by check manew or revised financial accounting standards provide			

#### Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 24, 2022, Paramount Global (the "Company") entered into an Underwriting Agreement (the "Underwriting Agreement") with BofA Securities, Inc., Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as representatives of the underwriters named in Schedule 1 thereto (collectively, the "Underwriters"), pursuant to which the Company agreed to issue and sell \$1,000,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 6.375% Fixed-to-Fixed Rate Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2062 (the "Debentures").

The Debentures were issued and sold on March 29, 2022 pursuant to the Company's automatic shelf registration statement on Form S-3 dated March 27, 2020 (No. 333-237426) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Registration Statement"). The Company is filing this Current Report on Form 8-K to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission certain documents related to the issuance of the Debentures, each of which by this filing is hereby incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement.

The Debentures are governed by the Indenture, dated as of March 27, 2020, between the Company and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas.

The foregoing description of the Underwriting Agreement is qualified in its entirety by reference to the text of the Underwriting Agreement, a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit 1.1. The Form of Debenture is filed herewith as Exhibit 4.1. The legal opinion relating to the validity of the Debentures is filed herewith as Exhibit 5.1.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### (d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit</u> <u>Number</u>	<u>Description of Exhibit</u>
1.1	<u>Underwriting Agreement dated March 24, 2022, among Paramount Global, BofA Securities, Inc., Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, as representatives of the underwriters named in Schedule 1 thereto.</u>
4.1	Form of Debenture.
5.1	Opinion of Shearman & Sterling LLP regarding the validity of the Debentures.
23.1	Consent of Shearman & Sterling LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

## **SIGNATURE**

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

PARAMOUNT GLOBAL

By: /s/ Christa A. D'Alimonte

Name: Christa A. D'Alimonte
Title: Executive Vice President,
General Counsel and Secretary

Date: March 30, 2022

#### PARAMOUNT GLOBAL

\$1,000,000,000 6.375% Fixed-to-Fixed Rate Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2062

#### **Underwriting Agreement**

March 24, 2022

BofA Securities, Inc. One Bryant Park New York, New York 10036

Citigroup Global Markets Inc. 388 Greenwich Street New York, New York 10013

Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. 1 Columbus Circle New York, New York 10019

J.P. Morgan Securities LLC 383 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10179

As Representatives of the several Underwriters listed in Schedule  $\underline{\mathbf{1}}$  hereto

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Paramount Global, a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), proposes to issue and sell to the several Underwriters listed in Schedule 1 hereto (the "<u>Underwriters</u>," which term shall include any underwriter substituted hereinafter as provided in Section 10 hereof), for whom you are acting as representatives (the "<u>Representatives</u>"), pursuant to this Underwriting Agreement (the "<u>Underwriting Agreement</u>"), \$1,000,000,000 principal amount of its 6.375% Fixed-to-Fixed Rate Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2062 (the "<u>Securities</u>"). The Securities will be issued pursuant to an Indenture (the "<u>Indenture</u>") dated as of March 27, 2020 between the Company and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as trustee (the "<u>Trustee</u>"). Certain terms of the Securities were or will be established pursuant to resolutions adopted by the Company as of March 27, 2020 pursuant to Section 301 of the Indenture.

- 1. Representations and Warranties. The Company represents and warrants to the Underwriters, as of the date hereof, as follows:
- (a) Registration Statement and the Prospectus. The Company has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a registration statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-237426) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act") (including the information (if any) deemed to be part of the registration statement pursuant to Rule 430A, Rule 430B or Rule 430C under the 1933 Act, the "Registration Statement"), in respect of, among other matters, the Securities. The Company meets the requirements for use of Form S-3 under the 1933 Act. The Registration Statement is an "automatic shelf registration statement," as defined in Rule 405 under the 1933 Act, that initially became effective not earlier than three years prior to the date hereof, and the Indenture has been qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the "1939 Act"). The prospectus included in the Registration Statement is hereinafter referred to as the "Base Prospectus." The Base Prospectus, as supplemented by the prospectus supplement specifically relating to the Securities in the form first used to confirm sales of the Securities (or in the form first made available to the Underwriters by the Company to meet requests of purchasers pursuant to Rule 173 under the 1933 Act), is hereinafter referred to as the "Prospectus," and the term "Preliminary Prospectus" means the preliminary form of the Prospectus dated March 24, 2022. For purposes of this Underwriting Agreement, "free writing prospectus" has the meaning set forth in Rule 405 under the 1933 Act, and "Time of Sale Prospectus" means the Preliminary Prospectus together with the free writing prospectuses, if any, each identified in <u>Annex A</u> hereto. As used herein, the terms "Registration Statement," "Base Prospectus," "Preliminary Prospectus," "Time of Sale Prospectus" and "Prospectus" shall include the documents, if any, incorporated by reference therein. Any reference herein to the terms "amend," "amendment" or "supplement" with respect to the Registration Statement, the Base Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the filing of any document under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "1934 Act"), after the date of this Underwriting Agreement, or the issue date of the Base Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus, as the case may be, deemed to be incorporated therein

The Registration Statement, as of the most recent effective date, and the Indenture complied, in all material respects, with the applicable provisions of the 1933 Act and the 1939 Act, respectively, and the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder. The Registration Statement, as of the most recent effective date, 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 not misleading. The Time of Sale Prospectus, on March 24, 2022, did not, and at the Closing Time, will not, contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. Any written communication listed on Annex B hereto, when considered together with the Time of Sale Prospectus, on March 24, 2022, did not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The Prospectus, as of its date and at the Closing Time, will comply, in all material respects, with the applicable provisions of the 1933 Act and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a 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 the Company makes no representations or warranties as to (i) that part of the Registration Statement which shall constitute the Statement of Eligibility and Qualification (Form T-1) of the Trustee under the 1939 Act or (ii) the information contained in

or omitted from the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus, any written communication listed on <u>Annex B</u> hereto or the Prospectus or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto in reliance upon and in conformity with information furnished to the Company in writing by or on behalf of any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus, any written communication listed on <u>Annex B</u> hereto or the Prospectus or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto.

(b) <u>Issuer Free Writing Prospectus</u>. Other than the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus, the Company (including its agents and representatives, other than the Underwriters in their capacity as such) has not made, used, prepared, authorized, approved or referred to and will not prepare, make, use, authorize, approve or refer to any free writing prospectus other than the documents listed on <u>Annex A</u> hereto and other written communications approved in writing in advance by the Representatives.

The documents listed on <u>Annex A</u> hereto do not include any information that conflicts with the information contained in the Registration Statement, including any document incorporated therein by reference and any prospectus supplement deemed to be a part thereof that has not been superseded or modified. The foregoing sentence does not apply to statements in or omissions from any documents listed on <u>Annex A</u> hereto based upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein.

- (c) <u>Incorporated Documents</u>. The documents incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus, at the time they were or hereafter are, until the Closing Time, filed with the Commission, complied and will comply, as the case may be, in all material respects with the requirements of the 1934 Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (the "1934 Act Regulations").
- (d) <u>Independent Accountants</u>. To the best of the Company's knowledge, the accountants who certified the financial statements and any supporting schedules thereto included in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus are independent public accountants as required by the 1933 Act and the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder (the "1933 Act Regulations").
- (e) <u>Financial Statements</u>. The financial statements of the Company included in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus, together with the related schedules and notes, as well as those financial statements, schedules and notes of any other entity included therein, present fairly the financial position of the Company in all material respects at the dates indicated, and the statement of operations, stockholders' equity and cash flows of the Company for the periods specified. Such financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles ("<u>GAAP</u>") applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods involved, except as otherwise noted therein and subject, in the case of interim financial statements, to normal year-end audit adjustments. The supporting schedules, if any, included in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus present fairly in all material respects in accordance with GAAP the information required to be stated therein.

- (f) <u>No Material Adverse Change in Business</u>. Since the date of the most recent consolidated financial statements included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus, except as otherwise stated therein, there has been no material adverse change in the financial condition, results of operations or business affairs of the Company and its subsidiaries considered as one enterprise (a "<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>").
- (g) <u>Good Standing</u>. The Company is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and has corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus and to enter into and perform its obligations under, or as contemplated under, this Underwriting Agreement. The Company is duly qualified as a foreign corporation to transact business and is in good standing in each other jurisdiction in which such qualification is required, whether by reason of the ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of business, except where the failures to so qualify or be in good standing would not in the aggregate result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (h) <u>Good Standing of Designated Subsidiaries</u>. Each "<u>significant subsidiary</u>" of the Company (as such term is defined in Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X promulgated under the 1933 Act), if any, is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation, has corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus and is duly qualified as a foreign corporation to transact business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is required, whether by reason of the ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of business, except where the failures to so qualify or be in good standing would not in the aggregate result in a Material Adverse Effect.
  - (i) <u>Authorization of Underwriting Agreement</u>. This Underwriting Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company.
- (j) <u>Authorization of the Securities</u>. The Securities have been duly authorized by the Company for issuance and sale pursuant to this Underwriting Agreement. The Securities, when issued and authenticated in the manner provided for in the Indenture and delivered against payment of the consideration therefor specified in this Underwriting Agreement, will have been duly executed, authenticated, issued and delivered and will constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the Company, entitled to the benefits of the Indenture, enforceable against the Company, in accordance with their terms, except as (i) the enforceability thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency (including, without limitation, all laws relating to fraudulent transfers), reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and (ii) rights of acceleration, if any, and the availability of equitable remedies may be limited by equitable principles of general applicability (regardless of whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).
- (l) <u>Authorization of the Indenture</u>. The Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and, assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery by the trustee thereunder, constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms, except as (i) the enforceability thereof may be

limited by bankruptcy, insolvency (including, without limitation, all laws relating to fraudulent transfers), reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and (ii) rights of acceleration, if any, and the availability of equitable remedies may be limited by equitable principles of general applicability (regardless of whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

- (m) <u>Description of the Securities and the Indenture</u>. The Securities and the Indenture conform in all material respects to the statements relating thereto contained in the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus.
- (n) <u>Absence of Defaults and Conflicts</u>. The issue and sale of the Securities and compliance by the Company with all of the provisions of the Securities, the Indenture and this Underwriting Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated herein and therein do not and will not, whether with or without the giving of notice or passage of time or both, conflict with or constitute a breach of, or default or Repayment Event (as defined below) under, any obligation, agreement, covenant or condition contained in any contract, indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, loan or credit agreement, note, lease or other agreement or instrument to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which it or any of them may be bound, or to which any of the assets, properties or operations of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject, nor will such action result in any violation of the provisions of the charter or by-laws of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any applicable law, statute, rule, regulation, judgment, order, writ or decree of any government, government instrumentality or court, domestic or foreign, having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of their assets, properties or operations, except, in any such case, for such conflicts, breaches or violations as would not individually or in the aggregate result in a Material Adverse Effect. As used herein, a "Repayment Event" means any event or condition which gives the holder of any note, debenture or other evidence of indebtedness (or any person acting on such holder's behalf) the right to require the repurchase, redemption or repayment of all or a portion of such indebtedness by the Company or any of its subsidiaries.
- (o) <u>Absence of Proceedings</u>. There is no action, suit, proceeding, inquiry or investigation before or brought by any court or governmental agency or body, domestic or foreign, now pending, or to the knowledge of the Company, threatened, against or affecting the Company or any of its subsidiaries which is required to be disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus (other than as stated therein).
- (p) <u>Absence of Further Requirements</u>. No filing with, or authorization, approval, consent, license, order, registration, qualification or decree of, any court or governmental authority or agency, domestic or foreign, is necessary or required for the authorization, issuance, sale and delivery of the Securities by the Company or for the performance by the Company of the transactions contemplated under this Underwriting Agreement, except as otherwise set forth herein, and except such as have been already made, obtained or rendered, as applicable, and as may be required under state securities or Blue Sky laws in connection with the purchase and distribution of the Securities by the Underwriters and except where the failure to obtain any such filing, authorization, approval, consent, license, order, registration, qualification or decree would not individually or in the aggregate result in a Material Adverse Effect.

- (q) <u>Investment Company Act</u>. The Company is not, and upon the issuance and sale of the Securities as herein contemplated and the application of the net proceeds therefrom as described in the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus will not be, an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
- (r) <u>Officer's Certificates</u>. Any certificate signed by any officer of the Company or any of its subsidiaries delivered to the Representatives or to counsel for the Underwriters shall be deemed a representation and warranty by the Company to each Underwriter as to matters covered thereby.
- (s) <u>Disclosure Controls</u>. The Company maintains effective disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the 1934 Act) that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in reports that it files or submits under the 1934 Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms, including controls and procedures designed to ensure that such information is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure. The Company has carried out evaluations of the effectiveness of its disclosure controls and procedures as required by Rule 13a-15 under the 1934 Act.
- (t) <u>Accounting Controls</u>. The Company maintains processes of internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) under the 1934 Act) designed by, or under the supervision of, its principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with GAAP. Except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus, there are no material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the Company's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information.
- (u) <u>Sarbanes-Oxley Act</u>. There is and has been no failure in any material respect on the part of the Company or, to the Company's knowledge, any of the Company's 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, including Section 402 related to loans and Sections 302 and 906 related to certifications by the Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer.
- (v) <u>Status under the 1933 Act</u>. The Company is not an "ineligible issuer" and is a "well-known seasoned issuer," in each case, as defined under the 1933 Act, at the times specified in the 1933 Act in connection with the offering of the Securities.
- (w) <u>Broadcasting Operations</u>. Except as disclosed in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and Prospectus or as would not individually or in the aggregate result in a Material Adverse Effect, the Company and its subsidiaries hold all material Federal Communications Commission (the "<u>FCC</u>") permits, licenses, authorizations and approvals for its broadcast stations (collectively, the "<u>Authorizations</u>") that are necessary to conduct their respective businesses in the manner in which they are currently being conducted; the

Authorizations are in full force and effect; the operations of the stations owned or operated by the Company or any of its subsidiaries (the "Stations") are in all material respects in compliance with the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules, regulations, written policies and decisions of the FCC thereunder (collectively, the "Communications Act"); and all reports and documents that are required by the Communications Act to be filed with respect to the ownership, management or operation of the Stations have been duly and timely filed.

#### 2. Sale and Delivery to Underwriters; Closing.

- (a) <u>Securities</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, 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 the price set forth in <u>Schedule 2</u> hereto, the aggregate principal amount of the Securities set forth in <u>Schedule 1</u> hereto opposite the name of such Underwriter plus any additional principal amount of the Securities which such Underwriter may become obligated to purchase pursuant to the provisions of Section 10 hereof.
- (b) <u>Payment</u>. Payment of the purchase price for, and delivery of, the Securities shall be made at the offices of the Company, 1515 Broadway, New York, New York 10036, or at such other place as shall be agreed upon by the Representatives and the Company, at 9:00 A.M. (Eastern time) on March 29, 2022 (unless postponed in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 hereof), or such other time not later than ten business days after such date as shall be agreed upon by the Representatives and the Company (such time and date of payment and delivery being herein called the "<u>Closing Time</u>").

Payment shall be made to the Company by wire transfer of immediately available funds to a bank account designated by the Company, against delivery to the Representatives for the respective accounts of the Underwriters of the Securities to be purchased by them. It is understood that each Underwriter has authorized the Representatives, for its account, to accept delivery of, receipt for, and make payment of the purchase price for, the Securities which it has severally agreed to purchase. The Representatives, individually and not as representatives of the Underwriters, may (but shall not be obligated to) make payment of the purchase price for the Securities to be purchased by any Underwriter whose funds have not been received by the Closing Time, but such payment shall not relieve such Underwriter from its obligations hereunder. Delivery of the Securities shall be made through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), Clearstream Luxembourg Banking, société anonyme, or Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System, unless the Representatives shall otherwise instruct.

#### (c) Restrictions on Resale.

References in this Section 2(c) to Regulations or Directives include, in relation to the United Kingdom, those Regulations or Directives as they form part of United Kingdom domestic law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 or have been implemented in United Kingdom domestic law, as appropriate.

- (i) Each Underwriter agrees that it will not offer, sell or deliver any of the Securities, directly or indirectly, or distribute the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus or any other offering material relating to the Securities, in or from any jurisdiction except under circumstances that will, to the best knowledge and belief of such Underwriter after reasonable investigation, result in compliance with the applicable laws and regulations thereof and which will not impose any obligations on the Company except as set forth in this Underwriting Agreement.
- (ii) Each Underwriter represents and agrees that the Time of Sale Prospectus and Prospectus are for distribution only to, and directed only at, (1) persons outside the United Kingdom, (2) persons with professional experience in matters relating to investments falling within Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005 (as amended, the "Financial Promotion Order"), (3) persons falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) ("high net worth companies, unincorporated associations etc.") of the Financial Promotion Order and (4) persons to whom an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("FSMA")) in connection with the issue or sale of any Securities may otherwise lawfully be communicated or caused to be communicated.
  - (iii) Each Underwriter represents and agrees that:
- (1) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of the Securities in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Company; and
- (2) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Securities in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.
  - (iv) Each Underwriter represents and agrees that:
- (1) the Securities are not intended to be offered, sold or otherwise made available to and should not be offered, sold or otherwise made available to any retail investor in the European Economic Area ("<u>EEA</u>") or the United Kingdom ("<u>UK</u>"); and
- (2) no key information document required by Regulation (EU) No 1286/2014 (as amended, the "<u>PRIIPs Regulation</u>") for offering or selling the Securities or otherwise making them available to retail investors in the EEA or the UK has been prepared and therefore offering or selling the Securities or otherwise making them available to any retail investor in the EEA or the UK may be unlawful under the PRIIPs Regulation.

For purposes of this Section 2(c)(iv), a retail investor means a person who is one (or more) of the following: (i) a retail client as defined in point (11) of Article 4(1) of Directive 2014/65/EU (as amended, "MiFID II"), (ii) a customer within the meaning of Directive EU 2016/97 (as amended, the "Insurance Distribution Directive"), where that customer would not qualify as a professional client as defined in point (10) of Article 4(1) of MiFID II, or (iii) a person who is not a qualified investor as defined in Regulation (EU) No. 2017/1129 (as amended, the "Prospectus Regulation").

For the purposes of this Section 2(c)(iv), the expression "offer" includes the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Securities to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe for the Securities.

- (v) Each Underwriter represents and agrees that the Securities will be sold only to purchasers purchasing, or deemed to be purchasing, as principal that are "accredited investors", as defined in National Instrument 45-106 *Prospectus Exemptions* or subsection 73.3(1) of the *Securities Act* (Ontario), and are "permitted clients", as defined in National Instrument 31-103 *Registration Requirements*, *Exemptions and Ongoing Registrant Obligations* and any resale of the Securities will be made in accordance with an exemption from, or in a transaction not subject to, the prospectus requirements of applicable securities laws.
- (d) <u>Free Writing Prospectuses</u>. (i) The Company represents and agrees that, other than the final term sheet substantially in the form of <u>Annex C</u> hereto, without the prior consent of the Representatives, it has not made and will not make any offer relating to the Securities that would constitute a "free writing prospectus" as defined in Rule 405 under the 1933 Act; (ii) each Underwriter represents and agrees that, other than the final term sheet substantially in the form of <u>Annex C</u> hereto, without the prior consent of the Company, it has not made and will not make any offer relating to the Securities that would constitute a free writing prospectus; and (iii) any such free writing prospectus, the use and content of which have been consented to by the Company and the Representatives (including the final term sheet substantially in the form of <u>Annex C</u> hereto) is listed on <u>Annex A</u> hereto. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Company consents to the use by any Underwriter of a free writing prospectus that contains only (A) information describing only the preliminary terms of the Securities or their offering and that is included in the final term sheet of the Company contemplated in clause (i) above, or (B) other information that is not "issuer information," as defined in Rule 433 under the 1933 Act.
- 3. <u>Covenants of the Company</u>. The Company covenants with each Underwriter, as follows:
- (a) <u>Compliance with Securities Regulations and Commission Requests</u>. The Company, subject to Section 3(b) hereof, will comply with the requirements of Rule 430A, 430B or 430C of the 1933 Act Regulations and Rule 462(b) under the 1933 Act Regulations, if and as applicable, will file any free writing prospectus to the extent required by Rule 433 under the 1933 Act, and will notify the Representatives immediately, and confirm the notice in writing, of (i) the effectiveness of any post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement or the filing of any supplement or amendment to the Prospectus, (ii) the receipt of any comments from the Commission, (iii) any request by the Commission for any amendment to the Registration Statement or any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus or for additional information, and (iv) the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or of any order preventing or suspending the use of the Prospectus, or of the suspension of the qualification of the Securities for offering or sale in any jurisdiction, or of

the initiation or threatening of any proceedings for any of such purposes. The Company will promptly effect the filings necessary pursuant to Rule 424 and will take such steps as it deems necessary to ascertain promptly whether the Prospectus transmitted for filing under Rule 424 was received for filing by the Commission and, in the event that it was not, will promptly file the Prospectus. The Company will make every reasonable effort to prevent the issuance of any stop order and, if any stop order is issued, to obtain the lifting thereof at the earliest possible moment.

- (b) <u>Filing of Amendments</u>. Until the Closing Time, the Company will advise the Representatives promptly of its intention to file or prepare any amendment to the Registration Statement, any amendment, supplement or revision to the Prospectus, or any free writing prospectus, will furnish the Representatives with copies of any such documents or communications a reasonable amount of time prior to such proposed filing or use, as the case may be, and will not file or use any such document or communication to which the Representatives or counsel for the Underwriters shall reasonably object on a timely basis, unless, in the judgment of the Company or its counsel, such amendment or supplement or other document or communication is necessary to comply with law.
- (c) <u>Delivery of Registration Statements</u>. The Company has furnished or, if requested in writing by the Representatives, will deliver to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters, without charge, signed copies of the Registration Statement as originally filed and of each amendment thereto (including exhibits filed therewith or incorporated by reference therein and documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference therein) and signed copies of all consents and certificates of experts, and will also deliver to the Representatives, without charge, one conformed copy of the Registration Statement as originally filed and of each amendment thereto (without exhibits) for each of the Underwriters.
- (d) <u>Delivery of Prospectuses</u>. The Company will furnish to each Underwriter, without charge, during the period when the Prospectus is required by the 1933 Act or the 1934 Act to be delivered (including in circumstances where such requirement may be satisfied pursuant to Rule 172), such number of copies of the Prospectus and each free writing prospectus as such Underwriter may reasonably request.
- (e) <u>Continued Compliance with Securities Laws</u>. The Company will comply in all material respects with the 1933 Act and the 1934 Act Regulations so as to permit the completion of the distribution of the Securities as contemplated in this Underwriting Agreement and in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus. If at any time when the Prospectus is required by the 1933 Act or the 1934 Act to be delivered (including in circumstances where such requirement may be satisfied pursuant to Rule 172 under the 1933 Act) in connection with sales of the Securities, any event shall occur or condition shall exist as a result of which it is necessary, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, after consultation with counsel for the Underwriters, to amend the Registration Statement in order that the Registration Statement 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 or to amend or supplement the Preliminary Prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus will not include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the

statements therein not misleading in the light of the circumstances existing at the time it is delivered to a purchaser, or if it shall be necessary, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, at any such time to amend the Registration Statement or amend or supplement the Preliminary Prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus in order to comply with the requirements of the 1933 Act or the 1933 Act Regulations, the Company will promptly prepare and file with the Commission, subject to Section 3(b) hereof, such amendment or supplement as may be necessary to correct such statement or omission or to make the Registration Statement, the Preliminary Prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus or the Prospectus comply with such requirements, and the Company will furnish to the Underwriters, without charge, such number of copies of such amendment or supplement as the Underwriters may reasonably request.

- (f) <u>Blue Sky Qualifications</u>. The Company will use its best efforts, in cooperation with the Underwriters, to qualify the Securities for offering and sale under the applicable securities laws of such states and other jurisdictions (domestic or foreign) as the Representatives may designate and to maintain such qualifications in effect for so long as required for the distribution of the Securities; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, the Company shall not be obligated to file any general consent to service of process or to qualify as a foreign corporation or as a dealer in securities in any jurisdiction in which it is not so qualified or to subject itself to taxation in respect of doing business in any jurisdiction in which it is not otherwise so subject.
- (g) <u>Earnings Statement</u>. The Company will timely file such reports pursuant to the 1934 Act as are necessary in order to make generally available to its securityholders an earnings statement for the purposes of, and to provide the benefits contemplated by, the last paragraph of Section 11(a) of the 1933 Act. The Company may elect to rely upon Rule 158 under the 1933 Act and may elect to make such earnings statement available more frequently than once in any period of twelve months.
- (h) <u>DTC</u>. The Company will cooperate with the Representatives and use its reasonable best efforts to permit the Securities to be eligible for clearance and settlement through the facilities of DTC.
- (i) <u>Reporting Requirements</u>. The Company, during the period when the Prospectus is required to be delivered under the 1933 Act or the 1934 Act, will file all documents required to be filed with the Commission pursuant to the 1934 Act within the time periods required by the 1934 Act and the 1934 Act Regulations.
- (j) <u>Record Retention</u>. The Company will, to the extent required under Rule 433 under the 1933 Act, retain copies of each free writing prospectus that it has used and not filed with the Commission.
- 4. <u>Payment of Expenses</u>. The Company will pay all expenses incident to the performance of its obligations under this Underwriting Agreement, including (i) the preparation, printing and filing of the Registration Statement (including financial statements and any schedules or exhibits and any document incorporated therein by reference) as originally filed and of each amendment or supplement thereto, (ii) the preparation, printing and delivery to the Underwriters of this Underwriting Agreement, any agreement among Underwriters, the Indenture and such other documents as may be required in connection with the offering, purchase, sale, issuance or

delivery of the Securities, (iii) the preparation, issuance and delivery of the Securities and any certificates for the Securities to the Underwriters, including any transfer taxes and any stamp or other duties payable upon the sale, issuance or delivery of the Securities to the Underwriters and any charges of DTC in connection therewith, (iv) the reasonable documented fees and disbursements of the Company's counsel, accountants and other advisors or agents (including transfer agents and registrars), as well as the fees and disbursements of the Trustee and its counsel, (v) the qualification of the Securities under state securities laws in accordance with the provisions of Section 3(f) hereof, including filing fees and the reasonable documented fees and disbursements of counsel for the Underwriters in connection with the preparation, printing and delivery of the Blue Sky Survey, and any amendment thereto, (vi) the printing and delivery to the Underwriters of copies of the Prospectus and any amendments or supplements thereto, (vii) the fees charged by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations for the rating of the Securities, (viii) the filing fees incident to, and the reasonable documented fees and disbursements of counsel to the Underwriters in connection with, the review, if any, by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority of the terms of the Securities and (ix) the filing fees payable to the Commission in connection with the registration therewith of the Securities.

- 5. <u>Conditions of Underwriters' Obligations</u>. The obligations of the several Underwriters to purchase and pay for the Securities under this Underwriting Agreement are subject to the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Company contained in Section 1 hereof or in certificates of any officer of the Company or any of its subsidiaries delivered pursuant to the provisions hereof, to the performance by the Company of its covenants and other obligations hereunder, and to the following further conditions:
- (a) <u>Effectiveness of Registration Statement</u>. No stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement shall have been issued under the 1933 Act and no proceedings for that purpose, pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) under the 1933 Act or pursuant to Section 8A of the 1933 Act, shall have been instituted or be pending or threatened by the Commission. A prospectus containing information relating to the description of the Securities, the specific method of distribution and similar matters shall have been filed with the Commission in accordance with Rule 424 under the 1933 Act Regulations.
- (b) <u>Opinion of Counsel for Company</u>. At the Closing Time, the Representatives shall have received the favorable opinion, dated as of the Closing Time, of Shearman & Sterling LLP, counsel for the Company, and the general counsel of the Company or an associate or deputy general counsel of the Company that practices in the area of corporate and securities law, each in form and substance satisfactory to counsel for the Underwriters, together with signed or reproduced copies of such letter for each of the other Underwriters, with respect to such matters as the Underwriters may reasonably request.
- (c) <u>Opinion of Counsel for Underwriters</u>. At the Closing Time, the Representatives shall have received the favorable opinion, dated as of the Closing Time, of Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, together with signed or reproduced copies of such letter for each of the other Underwriters, with respect to such matters as the Underwriters may reasonably request.

- (d) <u>Officers' Certificate</u>. At the Closing Time, the Representatives shall have received a certificate of an Executive Vice President, or a Senior Vice President or a Vice President of the Company and of the chief financial officer, Treasurer or chief accounting officer of the Company, dated as of the Closing Time, to the effect that (i) the representations and warranties in Section 1 are true and correct with the same force and effect as though expressly made at and as of the Closing Time, (ii) the Company has complied with all agreements and satisfied all conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied in the Indenture or this Underwriting Agreement at or prior to the Closing Time, and (iii) no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued and no proceedings for that purpose have been instituted, are pending or, to the best of such officer's knowledge, are threatened by the Commission.
- (e) <u>Accountant's Comfort Letter</u>. At the time of the execution of this Underwriting Agreement, the Representatives shall have received from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP a letter dated such date, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives, together with signed or reproduced copies of such letter for each of the other Underwriters, containing statements and information of the type ordinarily included in accountants' "comfort letters" to underwriters with respect to the financial statements and certain financial information contained or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Time of Sale Prospectus and the Prospectus.
- (f) <u>Bring-down Comfort Letter</u>. At the Closing Time, the Representatives shall have received from PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP a letter, dated as of the Closing Time, to the effect that they reaffirm the statements made in the letters furnished pursuant to subsection (e) of this Section 5, except that the specified date referred to shall be a date not more than three business days prior to the Closing Time.
- (g) <u>Ratings</u>. Subsequent to the execution of this Underwriting Agreement and prior to the Closing Time, there shall not have occurred any downgrading in the rating of any debt securities of the Company by S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global Inc., Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or Fitch Ratings, Inc. or any public announcement that any such organization has under surveillance or review its rating of any debt securities of the Company (other than an announcement with positive implications of a possible upgrading, and no implication of a possible downgrading, of such rating).
- (h) <u>Additional Documents</u>. At the Closing Time, counsel for the Underwriters shall have been furnished with such documents and opinions as they may reasonably require for the purpose of enabling them to pass upon the issuance and sale of the Securities as herein contemplated, or in order to evidence the accuracy of any of the representations or warranties, or the fulfillment of any of the conditions, herein contained; and all proceedings taken by the Company in connection with the issuance and sale of the Securities as herein contemplated shall be reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters.

#### 6. Indemnification.

- (a) <u>Indemnification of Underwriters</u>. The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter and each person, if any, who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of Section 15 of the 1933 Act or Section 20 of the 1934 Act as follows:
  - (i) against any and all loss, liability, claim and damage whatsoever, as incurred, arising out of any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement (or any amendment thereto) or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading or arising out of any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact included in the Base Prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus, the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), any written communication listed on Annex B hereto, or any free writing prospectus that the Company has filed, or is required to file, pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the 1933 Act, or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading;
  - (ii) against any and all loss, liability, claim and damage whatsoever, as incurred, to the extent of the aggregate amount paid in settlement of any litigation, or any investigation or proceeding by any governmental agency or body, commenced or threatened, or any claim whatsoever based upon any such untrue statement or omission, or any such alleged untrue statement or omission; <u>provided</u> that any such settlement is effected with the written consent of the Company; and
  - (iii) against any and all out of pocket expense as reasonably incurred (including, subject to the limitations set forth in Section 6(c) hereof, the fees and disbursements of counsel chosen by the Representatives), in investigating, preparing or defending against any litigation, or any investigation or proceeding by any governmental agency or body, commenced or threatened, or any claim whatsoever based upon any such untrue statement or omission, or any such alleged untrue statement or omission, to the extent that any such expense is not paid under (i) or (ii) above;

provided, however, that this indemnity agreement shall not apply to any loss, liability, claim, damage or expense (A) to the extent arising out of any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement (or any amendment thereto) or the Base Prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus, the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), any written communication listed on Annex B hereto, or any free writing prospectus that the Company has filed, or is required to file, pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the 1933 Act; or (B) to the extent arising out of or based upon any untrue statement or omission or alleged untrue statement or omission made in reliance upon Form T-1 under the 1939 Act filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement.

(b) <u>Indemnification of Company, Directors and Officers</u>. Each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company, its directors, each of its officers who signed the Registration Statement, and each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of Section 15 of the 1933 Act or Section 20 of the 1934 Act against any and all loss, liability, claim, damage and expense described in the indemnity contained in subsection (a) of this Section 6, as incurred, but only with respect to untrue statements or omissions, or alleged untrue statements or omissions, made in the Registration Statement (or any amendment thereto), the Base Prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus, the Prospectus (or any

amendment or supplement thereto), any written communication listed on <u>Annex B</u> hereto, or any free writing prospectus that the Company has filed, or is required to file, pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the 1933 Act in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement (or any amendment thereto), such Base Prospectus, the Time of Sale Prospectus, the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), any written communication listed on <u>Annex B</u> hereto, or such free writing prospectus that the Company has filed, or is required to file, pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the 1933 Act. This indemnity agreement will be in addition to any liabilities which any Underwriter may otherwise have.

(c) <u>Actions Against Parties</u>; <u>Notification</u>. Each indemnified party shall promptly give written notice to each indemnifying party of any action commenced against it in respect of which indemnity may be sought hereunder, but failure to so notify an indemnifying party shall not relieve such indemnifying party from any liability hereunder to the extent it is not materially prejudiced as a result thereof and in any event shall not relieve it from any liability which it may have otherwise than on account of this indemnity agreement. The indemnifying party shall be entitled to appoint counsel of the indemnifying party's choice at the indemnifying party's expense to represent the indemnified party in any action for which indemnification is sought (in which case the indemnifying party shall not thereafter be responsible for the fees and expenses of any separate counsel retained by the indemnified party or parties except as set forth below); provided, however, that such counsel shall be reasonably satisfactory to the indemnified party. Any indemnified party shall have the right to employ separate counsel in any such action, but the fees and expenses of such separate counsel shall be at the expense of the indemnified party unless (i) the employment of such counsel shall have been specifically authorized in writing by the indemnifying party, (ii) the indemnifying party shall have failed promptly to assume the defense and employ counsel or (iii) the named parties to any such action shall include both the indemnified party and the indemnifying party, and such indemnified party shall have been advised by counsel that there may be one or more legal defenses available to it which are different from, or additional to, those available to the indemnifying party, it being understood, however, that the indemnifying party shall not, in connection with any one such action or separate but substantially similar or related actions in the same jurisdiction arising out of the same general allegations or circumstances, be liable for the reasonable fees and expenses of more than one separate firm of attorneys (in addition to any local counsel) for all such indemnified parties, which firm shall be designated in writing by the Representatives on behalf of all of such indemnified parties. No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written consent of the indemnified parties, settle or compromise or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to any litigation, or any investigation or proceeding by any governmental agency or body, commenced or threatened, or any claim whatsoever in respect of which indemnification or contribution could be sought under this Section 6 or Section 7 hereof, unless such settlement, compromise or consent includes an unconditional release of each indemnified party from all liability arising out of such litigation, investigation, proceeding or claim.

7. <u>Contribution</u>. If the indemnification provided for in Section 6 hereof is for any reason unavailable to or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party in respect of any losses, liabilities, claims, damages or expenses referred to therein, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the aggregate amount of such losses, liabilities, claims, damages and expenses incurred by such indemnified party, as incurred, (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect

the relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, from the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Underwriting Agreement or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) above but also the relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and of the Underwriters, on the other hand, in connection with the statements or omissions which resulted in such losses, liabilities, claims, damages or expenses, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations.

The relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, in connection with the offering of the Securities under this Underwriting Agreement shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the total net proceeds from the offering of such Securities (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 of the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether any such untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company or by the Underwriters and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement or omission.

The Company and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 7 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 Section 7.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 7, no Underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Securities 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 any 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 1933 Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation.

For purposes of this Section 7, each person, if any, who controls an Underwriter within the meaning of Section 15 of the 1933 Act or Section 20 of the 1934 Act shall have the same rights to contribution as such Underwriter, and each director of the Company, each officer of the Company who signed the Registration Statement, and each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of Section 15 of the 1933 Act or Section 20 of the 1934 Act shall have the same rights to contribution as the Company. The Underwriters' respective obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 7 are several in proportion to the aggregate principal amount of Securities set forth opposite their respective names in Schedule 1 hereto, and not joint.

8. <u>Representations</u>, <u>Warranties and Agreements to Survive Delivery</u>. All representations, warranties and agreements contained in this Underwriting Agreement or in certificates of officers of the Company or any of its subsidiaries submitted pursuant hereto shall remain operative and in full force and effect, regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of any Underwriter or controlling person, or by or on behalf of the Company, and shall survive delivery of and payment for the Securities.

#### 9. Termination.

- (a) <u>Underwriting Agreement</u>. The Representatives may terminate this Underwriting Agreement, by notice to the Company, at any time at or prior to the Closing Time, if on or after the date hereof (i) there has occurred any material adverse change in the financial markets in the United States or any new outbreak of hostilities or escalation thereof involving the United States, in each case the effect of which is such as to make it, in the reasonable judgment of the Representatives, impracticable to market the Securities or to enforce contracts for the sale of the Securities, or (ii) trading in any securities of the Company has been suspended by the Commission or The Nasdaq Global Select Market (other than pursuant to a request by the Company with respect to an announcement by the Company of certain information not constituting a material adverse change, since the date of the Underwriting Agreement, in the consolidated financial condition or earnings of the Company and its subsidiaries, considered as one enterprise), the effect of which is such as to make it, in the reasonable judgment of the Representatives, impracticable to market the Securities or to enforce contracts for the sale of the Securities, or (iii) trading generally on the The Nasdaq Global Select Market or the New York Stock Exchange has been suspended or materially limited, or minimum or maximum prices for trading have been fixed, or maximum ranges for prices have been required, by such exchange or by such system or by order of the Commission or any other governmental authority, or (iv) a banking moratorium has been declared by either Federal or New York authorities.
- (b) <u>Liabilities</u>. If this Underwriting Agreement is terminated pursuant to this Section 9, such termination shall be without liability of any party to any other party except as provided in Section 4 hereof, and provided further that Sections 6, 7, 8, this paragraph 9(b) and Sections 16 and 17 hereof shall survive such termination and remain in full force and effect; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, if any condition specified in Section 5 hereof shall not have been fulfilled when and as required to be fulfilled, this Underwriting Agreement may be terminated by the Representatives by notice to the Company at any time at or prior to the Closing Time, and such termination shall be without liability of any other party except that (i) the Company shall reimburse the Underwriters for all their reasonable out of pocket expenses including the reasonable fees and expenses of counsel for the Underwriters and (ii) the provisions of Sections 6, 7, 8, this paragraph 9(b) and Sections 16 and 17 hereof shall survive such termination and remain in full force and effect.
- 10. <u>Default by One or More of the Underwriters</u>. If one or more of the Underwriters shall fail at the Closing Time to purchase the Securities which it or they are obligated to purchase under this Underwriting Agreement (the "<u>Defaulted Securities</u>"), then the Representatives shall have the right, within 24 hours thereafter, to make arrangements for one or more of the non-defaulting Underwriters, or any other underwriters, to purchase all, but not less than all, of the Defaulted Securities in such amounts as may be agreed upon and upon the terms herein set forth; if, however, the Representatives shall not have completed such arrangements within such 24-hour period, then:

- (a) if the number or aggregate principal amount, as the case may be, of Defaulted Securities does not exceed 10% of the aggregate principal amount of Securities set forth on Schedule 1 hereto, the non-defaulting Underwriters shall be obligated, severally and not jointly, to purchase the full amount thereof in the proportions that their respective underwriting obligations hereunder bear to the underwriting obligations of all non-defaulting Underwriters or in such other proportions as the Representatives may specify, or
- (b) if the number or aggregate principal amount, as the case may be, of Defaulted Securities exceeds 10% of the aggregate principal amount of Securities set forth on <u>Schedule 1</u> hereto, the non-defaulting Underwriters shall have the right to purchase all, but shall not be under any obligation to purchase any, of the Securities, and if such non-defaulting Underwriters do not purchase all the Securities, this Underwriting Agreement will terminate without liability to any non-defaulting Underwriter or the Company.

No action taken pursuant to this Section 10 shall relieve any defaulting Underwriter from liability in respect of its default.

In the event of any such default which does not result in a termination of this Underwriting Agreement, either the Representatives or the Company shall have the right to postpone the Closing Time for a period not exceeding seven days in order to effect any required changes in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus or in any other documents or arrangements.

11. <u>Notices</u>. All notices and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if mailed, electronically transmitted or transmitted by any standard form of telecommunication to the parties hereto as follows:

If to the Underwriters, notices shall be directed to the Representatives:

BofA Securities, Inc. 1540 Broadway NY8-540-26-02 New York, NY 10036

Attention: High Grade Transaction Management/Legal

Facsimile: (212) 901-7881

Email: dg.hg\_ua\_notices@bofa.com

Citigroup Global Markets Inc. 388 Greenwich Street New York, New York 10013 Attention: General Counsel Facsimile: (646) 291-1469 Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. 1 Columbus Circle New York, New York 10019

Attention: Debt Capital Markets Syndicate, with a copy to General Counsel

Facsimile: (646) 374-1071

J.P. Morgan Securities LLC 383 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10179

Attention: Investment Grade Syndicate Desk

Facsimile: (212) 834-6081

#### If to the Company:

Paramount Global 1515 Broadway New York, New York 10036 Attention: General Counsel Email: legalnotices@viacomcbs.com

12. <u>Parties</u>. This Underwriting Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Company, the Representatives and the other Underwriters and their respective successors. Nothing expressed or mentioned in this Underwriting Agreement is intended or shall be construed to give any person, firm or corporation, other than the Underwriters and the Company and their respective successors and the controlling persons and officers and directors referred to in Sections 6 and 7 hereof and their heirs and legal representatives, any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or in respect of this Underwriting Agreement or any provision herein contained. This Underwriting Agreement and all conditions and provisions hereof are intended to be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors, and said controlling persons and officers and directors and their heirs and legal representatives, and for the benefit of no other person, firm or corporation. No purchaser of Securities from any Underwriter shall be deemed to be a successor by reason merely of such purchase.

### 13. Recognition of the U.S. Special Resolution Regimes.

- (a) In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, the transfer from such Underwriter of this Underwriting Agreement, and any interest and obligation in or under this Underwriting Agreement, will be effective to the same extent as the transfer would be effective under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if this Underwriting Agreement, and any such interest and obligation, were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States.
- (b) In the event that any Underwriter that is a Covered Entity or a BHC Act Affiliate of such Underwriter becomes subject to a proceeding under a U.S. Special Resolution Regime, Default Rights under this Underwriting Agreement that may be exercised against such Underwriter are permitted to be exercised to no greater extent than such Default Rights could be exercised under the U.S. Special Resolution Regime if this Underwriting Agreement were governed by the laws of the United States or a state of the United States.

For purposes of this Section 13:

- (i) "BHC Act Affiliate" has the meaning assigned to the term "affiliate" in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 U.S.C. § 1841(k);
- (ii) "Covered Entity" means any of the following: (1) a "covered entity" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 252.82(b); (2) a "covered bank" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 47.3(b); or (3) a "covered FSI" as that term is defined in, and interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. § 382.2(b);
- (iii) "Default Right" has the meaning assigned to that term in, and shall be interpreted in accordance with, 12 C.F.R. §§ 252.81, 47.2 or 382.1, as applicable; and
- (iv) "<u>U.S. Special Resolution Regime</u>" means each of (1) the Federal Deposit Insurance Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder and (2) Title II of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 14. <u>Contractual Acknowledgment with Respect to the Exercise of Bail-In Powers</u>. Notwithstanding and to the exclusion of any other term of this Underwriting Agreement or any other agreements, arrangements or understandings between the Company and the Underwriters, the Company acknowledges and accepts that a BRRD Liability (as defined below) arising under this Underwriting Agreement may be subject to the exercise of Bail-in Powers (as defined below) by the Relevant Resolution Authority (as defined below), and acknowledges, accepts and agrees to be bound by:
- (a) the effect of the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority in relation to any BRRD Liability of the Underwriters (the "<u>Relevant BRRD Party</u>") to the Company under this Underwriting Agreement, that (without limitation) may include and result in any of the following, or some combination thereof;
  - (b) the reduction of all, or a portion, of the BRRD Liability or outstanding amounts due thereon;
- (c) the conversion of all, or a portion, of the BRRD Liability into shares, other securities or other obligations of the Relevant BRRD Party or another person, and the issue to or conferral on the Company of such shares, securities or obligations;
  - (d) the cancellation of the BRRD Liability;
- (e) the amendment or alteration of any interest, if applicable, thereon, the maturity, or the dates on which any payments are due, including by suspending payment for a temporary period; and

(f) the variation of the terms of this Underwriting Agreement, as deemed necessary by the Relevant Resolution Authority, to give effect to the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority.

For purposes of this Section 14:

- (i) "Bail-in Legislation" means in relation to a member state of the European Economic Area which has implemented, or which at any time implements, the BRRD, the relevant implementing law, regulation, rule or requirement as described in the EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule from time to time:
- (ii) "Bail-in Powers" means any Write-down and Conversion Powers as defined in the EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule, in relation to the relevant Bail-in Legislation;
- (iii) "BRRD" means Directive 2014/59/EU establishing a framework for the recovery and resolution of credit institutions and investment firms;
- (iv) "BRRD Liability" means a liability in respect of which the relevant Write Down and Conversion Powers in the applicable Bail-in Legislation may be exercised;
- (v) "EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule" means the document described as such, then in effect, and published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor person) from time to time at http://www.lma.eu.com; and
- (vi) "Relevant Resolution Authority." means the resolution authority with the ability to exercise any Bail-in Powers in relation to the Relevant BRRD Party.
- 15. No Fiduciary Relationship. The Company acknowledges and agrees that (i) the purchase and sale of the Securities pursuant to this Underwriting Agreement are entered into on an arm's-length basis 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 purchase and sale, each Underwriter is acting solely as a principal and not the agent or fiduciary of the Company, either before or after the date hereof, (iii) no Underwriter has assumed an advisory or fiduciary responsibility in favor of the Company 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 except the obligations expressly set forth in this Underwriting Agreement and (iv) none of the activities of the Underwriters in connection with the transactions contemplated herein constitutes a recommendation, investment advice, or solicitation of any action by the Underwriters with respect to any entity or natural person. The Company and the Underwriters agree that they are each responsible for making their own independent judgments with respect to any such transactions. The Company 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, in connection with such transactions or the process leading thereto.

- 16. <u>Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. Each party hereto 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 Underwriting Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby.
- 17. <u>GOVERNING LAW</u>. THIS UNDERWRITING AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK WITHOUT REGARD TO THE PRINCIPLES OF CONFLICTS OF LAWS THEREOF.
- 18. Effect of Headings. The Article and Section headings herein and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.
- 19. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Underwriting Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be an original, with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were on the same instrument. Electronic signatures complying with the New York Electronic Signatures and Records Act (N.Y. State Tech. §§ 301-309), as amended from time to time, or other applicable law will be deemed original signatures for purposes of this Underwriting Agreement.

If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding of our agreement, please sign and return to the Company a counterpart hereof, whereupon this Underwriting Agreement, along with all counterparts, will become a binding agreement among each of the Underwriters and the Company in accordance with its terms.

Very truly yours,

PARAMOUNT GLOBAL

By: <u>/s/ James C. Morrison</u> Name: James C. Morrison

Title: Executive Vice President, Treasurer

[Signature Page to Underwriting Agreement]

Accepted: March 24, 2022

For themselves and on behalf of the several Underwriters listed in Schedule 1 hereto.

#### BOFA SECURITIES, INC.

By: /s/ Sandeep Chawla

Name: Sandeep Chawla Title: Managing Director

#### CITIGROUP GLOBAL MARKETS INC.

By: /s/ Brian D. Bednarski

Name: Brian D. Bednarski Title: Managing Director

## DEUTSCHE BANK SECURITIES INC.

By: /s/ Ritu Ketkar

Name: Ritu Ketkar Title: Managing Director

By: /s/ Kevin Prior

Name: Kevin Prior Title: Director

## J.P. MORGAN SECURITIES LLC

By: /s/ Som Bhattacharyya

Name: Som Bhattacharyya Title: Executive Director

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## SCHEDULE 1

Underwriter	Principal Amount of Securities	
BofA Securities, Inc.	\$	130,000,000
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.		130,000,000
Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.		130,000,000
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC		130,000,000
RBC Capital Markets, LLC		42,500,000
R. Seelaus & Co., LLC		42,500,000
U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc.		42,500,000
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC		42,500,000
BNP Paribas Securities Corp.		30,000,000
Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC		30,000,000
Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC		30,000,000
Mizuho Securities USA LLC		30,000,000
SG Americas Securities, LLC		20,000,000
SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc.		20,000,000
TD Securities (USA) LLC		20,000,000
BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC		15,000,000
ICBC Standard Bank Plc		15,000,000
Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A.		15,000,000
Siebert Williams Shank & Co., LLC		15,000,000
Truist Securities, Inc.		15,000,000
Academy Securities, Inc.		13,750,000
CastleOak Securities, L.P.		13,750,000
Loop Capital Markets LLC		13,750,000
Samuel A. Ramirez & Company, Inc.		13,750,000
Total	\$	1,000,000,000

#### **SCHEDULE 2**

- 1. The initial offering price for the Securities shall be a percentage of the principal amount thereof as follows: 100.000%, plus accrued interest, if any, from March 29, 2022, if settlement occurs after that date.
- 2. The purchase price to be paid by the Underwriters for the Securities shall be a percentage of the principal amount thereof as follows: 99.000%, plus accrued interest, if any, from March 29, 2022, if settlement occurs after that date.

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## ANNEX A

## FREE WRITING PROSPECTUSES

• Final Term Sheet dated March 24, 2022, substantially in the form of Annex C

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## ANNEX B

## WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

• Electronic road show presentation dated March 24, 2022

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#### ANNEX C

#### PARAMOUNT GLOBAL

#### FINAL TERM SHEET

\$1.0 billion principal amount of 6.375% Fixed-to-Fixed Rate Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2062

The information in this pricing term sheet relates only to the offering of the 6.375% Fixed-to-Fixed Rate Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2062 (the "Debentures"), and should be read together with (i) the preliminary prospectus supplement dated March 24, 2022 relating to the Debentures (the "Preliminary Prospectus Supplement"), as filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act and (ii) the related base prospectus dated March 27, 2020, included in the Registration Statement (File No. 333-237426), in each case of the foregoing clauses (i) through (ii), including the documents incorporated by reference therein. Terms not defined in this pricing term sheet have the meanings given to such terms in the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement. All references to dollar amounts are references to U.S. dollars.

Issuer:Paramount GlobalFormat:SEC RegisteredTrade Date:March 24, 2022Settlement Date (T+3):\*March 29, 2022

Securities Offered: 6.375% Fixed-to-Fixed Rate Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2062 (the "Debentures")

Principal Amount: \$1.0 billion

Maturity: March 30, 2062

**Price to Public:** 100.000% of face amount plus accrued interest, if any, from March 29, 2022, if settlement occurs after that

date

Underwriting Discount: 1.000%

Net Proceeds (before expenses) to \$990,000,000

Interest Rate:

**Paramount Global:** 

6.375% per year from, and including, the Settlement Date to, but excluding, March 30, 2027. From and including March 30, 2027, at an annual rate equal to the 5-Year Treasury Rate as of the most recent Interest Rate Calculation Date plus (i) for the period from and including March 30, 2027 to, but excluding, March 30, 2032, 3.999%, (ii) for the period from and including March 30, 2032 to, but excluding, March 30, 2047, 4.249%, and (iii) for the period from and including March 30, 2047 to, but excluding, the Maturity Date, 4.999%, to be reset on each Interest Reset Date

**Interest Payment Dates:** Semi-annually on March 30 and September 30, commencing September 30, 2022

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**Optional Interest Deferral:** 

Up to 5 consecutive years per deferral

**Optional Redemption Provisions:** 

Par Call:

On March 30, 2027, or on any interest payment date thereafter

Make-Whole Call:

At any time prior to the first par call date, at a discount rate of Treasury plus 50 bps

**Call for Change of Control Event:** 

Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control Event, we may redeem the Debentures, in whole but not in part, at a redemption price equal to 101% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the date of redemption. If we elect not to redeem the Debentures following a Change of Control Event, the per annum rate of interest payable on the Debentures will be increased by an additional 5.0 percentage points.

**Call for Tax Event:** 

We may redeem the Debentures, in whole but not in part, at a redemption price equal to 100% of their principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the date of redemption, within ninety (90) days of the occurrence of certain changes in tax laws, regulations or interpretations.

**Call for Rating Agency Event:** 

We may redeem the Debentures, in whole but not in part, at a redemption price equal to 102% of their principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the date of redemption, within ninety (90) days of the date on which a rating agency makes certain changes in the equity credit criteria for securities such as the Debentures.

Use of Proceeds:

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering, after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and our other fees and expenses related to this offering for general corporate purposes, which may include repayment of outstanding indebtedness.

**Day Count:** 

**Denominations: CUSIP / ISIN:** 

30/360 Minimum of \$2,000 principal amount and integral multiples of \$1,000

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[Intentionally Omitted]

Expected Ratings:\*\*

Trustee:

Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas

BofA Securities, Inc. Citigroup Global Markets Inc. Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. J.P. Morgan Securities LLC RBC Capital Markets, LLC R. Seelaus & Co., LLC U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc. Wells Fargo Securities, LLC

Joint Book-Running Managers:

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Co-Managers:

BNP Paribas Securities Corp. Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC Mizuho Securities USA LLC SG Americas Securities, LLC SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc. TD Securities (USA) LLC BNY Mellon Capital Markets, LLC ICBC Standard Bank Plc Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A. Siebert Williams Shank & Co., LLC Truist Securities, Inc. Academy Securities, Inc. CastleOak Securities, L.P. Loop Capital Markets LLC Samuel A. Ramirez & Company, Inc.

- \* It is expected that delivery of the Debentures will be made against payment therefor in New York City on or about March 29, 2022, which will be the third business day following the date of pricing of the Debentures. Under Rule 15c6-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in two business days, unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade the Debentures on any date prior to the date that is two business days before delivery will be required, by virtue of the fact that the Debentures initially will settle in three business days (T+3), to specify alternative settlement arrangements to prevent a failed settlement.
- \*\* A securities rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time.

The Issuer has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus and a related preliminary prospectus supplement) with the SEC for the offering to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the preliminary prospectus supplement, the accompanying prospectus in that registration statement and other documents the Issuer has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the Issuer and the offering of Debentures. You may get these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC website at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, the Issuer, any underwriter or any dealer participating in the offering will arrange to send you the prospectus and prospectus supplement if you request it by calling (i) BofA Securities, Inc. toll-free at 1-800-294-1322, (ii) Citigroup Global Markets Inc. at 1-877-858-5407, (iii) Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. at 1-800-503-4611, and (iv) J.P. Morgan Securities LLC collect at 1-212-834-4533.

ANY LEGENDS, DISCLAIMERS OR OTHER NOTICES THAT MAY APPEAR BELOW ARE NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS COMMUNICATION AND SHOULD BE DISREGARDED. SUCH LEGENDS, DISCLAIMERS OR OTHER NOTICES WERE AUTOMATICALLY GENERATED AS A RESULT OF THIS COMMUNICATION BEING SENT VIA BLOOMBERG OR ANOTHER EMAIL SYSTEM.

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[EACH GLOBAL SECURITY SHALL BEAR A LEGEND IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM: Unless this certificate is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("DTC"), to the Company (as defined below) or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange or payment, and any certificate issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or such other name as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or to such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.

This Security is a Global Security within the meaning of the Indenture hereinafter referred to and is registered in the name of the Depositary or a nominee of the Depositary. This Security is exchangeable for Securities registered in the name of a person other than the Depositary or its nominee only in the limited circumstances described in the Indenture, and may not be transferred except as a whole by the Depositary to a nominee of the Depositary, by a nominee of the Depositary or another nominee of the Depositary or any such nominee to a successor Depositary or a nominee of such successor Depositary.]

#### PARAMOUNT GLOBAL

#### 6.375% Fixed-to-Fixed Rate Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2062

No. \$

CUSIP: 92556H AE7

Paramount Global (formerly known as ViacomCBS Inc.), a Delaware corporation (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 \$ on March 30, 2062 (the "Stated Maturity") at the office or agency of the Company referred to below, and to pay interest thereon (a) from, and including, March 29, 2022, to, but excluding, March 30, 2027, at an annual rate equal to 6.375%, and (b) from, and including, March 30, 2027 (the "Initial Interest Reset Date"), during each Interest Reset Period (as defined below) at an annual rate equal to the 5-Year Treasury Rate (as defined herein) as of the most recent Interest Rate Calculation Date (as defined herein) plus (i) for the period from, and including, March 30, 2032, 3.999%, (ii) for the period from, and including, March 30, 2032 to, but excluding, March 30, 2047, 4.249% and (iii) for the period from, and including, March 30, 2047, to, but excluding, the Stated Maturity, 4.999%, to be reset on each Interest Reset Date (as defined herein).

Interest shall be payable semi-annually in arrears on this Security on March 30 and September 30 of each year, beginning on September 30, 2022. Interest shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. If any Interest Payment Date or Redemption Date falls on a day that is not a Business Day, then payment of interest, principal and/or the applicable redemption price may be made on the next succeeding Business Day and no interest shall accrue because of such delayed payment.

The interest so payable, and punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date shall, as provided in such Indenture, be paid, in immediately available funds, to the Person in whose name this Security (or one or more Predecessor Securities) is registered at the close of business on the Regular Record Date for such interest, which shall be the March 15 or September 15, as the case may be, next preceding such Interest Payment Date. Subject to the Company's right to optionally defer interest payments (as described herein), any such interest not so punctually paid or duly provided for shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Holder on such Regular Record Date, and such defaulted interest, shall be paid to the Person in whose name this Security (or one or more Predecessor Securities) 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 the Holder of this Security not less than 10 days prior to such Special Record Date, or may be paid at any time in any other lawful manner, all as more fully provided in said Indenture.

The Company shall appoint a calculation agent (the "calculation agent") with respect to the Securities prior to the initial Interest Rate Calculation Date. The Company or any of its affiliates may assume the duties of the calculation agent. The calculation agent shall determine the interest rate for the Security, to become effective during the next Interest Reset Period, on each Interest Rate Calculation Date, as set forth herein. The calculation agent shall promptly notify the Trustee (and shall promptly notify the Company, if the Company or one of its affiliates is not the calculation agent), in writing, of the new interest rate, upon such determination. Upon the request of the Holder of any Securities, the calculation agent shall provide the interest rate then in effect and, if determined, the interest rate that will become effective on the next Interest Reset Date. All calculations made by the calculation agent for the purposes of calculating interest on the Securities shall be conclusive and binding on the Holders of this Security, absent manifest error.

"5-Year Treasury Rate" means, as of any Interest Rate Calculation Date, the average of the yields on actively traded U.S. Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity, for five-year maturities, for the most recent five Business Days appearing under the caption "Treasury Constant Maturities" in the most recent H.15 (as defined below).

"H.15" means the daily statistical release designated as such, or any successor publication as determined by the calculation agent in its sole discretion, published by the Board of Governors of the United States Federal Reserve System, and "most recent H.15" means the H.15 published closest in time but prior to the close of business on the applicable Interest Rate Calculation Date.

"Interest Reset Date" means the Initial Interest Reset Date and each date falling on the fifth anniversary of the preceding Interest Reset Date, beginning with the Initial Interest Reset Date.

"Interest Rate Calculation Date" means, in respect of any Interest Reset Period, the day falling one Business Day prior to the beginning of such Interest Reset Period.

"Interest Reset Period" means the period from and including the Initial Interest Reset Date to, but excluding, the next following Interest Reset Date and thereafter each period from and including each Interest Reset Date to, but excluding, the next following Interest Reset Date.

If the 5-Year Treasury Rate cannot be determined pursuant to the method described above, the calculation agent, after consulting such sources as it deems comparable to any of the foregoing calculations, or any such source as it deems reasonable from which to estimate such rate, will determine the 5-Year Treasury Rate in its sole discretion, provided that if the calculation agent determines there is an industry-accepted successor 5-Year Treasury Rate, then the calculation agent will use such successor rate. If the calculation agent has determined a substitute or successor base rate in accordance with the foregoing, the calculation agent in its sole discretion may determine the business day convention, the definition of Business Day and the Interest Rate Calculation Date to be used and any other relevant methodology for calculating such substitute or successor base rate, including any adjustment factor needed to make such substitute or successor base rate comparable to the 5-Year Treasury Rate in a manner that is consistent with industry-accepted practices for such substitute or successor base rate.

So long as no Event of Default with respect to the Securities has occurred and is continuing, at the Company's sole option, it may, on one or more occasions, defer payment of all or part of the current and accrued interest otherwise due on the Securities by extending the interest payment period for up to five consecutive years (each period, commencing on the date that the first such interest payment would otherwise have been made, an "Optional Deferral Period"). A deferral of interest payments for the Securities may not extend beyond the Stated Maturity of the Securities or end on a day other than an Interest Payment Date. Any deferred interest on the Securities shall accrue additional interest at a rate equal to the interest rate then applicable to the Securities from the applicable interest payment date to the date of payment (such additional interest accrued thereon, "Additional Interest"), to the extent permitted under applicable law. No interest will be due and payable on the Securities until the end of an Optional Deferral Period, except upon a redemption of the Securities during such Optional Deferral Period. For the avoidance of doubt, any such deferral of payment of interest during an Optional Deferral Period in compliance with this paragraph shall not be deemed to be Defaulted Interest.

At the end of an Optional Deferral Period or on any Redemption Date, the Company shall be obligated to pay all accrued and unpaid interest, including any Additional Interest, on the Securities. Once the Company pays all accrued and unpaid interest payments on the Securities, including any Additional Interest, the Company may again defer interest payments on the Securities as described above, but not beyond the Stated Maturity of the Securities.

The Company shall provide to the Trustee written notice of any optional deferral of interest at least 10 and not more than 60 Business Days prior to the earlier of (1) the next applicable Interest Payment Date or (2) the date, if any, upon which the Company is required to give notice of such Interest Payment Date or the record date therefor to any applicable self-regulatory organization. In addition, in connection with the exercise of its option to defer interest, the Company shall deliver to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate stating that no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing. Subject to receipt of the Officer's Certificate, the Trustee shall promptly forward such notice to each Holder of record of the Securities.

During an Optional Deferral Period, subject to the exceptions set forth below, the Company shall not:

- declare or pay any dividend or make any distributions with respect to, or redeem, purchase, acquire or make a liquidation payment with respect to, any of the Company's capital stock, or
- make any payment of interest, principal or premium, if any, on or repay, repurchase or redeem any debt securities (including guarantees) issued by the Company which rank equally with or junior in right of payment to the Securities.

None of the foregoing, however, shall restrict:

• any of the actions described in the preceding sentence resulting from any reclassification of the Company's capital stock or the exchange or conversion of one class or series of the Company's capital stock for another class or series of the Company's capital stock;

- the purchase of fractional interests in shares of the Company's capital stock pursuant to the conversion or exchange provisions of such capital stock or the security being converted or exchanged;
  - dividends, payments or distributions payable in shares of capital stock;
- redemptions, purchases or other acquisitions of shares of capital stock in connection with any employment contract, incentive plan, benefit plan or other similar arrangement of the Company or any of its Subsidiaries or in connection with a dividend reinvestment or stock purchase plan; or
- any declaration of a dividend in connection with implementation of any stockholders' rights plan, or the issuance of rights, stock or other property under any such plan, or the redemption, repurchase or other acquisition of any such rights pursuant thereto.

Payment of the principal of and interest on this Security will be made at the designated Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee or such other office or agency of the Company as may be designated for such purpose, 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 each installment of interest and principal on this Security may at the Company's option be paid by check to the payee or in immediately available funds by transfer to an account maintained by the payee located in the United States.

The statements set forth in the restrictive legends above are an integral part of the terms of this Security and by acceptance hereof each Holder of this Security agrees to be subject to and bound by the terms and provisions set forth in such legend.

General. This Security is one of a duly authorized issue of securities of the Company (herein called the "Securities"), unlimited in aggregate principal amount, issued and to be issued in one or more series under an indenture dated as of March 27, 2020 (as supplemented from time to time, the "Indenture") between the Company and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as trustee (herein called the "Trustee," which term includes any successor trustee under the Indenture), to which Indenture and the respective resolutions of the Company's Board of Directors or resolutions pursuant to the authority of the Board of Directors, an Officer's Certificate and/or indentures supplemental thereto, as the case may be, reference is hereby made for a statement of the respective rights, limitations of rights, duties, obligations 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. This Security is one of a series designated as 6.375% Fixed-to-Fixed Rate Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2062, initially limited in aggregate principal amount as of the date hereof to \$1,000,000,000.

<u>Authorized Denominations</u>. The Securities of this series are issuable only in registered form without coupons in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and in integral multiples of \$1,000.

Book-Entry Security. This Security is a Global Security and is being registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"). Subject to the terms of the Indenture, this Security will be held by DTC or its nominee, and beneficial interests will be held by beneficial owners through the book-entry facilities of DTC or its nominee in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and in integral multiples of \$1,000. As long as this Security is registered in the name of DTC or its nominee, the Trustee will make payments of principal of and interest on this Security by wire transfer of immediately available funds to DTC or its nominee. Notwithstanding the above, upon the maturity of this Security, the principal, together with accrued interest thereon, will be paid in immediately available funds upon surrender of this Security at the designated Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee or such other offices or agencies appointed by the Trustee for that purpose or such other locations provided in the Indenture.

Subordination. The Securities are a series of Subordinated Securities and subject to Article Sixteen of the Indenture.

<u>Redemption and Maturity</u>. The Securities are not subject to any sinking fund and are subject to redemption prior to maturity as set forth below. There will be no mandatory redemption prior to maturity.

Optional Redemption. (a) At any time and from time to time on or after March 30, 2027 (the "Par Call Date") or on any Interest Payment Date thereafter, the Securities will be redeemable, in whole or in part, at the option of the Company, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days' prior notice, at a Redemption Price equal to the sum of 100% of their principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including deferred interest, if any), to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

(b) At any time and from time to time prior to the Par Call Date, the Securities will be redeemable, in whole or in part, at the option of the Company, upon not less than 10 nor more than 60 days' prior notice, at a Redemption Price equal to the greater of: (1) (a) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest thereon discounted to the Redemption Date (assuming the notes matured on the next succeeding Redemption Date) on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Treasury Rate (as defined herein) plus 50 basis points less (b) interest accrued to the Redemption Date, and (2) 100% of the principal amount of the Securities to be redeemed, plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest (including deferred interest, if any) to, but excluding, the Redemption Date.

"Treasury Rate" means, with respect to any Redemption Date, the yield determined by the Company in accordance with the following two paragraphs.

The Treasury Rate shall be determined by the Company after 4:15 p.m., New York City time (or after such time as yields on U.S. government securities are posted daily by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System), on the third Business Day preceding the Redemption Date based upon the yield or yields for the most recent day that appear after such time on such day in the most recent H.15 under the caption "U.S. government securities—Treasury constant maturities—Nominal" (or any successor caption or heading). In determining the Treasury Rate, the Company shall select, as applicable: (1) the yield for the Treasury constant maturity on H.15 exactly equal to the period from the Redemption Date to the Par Call Date (the "Remaining Life");

or (2) if there is no such Treasury constant maturity on H.15 exactly equal to the Remaining Life, the two yields – one yield corresponding to the Treasury constant maturity on H.15 immediately shorter than and one yield corresponding to the Treasury constant maturity on H.15 immediately longer than the Remaining Life – and shall interpolate to the Par Call Date on a straight-line basis (using the actual number of days) using such yields and rounding the result to three decimal places; or (3) if there is no such Treasury constant maturity on H.15 shorter than or longer than the Remaining Life, the yield for the single Treasury constant maturity on H.15 closest to the Remaining Life. For purposes of this paragraph, the applicable Treasury constant maturity or maturities on H.15 shall be deemed to have a maturity date equal to the relevant number of months or years, as applicable, of such Treasury constant maturity from the Redemption Date.

If on the third Business Day preceding the redemption date H.15 or any successor designation or publication is no longer published, the Company shall calculate the Treasury Rate based on the rate per annum equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity at 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on the second Business Day preceding such Redemption Date of the United States Treasury security maturing on, or with a maturity that is closest to, the Par Call Date, as applicable. If there is no United States Treasury security maturing on the Par Call Date but there are two or more United States Treasury securities with a maturity date equally distant from the Par Call Date, one with a maturity date preceding the Par Call Date and one with a maturity date following the Par Call Date, the Company shall select the United States Treasury security with a maturity date preceding the Par Call Date. If there are two or more United States Treasury securities maturing on the Par Call Date or two or more United States Treasury securities meeting the criteria of the preceding sentence, the Company shall select from among these two or more United States Treasury securities the United States Treasury security that is trading closest to par based upon the average of the bid and asked prices for such United States Treasury securities at 11:00 a.m., New York City time. In determining the Treasury Rate in accordance with the terms of this paragraph, the semi-annual yield to maturity of the applicable United States Treasury security shall be based upon the average of the bid and asked prices (expressed as a percentage of principal amount) at 11:00 a.m., New York City time, of such United States Treasury security, and rounded to three decimal places. The Company's actions and determinations in determining the redemption price shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes, absent manifest error.

(c) On and after the Redemption Date, interest will cease to accrue on the Securities or any portion of the Securities called for redemption (unless the Company defaults in the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest). On or before the Redemption Date, the Company shall deposit with the Trustee money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and (unless the Redemption Date shall be an Interest Payment Date) accrued and unpaid interest to the Redemption Date on the Securities to be redeemed on such date. If less than all of the Securities are to be redeemed, the Securities to be redeemed shall be selected in accordance with the procedures of the Depositary or by such method as the Trustee shall deem appropriate. Additionally, the Company may at any time repurchase Securities in the open market and may hold or surrender the Securities to the Trustee for cancellation.

Redemption Upon a Tax Event. Following the occurrence of a Tax Event (as defined below), the Securities will be redeemable at any time within ninety (90) days of the occurrence of such Tax Event, at the option of the Company, in whole but not in part, at a Redemption Price equal to the sum of 100% of their principal amount thereof, and any accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the Redemption Date (a "Tax Event Redemption Date") (subject to the rights of Holders of record on the relevant Regular Record Date that is on or prior to the Tax Event Redemption Date to receive interest due on the relevant Interest Payment Date).

A "<u>Tax Event</u>" occurs with respect to the Securities when the Company has received an opinion of nationally recognized counsel experienced in U.S. federal income tax matters that, as a result of:

- any amendment to, clarification of, or change, including any announced prospective change, in the laws or treaties of the U.S. or any of its political subdivisions or taxing authorities, or any regulations under those laws or treaties;
- an administrative action, which means any judicial decision or any official administrative pronouncement, ruling, regulatory procedure, notice or announcement including any notice or announcement of intent to issue or adopt any administrative pronouncement, ruling, regulatory procedure or regulation;
- any amendment to, clarification of, or change in the official position or the interpretation of any administrative action or judicial decision or any interpretation or pronouncement that provides for a position with respect to an administrative action or judicial decision that differs from the previously generally accepted position, in each case by any legislative body, court, governmental authority or regulatory body, regardless of the time or manner in which that amendment, clarification or change is introduced or made known; or
- a threatened challenge asserted in writing in connection with an audit of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, or a publicly-known threatened challenge asserted in writing against any other taxpayer that has raised capital through the issuance of securities that are substantially similar to the Securities of such series, which amendment, clarification, or change is effective or the administrative action is taken or a judicial decision, interpretation or pronouncement is issued or threatened challenge is asserted or becomes publicly-known after the date of this prospectus supplement, there is more than an insubstantial risk that interest payable by the Company on such series of Securities is not deductible, or within 90 days would not be deductible, in whole or in part, by the Company for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

On and after a Tax Event Redemption Date, interest will cease to accrue on the Securities called for redemption (unless the Company defaults in the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest). On or before the Tax Event Redemption Date, the Company will deposit with the Trustee money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and (unless the redemption date shall be an Interest Payment Date) accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date on the Securities to be redeemed on such date.

Redemption Upon a Rating Agency Event. Following the occurrence of a Rating Agency Event (as defined below) with respect to the Securities, the Securities will be redeemable at any time within ninety (90) days of the occurrence of such Rating Agency Event, at the option of the Company, in whole but not in part, at a Redemption Price equal to the sum of 102% of their principal amount thereof and any accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the Redemption Date (subject to the rights of Holders of record on the relevant Regular Record Date that is on or prior to the Redemption Date to receive interest due on the relevant Interest Payment Date).

"Rating Agency Event" means a change to the methodology or criteria that were employed by an applicable nationally recognized statistical rating organization for purposes of assigning equity credit to securities such as the Securities on the date of original issuance of the Securities (the "current methodology"), which change either (i) shortens the period of time during which equity credit pertaining to the Securities would have been in effect had the current methodology not been changed or (ii) reduces the amount of equity credit assigned to the Securities as compared with the amount of equity credit that such rating agency had assigned to the Securities as of the date of original issuance thereof.

On and after a Rating Agency Event Redemption Date, interest will cease to accrue on the Securities called for redemption (unless the Company defaults in the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest). On or before the Rating Agency Event Redemption Date, the Company shall deposit with the Trustee money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and (unless the redemption date shall be an Interest Payment Date) accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date on the Securities to be redeemed on such date.

Redemption Upon a Change of Control Event. Following the occurrence of a Change of Control Event the Securities will be redeemable at any time, at the option of the Company, in whole but not in part, at a Redemption Price equal to the sum of 101% of the principal amount thereof and any accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the Redemption Date (subject to the rights of Holders of record on the relevant Regular Record Date that is on or prior to the Redemption Date to receive interest due on the relevant Interest Payment Date).

Unless the Company has previously or concurrently given a redemption notice to Holders of all outstanding Securities within 30 days following any Change of Control Event in respect of the Securities or, at the Company's option, prior to any Change of Control Event, but after the public announcement of the related Change of Control, the Company shall send a notice to each Holders of the Securities describing the transaction or transactions that constitute or may constitute the Change of Control Event and either the Company's election not to redeem the Securities or the applicable Redemption Date (which date will be no earlier than thirty (30) days and no later than sixty (60) days from the date such notice is sent) (a "Change of Control Event Redemption Date"), together with such other matters as may be advisable in the Company's discretion or required by the Indenture. The notice shall, if sent prior to the occurrence of the Change of Control Event, state that the Change of Control Redemption is conditioned on the Change of Control Event occurring on or prior to the redemption date specified in the notice. If no Change of Control Redemption is made by the Company within the time periods specified in this paragraph following a Change of Control Event with respect to the Securities and the Company has not otherwise given a redemption notice to Holders of all outstanding Securities, the per annum rate of interest payable on the Securities of such series will be increased by an additional 5.0 percentage points from and including the date on which the applicable notice of a Change of Control Event is sent to Holders of Securities.

On and after a Change of Control Event Redemption Date, interest will cease to accrue on the Securities called for redemption (unless the Company defaults in the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest). On or before the Change of Control Event Redemption Date, the Company shall deposit with the Trustee money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and (unless the redemption date shall be an Interest Payment Date) accrued and unpaid interest to the redemption date on the Securities to be redeemed on such date.

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

- (1) the direct or indirect sale, transfer, conveyance or other disposition (other than by way of merger or consolidation), in one or a series of related transactions, of all or substantially all of the Company's properties or assets and those of the Company's subsidiaries, taken as a whole, to any "person" (individually and as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) and Section 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act) other than the Company or one of its Affiliates;
  - (2) the first day on which a majority of the members of the Company's Board of Directors are not Continuing Directors;
- (3) the consummation of any transaction or series of related transactions (including, without limitation, any merger or consolidation) the result of which is that any "person" (individually and as that term is used in Section 13(d)(3) and Section 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act), other than the Company, one of its subsidiaries or Redstone Family Members, becomes the beneficial owner (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of more than 50% of the Company's Voting Stock, and following such transaction or transactions, Redstone Family Members beneficially own less than 50% of the Company's Voting Stock, in each case, measured by voting power rather than number of shares; or
- (4) the consummation of a so-called "going private/Rule 13e-3 Transaction" that results in any of the effects described in paragraph (a)(3) (ii) of Rule 13e-3 under the Exchange Act (or any successor provision) with respect to each class of the Company's common stock, following which Redstone Family Members beneficially own, directly or indirectly, more than 50% of the Company's Voting Stock, measured by voting power rather than number of shares.

"Rating Downgrade Event" with respect to the Securities means that the rating of such Securities by all of the Rating Agencies is decreased by one or more gradations (including gradations within rating categories as well as between rating categories) on any date from the date of the public notice of an arrangement that results in a Change of Control until the end of the 60-day period following public notice of the occurrence of a Change of Control (which period shall be extended so long as the rating of such series of Securities is under publicly announced consideration for possible downgrade by any of the Rating Agencies); provided that a Rating Downgrade Event otherwise arising by virtue of a particular reduction in rating shall not be deemed to have occurred in respect of a particular Change of Control (and thus shall not be deemed a Rating Downgrade Event for purposes of the definition of Change of Control Event hereunder) if the Rating Agencies making the reduction in rating to which this definition would otherwise apply do not announce or publicly confirm or inform the Trustee in writing that the reduction was the result, in whole or in part, of any event or circumstance comprised of or arising as a result of, or in respect of, the applicable Change of Control (whether or not the applicable Change of Control shall have occurred at the time of the Rating Downgrade Event).

- "Change of Control Event" means the occurrence of both a Change of Control and a Rating Downgrade Event.
- "Continuing Directors" means, as of any date of determination, any member of the Company's Board of Directors who:
- (1) was a member of such Board of Directors on the first date that any of the Securities were issued; or
- (2) was nominated for election or elected to the Company's Board of Directors (i) with the approval of Redstone Family Members representing not less than 50% of the Company's Voting Stock, measured by voting power rather than number of shares, or (ii) with the approval of a majority of the Continuing Directors who were members of the Company's Board of Directors at the time of such nomination or election.

"Redstone Family Members" includes only the following persons: (i) the estate of Mr. Sumner Redstone; (ii) each descendant of Mr. Redstone or former spouse of Mr. Redstone and their respective estates, guardians, conservators or committees; (iii) any former spouse of Mr. Redstone; (iv) each "Family Controlled Entity" (as defined below); and (v) the trustees, in their respective capacities as such, of each "Family Controlled Trust" (as defined below). The term "Family Controlled Entity" means (i) any not-for-profit corporation if more than 50% of its board of directors is composed of Redstone Family Members; (ii) any other corporation if more than 50% of the value of its outstanding equity is owned by Redstone Family Members; (iii) any partnership if more than 50% of the value of its partnership interests is owned by Redstone Family Members; and (iv) any limited liability or similar company if more than 50% of the value of the company is owned by Redstone Family Members. The term "Family Controlled Trust" includes certain trusts existing on March 24, 2022 and any other trusts the primary beneficiaries of which are Redstone Family Members, spouses of Redstone Family Members and/or charitable organizations, provided that if the trust is a wholly charitable trust, more than 50% of the trustees of such trust consist of Redstone Family Members.

"Fitch" means Fitch Ratings, Inc.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"Rating Agency" means:

- (1) each of Moody's, S&P and Fitch; and
- (2) if any of Moody's, S&P or Fitch ceases to rate the Securities or fails to make a rating of the Securities publicly available for reasons outside of the Company's control, a "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" as defined in Section 3(a)(62) under the Exchange Act selected by the Company as a replacement agency for any or all of Moody's, S&P or Fitch, as the case may be.

"S&P" means S&P Global Ratings, a division of S&P Global Inc.

An "<u>Affiliate</u>" of the Company means any person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with the Company, or directly or indirectly controlled by a Redstone Family Member.

"<u>Voting Stock</u>" as applied to stock of any person, means shares, interests, participations or other equivalents in the equity interest (however designated) in such person having ordinary voting power for the election of a majority of the directors (or the equivalent) of such person, other than shares, interests, participations or other equivalents having such power only by reason of the occurrence of a contingency.

*General.* In the case of any partial redemption, selection of the Securities for redemption will be made in accordance with the procedures of the Depositary or by the Trustee by such method as the Trustee in its sole discretion deems appropriate; *provided* that no Securities of this series of \$2,000 in principal amount or less shall be redeemed in part. If any Security is to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption relating to such Security shall state the portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. A new Security in principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof will be issued in the name of the Holder thereof upon cancellation of the original Security.

In the event of a deposit or withdrawal of an interest in this Security, including an exchange, transfer, repurchase or conversion of this Security in part only, the Trustee, as custodian of the Depositary, shall make an adjustment on its records to reflect such deposit or withdrawal in accordance with the rules and procedures of the Depositary.

<u>Defeasance and Covenant Defeasance</u>. The Indenture contains provisions for defeasance at any time of (a) the entire indebtedness of the Company on this Security and (b) certain restrictive covenants and the related Defaults and Events of Default, upon compliance by the Company with certain conditions set forth therein, which provisions apply to this Security.

Modification and Waivers; Obligations of the Company Absolute. 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. Such amendment may be effected 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 aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of each series affected thereby (all such series voting together as a single class). The Indenture also contains provisions permitting the Holders of not less than specified percentages in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of each series, on behalf of the Holders of all the 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 shall be conclusive and binding upon the Holders of this Security and upon all future Holders of this 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.

Events of Default. As set forth in, and subject to, the provisions of the Indenture, no Holder of any Security of this series will have any right to institute any proceeding with respect to the Indenture or for any remedy thereunder, unless such Holder shall have previously given to the Trustee written notice of a continuing Event of Default with respect to this series, the Holders of not less than 25% in principal amount of all Outstanding Securities of this series shall have made written request to, and offered indemnity reasonably satisfactory to, the Trustee to institute such proceeding as trustee, and the Trustee shall not have received from the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of this series a direction inconsistent with such request and shall have failed to institute such proceeding within 60 days; *provided*, *however*, that such limitations do not apply to a suit instituted by the Holder hereof for the enforcement of payment of the principal of or interest on this Security on or after the respective due dates expressed herein.

The following are the "Events of Default" with respect to the Securities:

- default in the payment of any interest (including Additional Interest) on any Securities when such interest becomes due and payable, and continuance of such default for a period of 30 days, subject to the Company's right to optionally defer interest payments;
  - default in the payment of the principal of (or premium, if any, on) any Security of that series at its Maturity;
- the entry by a court having jurisdiction in the premises of (A) a decree or order for relief in respect of the Company in an involuntary case or proceeding under any applicable federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar law or (B) a decree or order adjudging the Company as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition of or in respect of the Company under the Federal Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable federal or state law, or appointing a custodian, receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Company or of any substantial part of its property, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and the continuance of any such decree or order unstayed and in effect for a period of 90 consecutive days; or
- the commencement by the Company of a voluntary case or proceeding under any applicable federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar law or of any other case or proceeding to be adjudicated a bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent by it to the entry of a decree or order for relief in respect of the Company in an involuntary case or proceeding under any applicable federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or other similar law or to the commencement of any bankruptcy or insolvency case or proceeding against it, or the filing by it of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Federal Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable federal or state law, or the consent by it to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment of or taking possession by a custodian, receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Company or of any substantial part of its property, or the making by it of an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or the admission by it in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due or the taking of corporate action by the Company in furtherance of any such action.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Events of Default stated in this section shall be the only Events of Default applicable to the Securities.

With respect to the Securities, the term "Default" means the following event: default in the performance or breach of any covenant or warranty of the Company in the Indenture (other than (i) a covenant or warranty a default in whose performance or whose breach is addressed in the paragraph above or (ii) certain other covenants and warranties inapplicable to the Security), and continuance of such default or breach for a period of 90 days after specified written notice to the Company by the Trustee, or to the Company and the Trustee by the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding Securities.

Upon the occurrence and continuance of a Default, the Trustee and the holders of the Securities will have the same rights and remedies, and will be subject to the same limitations, restrictions, protections and exculpations, and the Company will be subject to the same obligations and restrictions, in each case, as would apply if such Default was an Event of Default or an event which after notice or lapse of time or both would become an Event of Default; provided that the principal of and accrued interest on the Securities may not be declared immediately due and payable by reason of the occurrence and continuation of a Default, and any notice of declaration or acceleration based on such Default will be null and void with respect to the Securities; provided, further, that in case a Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee will not be subject to the requirement to exercise, with respect to the Securities, the same degree of care as a prudent individual would exercise in the conduct of his or her own affairs, unless an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing.

<u>Certain Provisions Not to Apply</u>. The provisions of Article Eight or Sections 1007, 1009 or 1010 of the Indenture shall not apply to the Securities.

Other. Each Holder of the Securities shall, by accepting the Securities or a beneficial interest therein, be deemed to have agreed that the Holder intends that the Securities constitute indebtedness and shall treat the Securities as indebtedness for United States federal, state and local tax purposes.

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 interest on this Security at the times, place, and rate, and in the coin or currency, herein prescribed.

Registration of Transfer or Exchange. As provided in the Indenture and subject to certain limitations therein set forth, the transfer of this Security will be registered on the Security Register of the Company or the Trustee upon surrender of this Security for registration of transfer at the office or agency of the Company or the Trustee maintained for such purpose at such office or agency as the Company or Trustee may designate, duly endorsed by, or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Company, the Trustee and the Security Registrar duly executed by, the Holder hereof or their attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon one or more new Securities of this series of authorized denominations and for the same aggregate principal amount, will be issued to the designated transferee or transferees.

No service charge shall be made for any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities, but the Company may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

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

This Security is a Global Security. If at any time the Depositary for this Global Security notifies the Company that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for such Global Security or if at any time the Depositary for such Global Security shall no longer be eligible under applicable law, the Company shall appoint a successor Depositary eligible under applicable law with respect to this Global Security. If a successor Depositary eligible under applicable law for this Global Security is not appointed by the Company within 90 days after the Company receives such notice or becomes aware of such ineligibility, the Company will execute, and the Trustee, upon receipt of the Company Order, Officer's Certificate and Opinion of Counsel for the authentication and delivery of definitive Registered Securities of this series and tenor, will authenticate and deliver such definitive Registered Securities of such series and tenor, in any authorized denominations, in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of this Global Security, in exchange for this Global Security.

<u>Defined Terms</u>. All terms used in this Security that are defined in the Indenture and are not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Indenture.

Governing Law. This Security shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York.

Unless the certificate of authentication hereon has been duly executed by or on behalf of Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Trustee under the Indenture, or its successor thereunder, by the manual or facsimile signature of one of its authorized officers, this Security shall not be entitled to any benefit under the Indenture, or be valid or obligatory for any purpose.

	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this instrument to be duly executed.
Dated:	PARAMOUNT GLOBAL,
	as Issuer
	Ву:
	Name:
	Title:

## TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

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

Trustee
Ву:
Authorized Signatory

Dated:

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March 29, 2022

The Board of Directors Paramount Global 1515 Broadway New York, New York 10036

## Paramount Global

\$1,000,000,000 6.375% Fixed-to-Fixed Rate Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2062

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Paramount Global (formerly known as ViacomCBS Inc.), a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the issuance and sale by the Company of \$1,000,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 6.375% Fixed-to-Fixed Rate Junior Subordinated Debentures due 2062 (the "Securities") pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement, dated March 24, 2022 (the "Underwriting Agreement"), among the Company and BofA Securities, Inc., Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC as representatives of the several underwriters named therein. The Securities are to be issued under an indenture, dated as of March 27, 2020 (the "Indenture"), between the Company and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as trustee (the "Trustee").

In that connection, we have reviewed originals or copies of the following documents:

- (a) The Underwriting Agreement;
- (b) The Indenture; and
- (c) The Securities in global form as executed by the Company.

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The documents described in the foregoing clauses (a) through (c) are collectively referred to herein as the "Opinion Documents."

In our review of the Opinion Documents and other documents, we have assumed:

- (a) The genuineness of all signatures.
- (b) The authenticity of the originals of the documents submitted to us.
- (c) The conformity to authentic originals of any documents submitted to us as copies.
- (d) As to matters of fact, the truthfulness of the representations made in the Underwriting Agreement and the other Opinion Documents and in certificates of public officials and officers of the Company.
- (e) That each of the Opinion Documents is the legal, valid and binding obligation of each party thereto, other than the Company, enforceable against each such party in accordance with its terms.
  - (f) That the execution, delivery and performance by the Company of the Opinion Documents to which it is a party do not:
    - (A) except with respect to Generally Applicable Law, violate any law, rule or regulation applicable to it; or
    - (B) result in any conflict with or breach of any agreement or document binding on it.
- (g) That, except with respect to Generally Applicable Law, no authorization, approval, consent or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental authority or regulatory body or any other third party is required for the due execution, delivery or performance by the Company of any Opinion Document to which it is a party or, if any such authorization, approval, consent, action, notice or filing is required, it has been duly obtained, taken, given or made and is in full force and effect.

We have not independently established the validity of the foregoing assumptions.

"Generally Applicable Law" means the federal law of the United States of America, and the law of the State of New York (including in each case the rules or regulations promulgated thereunder or pursuant thereto), that a New York lawyer exercising customary professional diligence would reasonably be expected to recognize as being applicable to the Company, the Opinion Documents or the transactions governed by the Opinion Documents, and for purposes of assumption paragraphs (f) and (g) above and our opinion below, the General

Corporation Law of the State of Delaware. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing definition of Generally Applicable Law, the term "Generally Applicable Law" does not include any law, rule or regulation that is applicable to the Company, the Opinion Documents or such transactions solely because such law, rule or regulation is part of a regulatory regime applicable to any party to any of the Opinion Documents or any of its affiliates due to the specific assets or business of such party or such affiliate.

Based upon the foregoing and upon such other investigation as we have deemed necessary and subject to the qualifications set forth below, we are of the opinion that the Securities have been duly authorized and executed by the Company and, when authenticated by the Trustee in accordance with the Indenture and delivered and paid for as provided in the Underwriting Agreement, the Securities will be legal, valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms and entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

Our opinion expressed above is subject to the effect of (a) any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally (including without limitation all laws relating to fraudulent transfers) and (b) general principles of equity, including without limitation concepts of materiality, reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing (regardless of whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law).

Our opinion is limited to Generally Applicable Law, and we do not express any opinion herein concerning any other law.

This opinion letter is rendered to you in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Opinion Documents.

This opinion letter speaks only as of the date hereof. We expressly disclaim any responsibility to advise you of any development or circumstance of any kind, including any change of law or fact, that may occur after the date of this opinion letter and which might affect the opinions expressed herein.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as an exhibit to the Current Report on Form 8-K dated the date hereof filed by the Company and incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement on Form S-3ASR (File No. 333-237426) filed by the Company to effect the registration of the Securities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and to the use of our name under the heading "Legal Matters" in the prospectus constituting a part of such Registration Statement. In giving this consent, we do not hereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission promulgated thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Shearman & Sterling LLP

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