- 2 1. I am the founder of Stapleton Group ("Stapleton Group"), with offices located in 3 Los Angeles, San Diego, Phoenix and Las Vegas. I am a nationally recognized restructuring and work out expert and have led the successful resolution of over one hundred troubled businesses and real estate projects. Prior to founding the Stapleton Group, I underwrote and acquired 6 troubled companies, land, condominium, and resort assets at a subsidiary of Leucadia National Corporation. Previously, I served as a Director at a national provider of work out services where I 8 focused on solutions for troubled companies and properties to lenders and law firms across the nation. I began my career as a Certified Public Accountant at PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP, 10 where I specialized in financial and restructuring services for Fortune 500 clients at PwC's New 11 York, London, Frankfurt and San Diego offices. I earned a Masters of Business Administration 12 from San Diego State University and a Bachelor of Science from Tulane University.
 - 2. I submit this Declaration in support of the *Motion for Confirmation of the Second Amended Plan of Reorganization of AP-Long Beach Airport LLC* (the "Motion"). I have first-hand personal knowledge of the facts set forth below and, if called to testify in this matter, I could and would competently testify thereto.
 - 3. AP-Long Beach Airport LLC (the "<u>Debtor</u>") is the owner of property located at 3205 Lakewood Boulevard, Long Beach, California consisting of a 206,945-square foot building at Long Beach Airport (the "<u>Long Beach Property</u>").
 - 4. Prior to the Petition Date, the Debtor was the borrower under that certain Construction Loan Agreement with U.S. Bank National Association ("<u>U.S. Bank</u>") in the principal amount of \$37,764,469 (as amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>U.S. Bank Loan</u>"). On August 11, 2014, U.S. Bank filed a complaint in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Los Angeles, Southern District (the "<u>State Court</u>") against, the Debtor and Donald Abbey seeking, among other things, the appointment of a receiver and to foreclose on the Long Beach Property (the "<u>U.S. Bank Litigation</u>").

DECLARATION OF DAVID P. STAPLETON IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION FOR CONFIRMATION OF PLAN

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¹ Terms not otherwise defined herein have the meaning set forth in the Motion.

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- 5. On September 2, 2014, I was appointed as the receiver by the State Court in the U.S. Bank Litigation with respect to the Long Beach Property.²
- 6. Following my appointment as the Receiver, I (and the employees of the Stapleton Group) worked cooperatively with the Debtor to ensure that the value of the Debtor's assets were not impaired as a result of the appointment of a receiver. Following my appointment as Receiver, I (and the employees of the Stapleton Group) managed and maintained the books and records relating to the Long Beach Property.
- 7. As the Receiver, I (and the employees of the Stapleton Group) monitored and led all operational, financial, repair and maintenance requirements with respect to the Long Beach Property. I collected all rents paid by the tenants at the Long Beach Property and used these funds to pay for reasonable expenses incurred with respect to the Long Beach Property. Following my appointment as Receiver, I opened a trust account at Banc of California, Irvine branch and have deposited all rents collected since I took over as Receiver there.³
 - 8. On December 19, 2014, the Debtor filed its Chapter 11 petition.
- 9. I am informed and believe that, immediately following the Chapter 11 filing, the Debtor filed a motion to approve a stipulation with U.S. Bank (the "U.S. Bank Motion"), which, among other things, gave the Debtors until March 1, 2015 to locate new financing to replace the U.S. Bank Loan. I am further informed that the Office of the United States Trustee objected to the U.S. Bank Motion on a number of grounds, including that it was unclear what the impact of the stipulation would be on unsecured creditors and whether and how unsecured creditors (and UST fees) would be addressed. I was advised that, in order to resolve this particular objection, the Debtor agreed to reserve funds for the payment of unsecured claims.

² U.S. Bank filed an application for the appointment of a receiver on an *ex parte* basis for a hearing on August 15, 2014. At that hearing, the State Court orally appointed me as receiver solely to collect rents, issues and profits and set an order to show cause hearing for August 29, 2014. Following the hearing, on September 2, 2014, the State Court issued an Order confirming my appointment and expanding the scope of my duties.

³ Following the Debtor's Chapter 11 filing, I opened new, debtor-in-possession accounts at Banc of California, Irvine branch, which is an approved UST depository.

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- 10. I am informed and believe that on February 28, 2015, the Debtor closed a loan for postpetition financing (the "<u>Postpetition Financing</u>") and the U.S. Bank Loan was paid in full on that date. The payment of the U.S. Bank Loan also resolved the pending U.S. Bank Litigation.
- 11. On April 7, 2015, the State Court issued the *Order Authorizing and Directing Turnover of Receivership Estate and Exonerating Bonds Pursuant to Stipulation* (the "State Court Order"). On April 16, 2015, following the approval of the Postpetition Financing, the Court entered an Order denying, as moot, the Debtor's request for entry of an Order excusing the Receiver's compliance with section 543(d) and authorizing the use of U.S. Bank's case collateral on a final basis.
- 12. In order to ensure a smooth transition from the management of the Long Beach Property by me, as the Receiver, the Debtor engaged the Stapleton Group to act as property manager with respect to the Long Beach Property. The Stapleton Group agreed to provide the services requested by the Debtor for a fee of three percent (3%) of the aggregate gross revenues of the Long Beach Property for the applicable monthly account period, as described in greater detail in the Agreement (the "Management Fees"). I anticipate that this fee will be approximately \$8,000 for the months of April, May, and June 2015, based on the current revenues of the Long Beach Property.
- 13. As property manager, I and the other members and employees of the Stapleton Group have and will continue to provide the services set forth above.
- 14. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is the budget approved by the Debtor and the Postpetition Lender for the Long Beach Property for the period from April 2015 through June 2015 (the "Budget"). The Budget specifically includes a line item for the payment of U.S. Trustee fees. I am informed and believe that the Debtor is in the process of marketing the portion of the Long Beach Property that is not currently occupied.

⁴ An application to employ the Stapleton Group was filed on May 6, 2015 and no objections have been filed.

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1	15. I am aware that the Stapleton Group has been named as the Disbursing Agent				
2	under the Plan, and as such will be responsible for making all required payments to creditors upon				
3	the Effective Date of the Plan.				
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5	Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing				
6	statements are true and correct.				
7	Executed this 2 I day of May 2015, at Los Aryll, California.				
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EXHIBIT "A"

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Interim PM Budget A P Long Beach

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	Apr-15	May-15	Jun-15
Income			
Rent Collection	224,733	224,733	224,733
CAM	33,333	35,000	35,000
Tenant TI - Interest	1,911	1,911	1,911
Total Income	259,977	261,644	261,644
Expenses			
Elevators	(400) (400)	(400)
Fire, Life, & Safety - Contract Service	(2,480	(2,480)) (2,480)
Fire, Life, & Safety - Monitoring/Phones	(495) (495	(495)
Fire Safety Equipment	(235) (235)) (235)
Security Cameras	(242) (242) (242)
Utilities - Reimbursable	(14,000	(14,000) (14,000)
Utilities - Non-Reimbursable	(4,000	(4,000	(4,000)
HVAC - Preventative Maintenance	(3,750) (3,750) (3,750)
HVAC - Software	(550) (550) (550)
HVAC - Repairs	(500	(500) (500)
Water Purification - Lab	(1,230) (1,230) (1,230)
Lot, Landscape & Trash	(1,771) (1,771) (1,771)
Pest Control	(310) (310) (310)
Janitorial	(2,100	(2,100	(2,100)
Repair & Maintenance	(500) (500	(500)
Insurance	(4,740	(4,740	(4,740)
Property Tax	(14,400	(14,400	(14,400)
Property Management fees - 3%	(8,000	(8,000	(8,000)
Employee Expense	(4,200	(4,200	(4,200)
Ground Lease	(21,000	(21,000	(21,000)
Debt Service	(192,498	•	
Miscellaneous	(1,000	(1,000	(1,000)
US Trustee Fees	(4,875	•	-
Business License & Permits	-	<u>-</u>	-
Total Expenses	(283,276	6) (278,401) (278,401)
Net Operating Income/(Loss)	(29,899	9) (23,357	(23,357)

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	DDOOF OF SEDVICE OF DOCUMENT			
1	PROOF OF SERVICE OF DOCUMENT I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding. My			
2	business address is: 840 Newport Center Drive, Suite 400, Newport Beach, California 92660-6324			
3	A true and correct copy of the foregoing document described as DECLARATION OF DAVID P. STAPLETON IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION FOR CONFIRMATION OF THE			
4	4 \parallel SECOND AMENDED PLAN OF REORGANIZATION OF AP-LONG BEACH AIRP			
5	LLC will be served or was served (a) on the judge in chambers in the form and manner required by LBR 5005-2(d); and (b) in the manner indicated below:			
6	I. TO BE SERVED BY THE COURT VIA NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING("NEF")			
7	Pursuant to controlling General Order(s) and Local Bankruptcy Rule(s) ("LBR"), the foregoing document will be served by the court via NEF and hyperlink to the document. On <u>May 28, 2015</u> , I checked the CM/ECE dealest for this hardward are adversary proceeding, and determined that the following			
8	CM/ECF docket for this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding and determined that the following person(s) are on the Electronic Mail Notice List to receive NEF transmission at the email address(es) indicated below:			
10	Service information continued on attached page			
11	II. SERVED BY U.S. MAIL OR OVERNIGHT MAIL (indicate method for each person or entity served): On May 28, 2015, I served the following person(s) and/or entity(ies) at the last known address(es) in this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope in the United States Mail, first class, postage prepaid, and/or with an overnight mail service addressed as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration that mailing to the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours after the document is filed.			
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17	2015, I served the following person(s) and/or entity(ies) by personal delivery, or (for those who consented in writing to such service method), by facsimile transmission and/or email as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration that personal delivery on the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours			
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20	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true			
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