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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

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In re: : Chapter 11

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CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC., : Case No. 08-35653 (KRH)

<u>et</u> <u>al</u>.,

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Debtors. : Jointly Administered

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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND STIPULATION BY AND AMONG THE DEBTORS AND THE POST-PETITION DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS OF INTERTAN, INC. AND VENTOUX INTERNATIONAL, INC.

This settlement agreement and stipulation (this "Settlement Agreement") is entered into by and among the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (the



"Debtors"), on the one hand, and the Post-Petition Officers and Directors (as defined herein) of InterTAN, Inc.

("InterTAN") and Ventoux International, Inc. ("Ventoux") solely in their capacity as post-petition officers and directors of InterTAN and Ventoux, on the other hand. The Debtors and the Post-Petition Officers and Directors are sometimes referred to herein collectively as the "Parties" or individually as a "Party".

BACKGROUND

A. The Debtors' Bankruptcy Cases.

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2008 (the "Petition Date"), the Debtors each filed a voluntary petition in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (the "Court") under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"); and

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The Debtors and the last four digits of their respective taxpayer identification numbers are as follows: Circuit City Stores, Inc. (3875), Circuit City Stores West Coast, Inc. (0785), InterTAN, Inc. (0875), Ventoux International, Inc. (1838), Circuit City Purchasing Company, LLC (5170), CC Aviation, LLC (0841), CC Distribution Company of Virginia, Inc. (2821), Circuit City Properties, LLC (3353), Kinzer Technology, LLC (2157), Abbott Advertising Agency, Inc. (4659), Patapsco Designs, Inc.(6796), Sky Venture Corp. (0311), Prahs, Inc.(n/a), XSStuff, LLC (9263), Mayland MN, LLC (6116), Courcheval, LLC (n/a), Orbyx Electronics, LLC (3360), and Circuit City Stores PR, LLC (5512). The address for the Debtors is 4951 Lake Brook Drive, Suite #500, Glen Allen, VA 23060.

WHEREAS, the Debtors have continued as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2008, the Office of the United States Trustee for the Eastern District of Virginia appointed a statutory committee of unsecured creditors (the "Creditors' Committee"). To date, no trustee or examiner has been appointed in these chapter 11 cases; and

WHEREAS, on January 16, 2009, the Court authorized the Debtors, among other things, to conduct going out of business sales at the Debtors' remaining 567 stores pursuant to an agency agreement (the "Agency Agreement") between the Debtors and a joint venture, as agent (the "Agent"). On January 17, 2009, the Agent commenced going out of business sales pursuant to the Agency Agreement at the Debtors remaining stores. As of on or about March 8, 2009, the going out of business sales concluded; and

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2009, the Debtors and the Creditors' Committee (together, the "Plan Proponents") filed the First Amended Joint Plan of Liquidation of Circuit City Stores, Inc. and its Affiliated Debtors and Debtors In Possession and its Official Committee of Creditors Holding General Unsecured Claims (the "First Amended Plan"); and



WHEREAS, the associated disclosure statement (the "Disclosure Statement") was approved on September 24, 2009.

Confirmation of the First Amended Plan was originally scheduled for November 23, 2009, but has been adjourned from time to time; and

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2010, the Creditors' Committee filed the Plan of Liquidation Proposed by the Official Committee of Creditors of Circuit City Stores, Inc. and its Affiliated Debtors and Debtors in Possession (the "Committee Plan") (D.I. 7678). The Committee Plan is substantially similar to the First Amended Plan, as the Committee Plan provides for the liquidation of the Debtors' remaining assets and distributions to creditors through a liquidating trust; and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2010, the Debtors filed the Debtors' Motion for Order Directing Mediation with Respect to First Amended Joint Plan of Liquidation of Circuit City Stores, Inc. and Its Affiliated Debtors and Debtors in Possession and Its Official Committee of Creditors Holding General Unsecured Claims (the "Mediation Motion") (D.I. 7687), pursuant to which the Debtors requested that the Bankruptcy Court order the Debtors and the Creditors'



Committee to mediate their differences with respect to the First Amended Plan and the Committee Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Creditors' Committee supported the Mediation Motion and, following a hearing on June 24, 2010, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order granting the Mediation Motion (D.I. 7912, the "Mediation Order"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Mediation Order, mediation commenced on July 14, 2010 before the Honorable Frank J. Santoro (the "Mediator"); and

WHEREAS, following extensive negotiations during the mediation, the Plan Proponents reached an agreement on the outstanding issues (the "Mediation Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, on August 9, 2010, the Debtors and the Creditors' Committee filed the Second Amended Joint Plan of Liquidation of Circuit City Stores, Inc. and its Affiliated Debtors and Debtors In Possession and its Official Committee of Creditors Holding General Unsecured Claims (the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, generally, the Plan provides for the liquidation of the Debtors' remaining assets under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code and distribution of the proceeds thereof to the Debtors' creditors; and



B. The Canadian Bankruptcy Cases.

WHEREAS, on the same day that the Debtors filed their chapter 11 bankruptcy petitions, InterTAN Canada Ltd. ("InterTAN Canada"), a wholly owned subsidiary of InterTAN, and Tourmalet Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Ventoux ("Tourmalet" and together with InterTAN Canada, the "Canadian Debtors") commenced insolvency cases (the "Canadian Bankruptcy Cases") in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice under the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act in Canada (the "CCAA"); and

WHEREAS, in connection with the Canadian

Bankruptcy Cases, the Canadian Court issued an "initial order", which, among other things, imposed a stay of all proceedings against InterTAN Canada and Tourmalet and their property in Canada; and

WHEREAS, the initial order also appointed Alvarez & Marsal Canada ULC as the monitor (the "Monitor") in the Canadian Bankruptcy Cases; and

WHEREAS, prior to and following the Petition Date, Circuit City and the Canadian Debtors pursued a sale of the Canadian operations. On or about March 10, 2009, the Canadian Court entered an order approving the sale of substantially all of InterTAN Canada's assets to 4458729



Canada Inc., a subsidiary of Bell Canada (the "Canadian Sale"); and

WHEREAS, on or about March 20, 2009, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order (Docket No. 2711) approving the Canadian Sale; and

WHEREAS, since the closing of the Canadian Sale, the Canadian Debtors and the Monitor, with the assistance of officers of the Debtors, have been working to reconcile claims filed in the Canadian Bankruptcy Cases and distribute the sale proceeds from the Canadian Sale in accordance with the priority scheme set forth in the CCAA; and

WHEREAS, as of July 1, 2010, nearly all claims filed in the Canadian Cases had been reconciled and paid in full with interest; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the purchase price received in the Canadian Sale, the Canadian Debtors, the Debtors, the Monitor and the Creditors' Committee have been operating under the assumption that there would be certain sale and other liquidation proceeds that would be available to repatriate to InterTAN, as sole shareholder of InterTAN Canada, and ultimately to the creditors of the Debtors; and



C. InterTAN Canada's French Operations And Liquidation.

WHEREAS, in the mid-1980s, InterTAN Canada conducted business in France through a "permanent establishment" in France and a subsidiary, InterTAN France SNC ("InterTAN France"); and

WHEREAS, InterTAN Canada owns 99.99% of the shares in InterTAN France. The remaining shares are owned by 587225 Ontario Ltd -- a wholly owned subsidiary of InterTAN Canada; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, InterTAN Canada made the decision to cease its business operations in Europe. InterTAN

France's business operations were completely shutdown by May

31, 1994; and

WHEREAS, on February 13, 1995, InterTAN Canada's French permanent establishment was placed in judicial liquidation in France; and

WHEREAS, on July 18, 1997, the judicial liquidation of InterTAN Canada's French permanent establishment was expanded to include InterTAN France; and

WHEREAS, between 1997 and 2000, a judicial liquidator sold the assets of InterTAN Canada's French permanent establishment and InterTAN France and used the proceeds to satisfy claims of their creditors; and



WHEREAS, on January 21, 2000, a judgment of the Commercial Court of Pontoise found that the liquidator had been able to pay all of the debts of InterTAN Canada's French permanent establishment and InterTAN France. As a result, the judicial liquidation of InterTAN France and the French permanent establishment of InterTAN Canada was closed; and

WHEREAS, neither InterTAN Canada (through a French permanent establishment or otherwise) nor InterTAN France carries out business activities or maintains offices or employees in France; and

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, InterTAN Canada and InterTAN France might potentially be indebted to France on account of one or more taxes (the "Potential Liability"); and

D. The 2004 Merger.

WHEREAS, Circuit City is the direct or indirect parent of all of the other Debtors. In addition, as the result of a multi-step transaction in May 2004, Circuit City, through various subsidiaries, acquired the InterTAN Canada and its subsidiaries, including InterTAN Canada's 99.9% of interest in InterTAN France; and



WHEREAS, specifically, on or about March 30, 2004, Circuit City and a wholly-owned subsidiary, Winston Acquisition Corporation ("Winston") entered into an Acquisition Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Acquisition Agreement") with InterTAN, Inc. ("Old InterTAN") pursuant to which Winston would purchase all the outstanding shares of Old InterTAN's common stock and, thereafter, merge with Old InterTAN to form InterTAN - one of the Debtors. At that time, Old InterTAN was parent of InterTAN Canada and indirectly the parent of InterTAN Canada's affiliates and subsidiaries; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the merger, Circuit City also caused two other subsidiaries -- Ventoux and Tourmalet -- to be formed; and

WHEREAS, once the merger and related transactions were completed, from top to bottom, the corporate structure was as follows: Circuit City wholly owned Ventoux; Ventoux wholly owned Tourmalet and owned all of the outstanding common shares of InterTAN; Tourmalet owned all of the preferred shares of InterTAN; InterTAN owned InterTAN Canada; InterTAN Canada continued to own 99.9% of the partnership interests in InterTAN France; and 587225 Ontario Ltd.



continued to own 0.1% of the partnership interests in InterTAN France; and

E. Notice(s) Of Circumstances.

WHEREAS, based on the Potential Liability, the

Debtors and the Creditors' Committee provided a "notice of
circumstances" to Old InterTAN's prior director and officer
liability insurers of facts and circumstances that may give
rise to one or more claims under such insurance policies;
and

WHEREAS, based on the Potential Liability, the

Debtors and the Creditors' Committee are also evaluating

whether to provide a notice of circumstances to the Debtors'

pre- and post-petition directors and officers liability

insurers of facts and circumstances that may give rise to

one or more claims under such insurance policies; and

F. InterTAN's And Ventoux's Post-Petition Directors And Officers And Their Potential Claims.

WHEREAS, Bruce H. Besanko, Catherine W. Bradshaw,
Heather M. Ferguson, Reginald D. Hedgebeth, Jeffrey A.

McDonald, Michelle O. Mosier, John M. Oakey, III, and Danny
W. Ramsey have served as post-petition officers and
directors of InterTAN and Ventoux (collectively, and solely
in their capacity as post-petition officers and directors of



InterTAN and Ventoux, the "Post-Petition Officers and Directors") during the Debtors' chapter 11 cases; and

WHEREAS, InterTAN's and Ventoux's articles of incorporation and/or bylaws provide for indemnification of the Post-Petition Officers and Directors in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof and applicable state law; and

WHEREAS, the Post-Petition Officers and Directors may have administrative claims for indemnification; and

G. The Debtors And The Creditors' Committee's Settlement Concerning The Plan.

WHEREAS, under the First Amended Plan, the Debtors and the Creditors' Committee had included provisions exculpating and releasing the Post-Petition Officers and Directors for their post-petition conduct relating to the First Amended Plan and the chapter 11 cases; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Mediation Agreement, the Debtors and the Creditors' Committee removed the Potential Liability from the exculpation and release provisions in the Plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Mediation Agreement, the Debtors and the Creditors' Committee further agreed that the Debtors would enter into and seek Court approval of a



settlement agreement between the Debtors and the PostPetition Directors and Officers with respect to the

Potential Liability insofar as the post-petition period is
concerned, the terms of which are set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Mediation Agreement, the Plan provides that it is a condition to the Effective Date (as defined in the Plan) that the Court enter an order approving this Settlement Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby STIPULATE AND AGREE that:

- 1. The Post-Petition Officers and Directors hereby waive any administrative claims against InterTAN and Ventoux and their bankruptcy estates for indemnification and contribution arising from, relating to, or arising out of any tax liability under French law relating to InterTAN Canada, the French permanent establishment of InterTAN Canada, and InterTAN France, or any aspect thereof.
- 2. InterTAN and Ventoux hereby waive and release the Post-Petition Officers and Directors from any and all claims, obligations, suits, judgments, damages, demands, debts, rights, causes of action, and liabilities in connection with, relating to, or arising from and after the



Petition Date in connection with their role as post-petition officers and directors of InterTAN and Ventoux, including (without limitation) any claims, obligations, suits, judgments, damages, demands, debts, rights, causes of action, and liabilities arising from, relating to, or arising out of any tax liability under French law relating to InterTAN Canada, the French permanent establishment of InterTAN Canada, or InterTAN France, or any aspect thereof.

- 3. Neither this Settlement Agreement, nor any statement made or action taken in connection with the negotiation of this Settlement Agreement, shall be offered or received in evidence or in any way referred to in any legal action or administrative proceeding among or between the parties hereto, other than as may be necessary (a) to obtain approval of and to enforce this Settlement Agreement or (b) to seek damages or injunctive relief in connection with such approval and enforcement.
- 4. Each Party hereto shall execute and deliver any and all additional papers, documents and other assurances, and shall do any and all acts and things reasonably necessary or appropriate in conjunction with the performance of their respective obligations hereunder.



- 5. No provision of this Settlement Agreement is intended to confer any rights, benefits, remedies, obligations or liabilities hereunder upon any person other than the Parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.
- 6. Except where preempted by applicable Federal law, this Settlement Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia without regard to any choice of law provisions.
- 7. This Settlement Agreement may be signed in counterpart originals and delivered by facsimile or email, which, when fully executed, shall constitute a single original.
- 8. This Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of the parties regarding the Settlement Agreement and the subject matter thereof.
- 9. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia shall retain exclusive jurisdiction (and the parties consent to such retention of jurisdiction) with respect to any disputes arising from or related to, or other actions to interpret, administer or

enforce the terms and provisions of, this Settlement Agreement.

- 10. Each person or entity who executes this

 Settlement Agreement on behalf of another person or entity
 represents and warrants that he, she, or it is duly
 authorized to execute this Settlement Agreement on behalf of
 such person or entity, has the requisite authority to bind
 such person or entity, and such person or entity has full
 knowledge of and has consented to this Settlement Agreement.
 The representations and warranties set forth in this
 paragraph shall survive execution of this Settlement
 Agreement.
- 11. This Settlement Agreement shall not be modified, altered, amended or vacated without the written consent of all Parties hereto or order of the Bankruptcy Court.
- 12. This Settlement Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto, including any Chapter 7 trustee or the Liquidating Trustee under the Plan.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Settlement Agreement is

hereby executed as of the later of the dates set forth below.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO BY:

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