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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
CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC., et al.,	::	1Case No. 08-35653-KRH
Debtors.	: : x	Jointly Administered

# ORDER AUTHORIZING DEBTORS TO ASSUME, ASSIGN AND SELL UNEXPIRED LEASE AND SUBLEASE OF NON-RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY

Upon consideration of the motion (the "Motion")<sup>1</sup> of the Debtors for an order pursuant to sections 105, 363 and 365 of title 11 of the United



<sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

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States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") and Rules 2002, 6004 and 6006 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), for entry of an order (A) authorizing the Debtors to enter into an agreement with the Purchaser for Sale of the Debtors' Leases, subject to higher or otherwise better proposals, (B) approving the Termination Fee in connection therewith, (C) approving the Sale and Assignment of the Leases free and clear of all interests and (D) granting related relief; and the Court having entered the Order under Bankruptcy Code Sections 105, 363, and 365 Approving Amended Bid Deadline In Connection With Bidding And Auction Procedures For Sale Of Unexpired Nonresidential Real Property Leases (the "Modified Lease Procedures Order"), which granted the Debtors additional time to market the Leases (as defined herein) beyond the March 31, 2009 automatic rejection date established in the Lease Procedures Order and authorized the Debtors to establish new bid deadlines and auction dates for the Lease; and upon the record of the hearing held on June 9, 2009 (the "Sale Hearing"); and after due deliberation thereon, and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

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# IT IS HEREBY FOUND AND DETERMINED THAT:<sup>2</sup>

A. The Court has jurisdiction to hear and determine the Motion and to grant the relief requested in the Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157(b)(1) and 1334(b).

B. Venue of these cases and the Motion in this district is proper under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. This is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).

C. The statutory predicates for the relief requested in the Motion are Bankruptcy Code sections 105, 363, and 365 and Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 6004, 6006, and 9014.

D. The notice of the Motion and the Sale Hearing given by the Debtors constitutes due and sufficient notice thereof.

E. The Bidding Procedures are reasonable and appropriate and represent the best method for maximizing the realizable value of the Lease.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Findings of fact shall be construed as conclusions of law and conclusions of law shall be construed as findings of fact when appropriate. <u>See</u> Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7052.

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F. A reasonable opportunity to object or be heard regarding the relief in this Order has been afforded to all interested persons and entities, including Simon Property Group (Illinois) LP as landlord (the "Landlord") for the ground lease related to store number 3125 located at 340 West Army Trail Road in Bloomingdale, Illinois (together with any and all related lease documents and subleases associated therewith, the "Lease") and Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. (the "Sublessee"), under the sublease (together with any and all related sublease documents and sub-subleases associated therewith, if any, the "Sublease" and together with the Lease, the "Leases").

G. The Debtors and their professionals marketed the Leases and conducted a sale process as set forth in and in accordance with the Motion. Based upon the record of these proceedings, all creditors and other parties in interest and all prospective purchasers have been afforded a reasonable and fair opportunity to bid for the Leases.

H. After reviewing the proposal of the Assignee (as defined herein), the Debtors determined in

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their business judgment, that the highest and best offer was that of the Assignee.

I. The Assignment Agreement (as defined herein) and the sale of the Leases was negotiated and has been and is undertaken by the Debtors and the Assignee at arms' length without collusion or fraud, and in good faith within the meaning of Sections 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code. As a result of the foregoing, the Debtors and the Assignee are entitled to the protections of Section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code.

J. Neither the Debtors nor the Assignee engaged in any conduct that would cause or permit the Assignment Agreement or the consummation of the Sale to be avoided, or costs or damages to be imposed, under Section 363(n) of the Bankruptcy Code.

K. The Total Consideration (as defined herein) provided by the Assignee for the Leases is the highest and best offer received by the Debtors, and the consideration constitutes (a) reasonably equivalent value under the Bankruptcy Code and Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act, (b) fair consideration under the Uniform Fraudulent Conveyance Act, and (c) reasonably equivalent

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value, fair consideration and fair value under any other applicable laws of the United States, any state, territory or possession, or the District of Columbia, for the Leases.

L. The Debtors have demonstrated good, sufficient, and sound business purpose and justification for the assumption, assignment, and sale of the Leases.

M. The assumption, assignment, and sale of the Leases to Creative Realty Management LLC. (the "Assignee") under sections 105, 363, and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, and their creditors.

N. Pursuant to sections 365(b)(1)(C), 365(f) (2)(B) and, if applicable, 365(b)(3), the Debtors and the Assignee have demonstrated adequate assurance of future performance by the Assignee under the Leases.

O. The Cure Amount is deemed the entire cure obligation due and owing as of the date of the hearing, on the Lease under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and there is no cure obligation with respect to the Sublease.

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P. Upon the payment of the Cure Amount, there are no outstanding defaults of the Debtors and their estates under the Leases.

Upon the assignment to the Assignee, the Q. Leases shall be deemed valid and binding, in full force and effect in accordance with their terms, subject to the provisions of this Order and, pursuant to section 365(k) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors and their estates shall be relieved from any further liability thereunder, including for any breach of the Leases. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (1) the Subtenant shall not be deemed to have waived and shall be permitted to enforce its right subject to obtaining relief from the automatic stay or other injunction, to indemnification as to third party claims, whenever asserted, but only to the extent that such third party claims are covered by insurance policies maintained by the Debtors and will not subject the Debtors to any liability or defense costs or expenses, including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and expenses, and (2) any party shall not be deemed to have waived any rights it may have against Landlord or its insurance carrier by reason of

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any third party tort claim (collectively, the "Reserved Claims").

R. Based on the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law,<sup>3</sup> IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

1. The Motion is granted as set forth herein.

2. All objections with regard to the relief sought in the Motion as it pertains to the Leases, that have not been withdrawn, waived, or settled, are overruled on the merits.

3. Under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors are authorized to assume the Leases and to assign the Leases to the Assignee, which assignment shall take place on and be effective as of the Effective Date (as defined herein).

 Under Bankruptcy Code section 363, the Debtors are authorized to sell the Leases to the Assignee.

5. The Debtors are authorized to execute the Sale, Assumption and Assignment Agreement, in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Statements made by the Court from the bench at the hearing on the Motion shall constitute additional conclusions of law and findings of fact as appropriate.

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substantially the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> (the "Assignment Agreement").

6. The consummation of the transactions with respect to the Leases and the Assignment Agreement shall be effective as of June 9, 2009 (the "Effective Date").

7. Upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, subject to the provisions of this Order, the Assignee shall succeed to the entirety of Debtors' rights and obligations in the Leases due, accruing, arising or attributable to the time period occurring on or after the Effective Date and shall have the rights of the tenant (and sublandlord) thereunder.

8. On the Effective Date, the Assignee shall pay to the Debtors, in cash or otherwise immediately available funds, \$175,000.00 (the "Total Consideration").

9. Upon the Effective Date, and subject to the provisions of Paragraph 10 below, neither the Assignee, the Debtors, nor the Debtors' estates shall have liability for cure claims of, from, or related to the Lease for any defaults or monetary obligations thereunder, except that Debtors shall be liable for the following: (a) within five (5) business days after the

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Effective Date Debtors shall pay to the Landlord the "Undisputed Cure Amount" for the Lease, which amount totals \$147,969.30; and (b) within five (5) business days after the Effective Date, Debtors shall deposit into an escrow account with a third party agent a "Disputed Cure Amount" of [ ], which Disputed Cure Amount shall be held in escrow until the earlier of (i) the date the Debtors and the Landlord agree in writing or (ii) a final nonappealable order is entered by the Court (together, the Undisputed Cure Amount and Disputed Cure Amount shall mean and be referred to as the "Cure Amount"). For the avoidance of doubt, if the Disputed Cure Amount is \$0.00, the Debtors shall have no obligation to establish an escrow. The Debtors and the Landlord shall undertake good faith negotiations to resolve disagreements regarding the Disputed Cure Amount. Should the Debtors and the Landlord fail to reach agreement, the Court will hold an evidentiary hearing on June 23, 2009 or such earlier date as the parties may agree, subject to the Court's availability.

10. Upon the entry of this Order, (i) all defaults under the Leases through the Effective Date

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shall be deemed cured, (ii) no other amounts will be owed by Debtors or their estates with respect to the Leases; provided, however, that the foregoing is without prejudice to the Landlord filing a timely administrative expense request for accrued but unbilled 2009 real property taxes or common area maintenance charges that may be due under the Lease, prorated through the period prior to the Effective Date; (iii) no amounts will be owed by the Assignee with respect to the Leases for obligations relating or attributable to the period prior to the Effective Date, (iv) except as herein specifically noted, any and all persons or entities shall be forever barred and estopped from asserting a claim against the Debtors or their estates that any additional amounts are due or defaults exist under the Leases. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall be deemed to waive the requirement of Assignee to reimburse Landlord, pursuant to the terms of the Lease, for its portion of real estate taxes and/or common area costs which accrue following the Effective Date.

11. The Assignee takes the Leases "as is."

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12. Pursuant to section 365(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in the Leases, or in applicable nonbankruptcy law, that prohibits, restricts, or conditions the assignment of the Leases, the Debtors may assign the Leases to the Assignee.

13. Upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, subject to the provisions of this Order, the Assignee shall assume all obligations under the Leases attributable to, or arising or accruing during, the time period occurring on or after the Effective Date or related to the period subsequent to the Effective Date.

14. Upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, the Assignee shall be entitled to the protections of section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code.

15. Upon the assignment authorized herein, and under section 365(k) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors and their estates shall have no further liability under the Leases.

16. Upon the assignment to the Assignee, the Leases shall be deemed valid and binding, in full force

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and effect in accordance with their terms, subject to the provisions of this Order.

17. To the extent that any of the Debtors acts as a guarantor of the Leases (a "Debtor-Guarantor"), the Debtor-Guarantor(s) shall have no obligations with respect to the Leases after the Effective Date.

18. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 363(f), the sale and corresponding assumption and assignment of the Leases authorized hereunder shall be free and clear of all Interests, with all such Interests attaching only to the amount paid under the Assignment Agreement for the Leases and the related premises on which such Interests had been attached previously, in the same order and priority, and with the same validity and enforceability, as same may have had prior to the sale, assumption and assignment of the Leases, subject to any and all available defenses.

19. Any mechanic's lien filed against the Debtors with respect to the premises associated with the Leases is hereby released, discharged, and terminated, and the Assignee, the Landlord, and/or the Subtenant are

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hereby authorized to file, register, or otherwise record a certified copy of this Order and each and every federal, state, and local governmental agency or department is hereby directed to accept a certified copy of this Order as conclusive evidence of the release, discharge, and termination of any mechanic's lien filed against the Debtors with respect to the premises associated with the Leases and shall remove such mechanic's lien from record. Any interest released, discharged and/or terminated under this paragraph shall attach solely to the amount paid under the Assignment Agreement for the Leases and the related premises on which such interest had previously attached, subject to any and all available defenses.

20. Except for the Debtors with respect to their rights under the Assignment Agreement and this Order, all parties to the Lease and Sublease, and to any other agreements relating to the Leases, other than the Assignment Agreement, are forever barred from raising or asserting against the Assignee any default or breach under, or any claim (except for those claims specifically allowed under paragraph 10) or pecuniary

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loss arising under or related to the Leases or such other agreements, arising, accruing or incurred prior to the Effective Date.

21. Except for (i) the Debtors with respect to their rights under the Assignment Agreement and this Order and (ii) the Landlord with respect to payment of the Cure Amount and the resolution of any administrative expense request the Landlord may file as permitted by paragraph 10 of this Order, all parties to the Leases, and to any other agreements relating to the Leases, other than the Assignment Agreement, are forever barred from raising or asserting against the Debtors or their estates any default or breach under, or any claim or pecuniary loss, arising under or related to, the Leases or such other agreements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Subtenant shall not be deemed to have waived and shall be permitted to enforce its right subject to obtaining relief from the automatic stay or other injunction to the indemnification as to the Reserved Claims.

22. Any obligations arising under the Leases which arise, accrue, are incurred or relate to periods

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on or subsequent to the Effective Date, including but not limited to any tax, utility, common area charges or insurance payments, shall be the obligation of the Assignee, and no party (including the Assignee) shall have a claim against the Debtors or their estates for such obligations.

23. The Landlord, the Subtenant, and any governmental agency shall accept and honor the assignment of the Leases to the Assignee in accordance with the Assignment Agreement and this Order.

24. The Landlord and the Sublessee shall cooperate and expeditiously execute and deliver, upon the reasonable requests of the Assignee, and shall not charge the Assignee for, any instruments, applications, consents, or other documents which may be required by any public or quasi-public authority or other party or entity, for the purpose of obtaining any permits, approvals or other necessary documents required for the alteration, installation of signage, opening and operating of the premises associated with the Leases.

25. The Landlord shall execute an estoppel, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit B,

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in accordance with the timeline and conditions of the Lease.

26. The Sublessee shall execute an estoppel, in substantially the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C</u>.

27. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 554, the Debtors are authorized to abandon any and all Debtor-owned improvements, furniture, fixtures, equipment, inventory and/or any other personal property ("Abandoned Property") located on the Premises, and such Abandoned Property is deemed abandoned on the Effective Date to the Assignee free and clear or all liens, claims and other interests. The Assignee may, in its sole discretion and without further notice, use, transfer or dispose of such Abandoned Property without liability to the Debtors or any third parties claiming an interest in such Abandoned Property.

28. This Order shall be effective and enforceable immediately upon entry and shall not be stayed pursuant to Rules 6004(h) or 6006(d).

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29. The requirement under Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(G) to file a memorandum of law in connection with the Motion is hereby waived.

30. To the extent that any provisions in the Assignment Agreement conflict with this Order, the Order shall govern.

31. The Debtors and their estates are authorized to take all actions and execute all documents necessary or appropriate to effectuate the assumption and assignment of the Leases consistent with this Order.

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32. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to

hear and determine all matters arising from or related to this Order or the assumption and assignment of the

Lease and Sublease.

Dated: Richmond, Virginia June 10, 2009

#### UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

WE ASK FOR THIS:

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## CERTIFICATION OF ENDORSEMENT UNDER LOCAL RULE 9022-1(C)

Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 9022-1(C), I hereby certify that the foregoing proposed order has been endorsed by or served upon all necessary parties.

> <u>/s/ Douglas M. Foley</u> Douglas M. Foley

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# EXHIBIT A

ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT\_

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# EXHIBIT B

(Landlord Estoppel)

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# EXHIBIT C

(Sublessee Estoppel)

# Exhibit A

#### SALE, ASSUMPTION, AND ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

THIS SALE, ASSUMPTION, AND ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of [\_\_], 2009, by and among CREATIVE REALTY MANAGEMENT LLC. ("Assignee"), on the one hand, and CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC., a Virginia corporation ("Assignor"), on the other hand.

#### **<u>RECITALS</u>**:

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2009, Assignor and certain of its direct and indirect subsidiaries filed voluntary petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code");

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2009, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (the "Bankruptcy Court") entered an order (the "Order") approving the sale, assumption, and assignment of (i) that certain Lease dated September 19, 1986 between Simon Property Group (Illinois), L.P., as successor in interest to C.Y.A., Inc., as landlord, and Assignor, as successor in interest to Service Merchandise Company, Inc., as tenant, covering certain premises located at Bloomingdale Court Shopping Center, 340 W. Army Trail Road, Bloomingdale, Illinois (the "Leased Premises") and (ii) that certain Sublease dated January [undated], 2004 between Assignor, as sublandlord, and Dollar Tree Stores, Inc., as subtenant, covering a portion of the Leased Premises (as such Lease and Sublease may have been amended, assigned, supplemented or extended from time to time collectively, the "Leases"); and

WHEREAS, (i) Assignee desires that Assignor transfer, assign and set over to Assignee, and Assignee take assignment of, all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to the Leases and the estates created thereby, and (ii) Assignor is willing to transfer, assign and set over to Assignee all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to the Leases and the estates created thereby, subject to the terms and conditions of this Sale, Assumption and Assignment Agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the premises, mutual promises, representations, warranties and covenants contained in this Sale, Assumption and Assignment Agreement and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which are hereby acknowledged, and intending to be legally bound hereby, Assignor and Assignee hereby agree as follows:

1. <u>Effective Date</u>. The Effective Date of this Agreement shall be June 4, 2009.

2. <u>Assignment of Lease</u>. As of the Effective Date, Assignor does hereby transfer, assign and set over to Assignee, and Assignee does hereby take assignment of, all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to the Leases and the estates created thereby. In consideration thereof, on the Effective Date, Assignee shall pay to Assignor the sum of \$175,000.00, less \$26,250.00 which Assignee has placed in escrow for the benefit of Assignor.

3. <u>Assumption of Obligations</u>. Assignee does hereby assume and does hereby agree to observe, perform, fulfill and discharge, all of Assignor's duties, obligations, and liabilities of whatever nature that are required to be performed, that accrue, or that relate to the period on or after the Effective Date under the Leases and the Order.

4. <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. Assignee hereby acknowledges and agrees the Leases are transferred, assigned and set over to Assignee AS IS, WHERE IS, without representations or warranties of any kind whatsoever and that the premises covered by the Leases will be delivered AS IS, WHERE IS on the Effective Date, notwithstanding any contrary provision of the Leases.

5. <u>Indemnification</u>. Assignee hereby agrees to indemnify, protect, defend and hold Assignor harmless from and against all claims, damages, losses, costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) arising in connection with the Leases and relating to the period on or after the Effective Date.

6. <u>Bid Protection</u>. Assignor agrees to pay Assignee a break-up fee of \$40,000.00 (the "Break-Up Fee") and if, and only if (i) Assignee is not in breach of or default under this Agreement, (ii) the Agreement is not conditioned on conducting any further, or completing, due diligence and (iii) Assignor consummates an assignment or other transfer of the Leases with a higher or otherwise better bidder following an auction. In the event the Assignee is not the highest or otherwise best bidder, but is the next highest or otherwise best bidder, the Assignee agrees to keep this proposal open until the closing of a transaction with the highest or otherwise best bidder and close with the Assignor if the Assignor does not close with such higher or otherwise better bidder.

7. <u>Notices</u>. Any notice, demand, consent, approval, direction, agreement or other communication required or permitted hereunder or under any other documents in connection herewith shall be in writing and shall be directed as follows:

If to Assignor:

Circuit City Stores, Inc. Attn: Director of Real Estate 4951 Lake Brook Drive Glen Allen, VA 23060

with a copy to:

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP Attn: Gregg M. Galardi, Ian S. Fredericks, Chris L. Dickerson and T. Kellan Grant One Rodney Square Wilmington, DE 19889

If to Assignee:

Creative Realty Management LLC

8. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement and the Order sets forth the entire agreement and understanding of Assignor and Assignee with respect to the matters contemplated by the Order and this Agreement.

9. <u>Parties Bound</u>. This Agreement shall bind and inure to the benefit of Assignor and Assignee and their respective successors and assigns.

10. <u>Applicable Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code and, to the extent not inconsistent, the internal laws of the State of Virginia without giving effect to the principles of conflicts of law thereof. The Bankruptcy Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction over this Agreement with respect to disputes between Assignor and Assignee.

11. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts for the convenience of the parties hereto, all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

# [SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by the duly authorized officers of Assignor and Assignee as of the date and year first written above.

CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC., on behalf of itself and its direct and indirect subsidiaries, as debtors and debtors in possession

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Name: Title:

# **CREATIVE REALTY MANAGEMENT LLC**

Cleice By: JOHN B MANNIX Name PASTNER Title: MANANNO

# Exhibit B

June 10, 2009

Circuit City Stores, Inc. 4951 Lake Brook Drive Glen Allen, Virginia 23060-9279

# Re: <u>Bloomingdale</u>, Illinois Lease

Dear Sirs:

Reference is hereby made to that certain Lease dated as of September 19, 1986, a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> (such lease, as amended or otherwise affected by the documents set forth in paragraph 1 below, the "<u>Lease</u>") between Simon Property Group (Illinois) LP. (successor to C.Y.A., Inc.), as landlord ("<u>Landlord</u>") and Circuit City Stores, Inc. (successor to Service Merchandise Company, Inc.), as tenant ("<u>Tenant</u>") for a certain parcel of land located at 340 West Army Road in Bloomingdale, Illinois (the "<u>Premises</u>").

Landlord understands that Tenant filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code on November 10, 2008 and that on June 10, 2009, the United States Bankruptcy Court entered an order approving the sale, assumption and assignment of the Lease.

Landlord is the landlord under the Lease and Landlord owns the Premises in fee. With respect to the Lease, Landlord hereby certifies to Tenant and to its successors and assigns that

1. the Lease is valid, in existence and in full force and effect and has not been amended, modified, or supplemented except as follows:

- (a) Memorandum of Lease dated May 8, 1987,
- (b) Letter Agreement dated May 13, 1988,
- (c) Letter Agreement dated July 25, 1988,
- (d) Agreement Setting Lease Term dated August 1, 1989,
- (e) Corrective Memorandum of Lease dated April 2, 1990,
- (f) Amendment to Lease dated October 17, 1990, and
- (g) Estoppel Certificate dated June 7, 2002.

2. the commencement date of the Lease was March 18, 1989 and the date of the expiration of the Lease will be February 28, 2010.

3. Tenant has the right and option to extend the term of the Lease for ten successive periods of five years each.

4. as of the date hereof, there is no default by Landlord or, to the best of the Landlord's knowledge except that Tenant owes prorated June, 2009 rents under the Lease which will be resolved upon entry of an order by the Bankruptcy Court approving the assignment of the Lease and the occurrence of the Effective Date of the assignment to the Assignee, by Tenant under the Lease and no event has occurred and is continuing which would constitute a default or violation of the Lease by Landlord or, to the best of the Landlord's knowledge, by Tenant with the giving of notice or the passage of time or both.

5. Rent:

(i) The current rent payable under the terms of the Lease is \$129,999.96 per annum, payable in monthly installments.

(ii) Upon the Effective Date of the assignment of the Lease to the Assignee, the rent payable under the terms of the Lease will have been paid through June 9, 2009.

6. With the exception of Landlord's mortgagee, Landlord has not assigned its rights under the Lease except as indicated in the first paragraph of this Estoppel Certificate.

7. There are no current actions, whether voluntary or otherwise, pending against Landlord under any insolvency, bankruptcy or other debtor relief laws of the United States.

[Signature Page Follows]

The undersigned has executed and delivered this Estoppel Certificate on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

LANDLORD:

# SIMON PROPERTY GROUP (ILLINOIS) LP, an Illinois limited partnership

- By: CHARLES MALL COMPANY LMITED PARTNERSHIP, a Maryland limited partnership, its general partner
- By: SIMON PROPERTY GROUP (DELAWARE), INC., a Delaware corporation, its general partner

By:	
Name:	
Title:	

By:

# EXHIBIT A

(the Lease).

# Exhibit C

June 9, 2009

Circuit City Stores, Inc. 4951 Lake Brook Drive Glen Allen, Virginia 23060-9279

# Re: Bloomingdale, Illinois Sublease

Dear Sirs:

Reference is hereby made to that certain Sublease dated as of January, 2004, a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> (such sublease, as amended or otherwise affected by the documents set forth in paragraph 1 below, the "<u>Sublease</u>") between Circuit City Stores, Inc., as sublandlord ("<u>Sublandlord</u>") and Dollar Tree Stores, Inc., as subtenant ("<u>Subtenant</u>") for the premises located at 340 West Army Road in Bloomingdale, Illinois (the "<u>Premises</u>").

Subtenant understands that Sublandlord filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code on November 10, 2008 and that on June 3, 2009, the United States Bankruptcy Court entered an order approving the sale, assumption and assignment of the Lease.

With respect to the Sublease, Subtenant hereby certifies to Sublandlord and to Sublandlord's successors and assigns and Sublandlord certifies to its successors and assigns that

1. the Sublease is valid, in existence and in full force and effect and has not been amended, modified, or supplemented.

2. the commencement date of the Sublease was January 2004 and the date of the expiration of the Sublease will be February 28, 2015, provided that Sublandlord extends the term of the Prime Lease.

3. Subtenant has the option to extend the term of the Sublease for ten consecutive five year periods, conditioned upon Sublandlord's extension of the Prime Lease (as defined in the Sublease). As of the date herein, Subtenant has exercised its rights to renew the terms of the Sublease for an additional five (5) year term.

4 as of the date hereof, to the best knowledge of Subtenant and Sublandlord, there is no default by Subtenant or by Sublandlord under the Sublease, and to the best knowledge of Subtenant and Sublandlord, no event has occurred or is continuing which would constitute a default or violate the Sublease by Subtenant or by Sublandlord, with the giving of notice or the passage of time or both.



5. Rent:

(i) The current Base Rent (as defined in the Sublease) payable under the terms of the Sublease is \$109,205.25 per annum, payable in monthly installments.

(ii) The Base Rent and Additional Rent (as defined in the Sublease) payable under the terms of the Sublease have been paid through June 3, 2009.

(iii) Sublandlord has not agreed to any free rent period.

6. Subtenant has not assigned its rights under the Sublease or further subleased any portion of the Premises.

7. There are no current actions, whether voluntary or otherwise, pending against Subtenant under any insolvency, bankruptcy or other debtor relief laws of the United States.

8. The Premises consists of approximately 14,091 square feet of ground floor space in the shopping center.

9. Subtenant has not been granted any rent abatements or concessions for the term of the Sublease, except as set forth in the Sublease, and Subtenant is not owed any money by Sublandlord which can be offset or otherwise deducted from the rent due under the Sublease.

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The undersigned has executed and delivered this Estoppel Certificate on this 3rd day of June, 2009.

SUBTENANT:

DOLLAR TREE STORES, INC. John L. Cote Vice President Corporate Counsel 6-9-09

SUBLANDLORD:

CIRCUIT CITY STORES, INC.

By:



# EXHIBIT A

(Sublease)

