UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA TERRE HAUTE DIVISION

IN RE:)	Chapter 11
UNIVERSAL LAND & LIVESTOCK, LLC,)	CASE NO. 17-80750-JJG-11
)	
Debtor.)	

FIRST DAY MOTION FOR ENTRY OF INTERIM AND FINAL ORDERS AUTHORIZING DEBTOR (A) TO UTILIZE CASH COLLATERAL PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §363, AND (B) GRANTING ADEQUATE PROTECTION TO PREPETITION SECURED LENDER PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §361, NUNC PRO TUNC, TO PETITION DATE

Universal Land & Livestock, LLC, debtor-in-possession (the "Debtor"), by counsel, and for its *First Day Motion for Entry of Interim and Final Orders (A) Authorizing Debtor to Use Cash Collateral Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §363, and (B) Granting Adequate Protection to Pre-Petition Secured Lender Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §361, Nunc Pro Tunc to Petition Date* (the "Cash Use Motion"), respectfully states as follows:

I. Jurisdiction

1. On November 9, 2017, (the "Petition Date"), the Debtor filed its voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§101 *et seq.*, as amended (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Debtor continues to operate its businesses and manage its property as debtor-in-possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

2. This court has jurisdiction over this motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1157 and 1334. Venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§1408 and 1409. This motion is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §157(b)(2).

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The statutory bases for relief requested herein are sections 105(a), 361,
363, 1107 and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

4. No Trustee or examiner has been appointed in this chapter 11 case. No committee of unsecured creditors has yet been appointed in this chapter 11 case.

5. The Debtor has left messages concerning the filing of its case with the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of Indiana (the "Trustee"), and advised the Trustee of its first day motion. This motion is a First Day Motion pursuant to S.D. Ind. L.R. B-9013-3.

6. The Debtor owns and operates a cattle-finishing operation located in Vermillion County, Indiana. The cattle finishing business includes a cow/calf operation, in house breeding, and finishing cattle off to market weight fats. The Debtor's assets consist of real estate holdings, equipment, and cattle. The Debtor owns approximately 3,800 acres of farm ground located in Vermillion County, Indiana; Vigo County, Indiana; and Edgar County, Illinois.

II. Relief Requested

7. By this Motion, the Debtor seeks the entry of interim and final orders authorizing the Debtor to use cash collateral.

8. As of the Petition Date, the Debtor is indebted to First Financial Bank, National Association ("First Financial"). The Debtor has performed a preliminary investigation and analysis of the related UCC filings, and based upon preliminary investigation believes, that without waiver of rights to challenge the validity, priority and extent of the liens, all of the Debtor's obligations to First Financial may be valid,

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enforceable and non-avoidable, first-priority liens and security interests in substantially all of the Debtor's personal property and real property.

9. The Debtor has an immediate need to use cash collateral which is the subject of the liens in favor of First Financial, in order to permit, among other things, the orderly continuation of the operation of the Debtor's business, to maintain business relationships with vendors and suppliers and to satisfy other working capital needs. Use of cash collateral is necessary to prevent the immediate and irreparable harm to the Debtor and its respective estate that would otherwise result if the Debtor is prevented from obtaining use of cash collateral for the foregoing purposes.

10. All of the Debtor's cash, cash equivalents and cash on deposit as of the Petition Date and all proceeds of the Debtor's personal property securing the Debtor's obligation to First Financial, among other things, may constitute "cash collateral" (as that term is defined in Section 363(a) of the Bankruptcy Code) of First Financial.

11. First Financial may be entitled to adequate protection of its interests in the Debtor's personal property, including any cash collateral thereof, for any diminution in value of such property or cash collateral, including any diminution resulting from the use of cash collateral and the imposition of the automatic stay. The Debtor believes, in an exercise of its prudent business judgment, that the adequate protection given by the proposed granting of replacement liens over cash collateral to the same extent, validity and priority of First Financial's pre-petition liens is fair, reasonable and necessary under the circumstances. As additional adequate protection to First Financial, the Debtor agrees to operate under the budget attached hereto as Exhibit "A" which covers a thirty-day period after the Petition Date.

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12. The Debtor believes that the use of cash collateral is fair, reasonable and necessary under the circumstances, and reflects First Financial's exercise of prudent business judgment consistent with its fiduciary duties.

WHEREFORE, the Debtor, by counsel, requests that the Court enter an Interim Order *nunc pro tunc* to the Petition Date providing for the following:

(a) Granting replacement liens over cash collateral in favor of First Financial pursuant to section 361(2) of the Bankruptcy Code to the same extent, validity and priority of Swift's pre-petition liens, and deem such liens as adequate protection to Swift for use of the cash collateral;

(b) Authorizing the Debtor to use cash collateral as provided in the projections or budget attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

(c) All other appropriate relief under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on November 13, 2017, a copy of the foregoing was filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent to the following parties through the Court's Electronic Case Filing System. Parties may access this filing through the Court's system.

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I further certify that on November 13, 2017, a copy of the foregoing was mailed by first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to the following:

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