UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

Case No. 17-31929

In re:

Chapter 11

Empire Rentals, LLC

Debtor.

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I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

Empire Rentals, LLC (the "Debtor") filed this case pursuant to Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code on June 9, 2017. The Debtor is filing this Disclosure Statement (hereinafter "Disclosure Statement") which has been prepared for the Bankruptcy Court's approval for submission to the holders of the claims and interests with respect to the Debtor and its assets. Capitalized terms used in this Disclosure Statement shall have the meanings given to them in the Plan or by the Bankruptcy Code unless the context otherwise requires.

Chapter 11 is the principal reorganization chapter of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtor is protected by the automatic stay provisions of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code while it attempts to present a plan of reorganization to its creditors.

The Debtor's Disclosure Statement is furnished pursuant to Section 1125 of the Bankruptcy Code and is intended to provide all persons known to have claims against the Debtor with sufficient information to permit them to make an informed judgment as to their votes to accept or reject the Plan. No representations concerning the Debtor, particularly as to its future business operations, the value of its property, other than those set forth in this Disclosure Statement, are authorized by the Debtor.

ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR INDUCEMENTS MADE TO SECURE YOUR ACCEPTANCE WHICH ARE OTHER THAN THOSE IN THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT SHOULD NOT BE RELIED UPON BY YOU IN ARRIVING AT YOUR DECISION, AND ANY SUCH ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATIONS OR INDUCEMENTS SHOULD BE REPORTED TO COUNSEL FOR THE DEBTOR OR TO THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE, WHO, IN TURN, SHALL DELIVER THIS INFORMATION TO THE BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR SUCH ACTIONS AS MAY BE DEEMED APPROPRIATE.

THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY THE DEBTOR BUT HAS NOT BEEN INDEPENDENTLY AUDITED. ALL STATEMENTS CONCERNING FINANCIAL DATA ARE MADE IN GOOD FAITH AND ARE INTENDED TO BE AS COMPLETE AND AS ACCURATE AS POSSIBLE WITHIN THESE LIMITATIONS. BANKRUPTCY COUNSEL FOR THE DEBTOR HAS NOT VERIFIED ANY OF THE INFORMATION SET FORTH IN THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT.

II. <u>NATURE AND HISTORY OF THE DEBTOR'S BUSINESS AND EVENTS LEADING</u> <u>TO THE FILING OF THE CHAPTER 11 CASE</u>

A. Organization and Operation.

Empire Rentals, LLC owns and operates real estate located at 4526-4532 East 200th Street, Vermillion Township, Minnesota 55033, in Dakota County, Minnesota (the "Property"). There are five (5) parcels to the Property, as shown on <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto. The Property consists of forty-one (41) studio rentals that are fully furnished and equipped with equipment that allows the tenant to cook meals. The Property also has a duplex that is rented on a month-to-month basis. The principals of the Debtor, Vernon Napper and Roxanne Napper are the owner / operators of the Debtor, and have been since approximately 1986.

The encumbrances against this real estate are explained in the attached balance sheets.

B. Events Leading to Filing of Petition

On August 28, 2008, MidCountry Bank ("MidCountry") made a loan to the Debtor in the principal amount of \$1,410,574.00. The Debtor signed customary loan documents evidencing this transaction. On March 16, 2010, MidCountry made a second loan to the Debtor in the principal amount of \$165,000.00. The Debtor signed customary loan documents evidencing this transaction.

The Debtor defaulted under the obligations to MidCountry around April 2012. At the time of default, the Debtor owed MidCountry \$1,644,977.26. On this same day, the Debtor and the guarantors, Vernon and Roxanne Napper, entered into a forbearance agreement. The Debtor faithfully made payments under the forbearance agreement for approximately sixty-six (66) months. Rather than continue to work with the Debtor on another forbearance agreement, MidCountry chose to file a "foreclosure by action" in Dakota County District Court. ("Dakota County Foreclosure Action").

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The payments by the Debtor pursuant to the forbearance agreement decreased the balance owed to MidCountry to \$1,477,295.07 as of February 22, 2017. On March 29, 2017, the Debtor did receive an offer to purchase the Property for \$2,825,000.00, but decided not to move forward with the sale due to signification tax liabilities that would result from a sale. *See attached* <u>Exhibit B</u> (copy of offer on Property).

The Debtor did hire counsel to assist it with the Dakota County Foreclosure Action. The Debtor was incurring attorney fees in what it viewed was a losing battle against MidCountry, so on June 1, 2017, the Debtor and Napper reluctantly stipulated to a money judgment, to allow MidCountry to proceed with a foreclosure by action, and for the appointment of a receiver. The Debtor, having second thoughts about what it signed on June 1, 2017, decided that it would like to control its own destiny and continue to operate the business as a debtor-in-possession. To effectuate this desire, the Debtor filed a chapter 11 petition on June 9, 2017, and that case is now pending before this Court.

C. Operations During Chapter 11

1. Monthly Operating Results.

The operating reports filed by the Debtor can be viewed on the court website, or counsel for the Debtor can provide these reports upon request. These reports are not being attached as an exhibit to this Disclosure Statement due to the voluminous pages in each report.

2. <u>Retention of Professionals</u>:

The Debtor has retained the Lamey Law Firm as the Debtor's bankruptcy counsel. There is no Committee of Unsecured Creditors.

3. <u>Liquidation Analysis</u>:

Attached as <u>Exhibit C</u> is a liquidation analysis.

4. Financial Reports and Recent Bank Statements:

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Balance sheet for the Debtor, as of 10/31/2017 is attached as <u>Exhibit D</u>. Financial projections for the Debtor is attached as <u>Exhibit F</u>.

III. CLAIMS AGAINST OTHERS

A. Preferences

The Debtor does not believe that there are preferential transfers which have been made to third parties. The Debtor was slightly behind with its payables at the time the Chapter 11 case was commenced. The Debtor believes that it will not be economically beneficial to pursue any potential preferential transfers. Based upon an analysis conducted by the Debtor, the Debtor does not believe that there are preferential transfers that can be pursued

B. Claims Against Insiders

The Debtor believes that there are no claims against Insiders. The compensation taken by Vernon and Roxanne Napper during the applicable lookback period was reasonable and customary considering the value that was provided to the Debtor.

C. Compensation of Officers

The current Owner of the Debtor is and will be Vernon and Roxanne Napper. The future compensation of each will be \$60,000 per year each, which is over a 20% reduction from the pre-petition salary. They will continue to manage and operate the Debtor as consideration for this compensation.

D. Objections to Claims Against the Debtor

The claim filing bar date for creditors other than governmental units was October 11, 2017. The claim filing bar date for governmental units was October 11, 2017. The Debtor has reviewed all the filed claims, and does not anticipate asserting claim objections. However, MidCountry has not yet filed a claim, so the Debtor can not determine if it agrees with the amount owed to MidCountry.

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IV. DESCRIPTION OF THE DEBTORS PLAN OF REORGANIZATION

A. Description and Treatment of Classes of Claims.

1. <u>Class 1 - Priority Claims</u>

This Class is unimpaired. The IRS is owed \$732.87. The claims will be paid in full within ten (10) days after the Effective Date of this Plan. The Debtor will pay all post-petition taxes in the ordinary course of business as they come due. This Class is not impaired.

2. <u>Class 2 - Secured Claim of MidCountry Bank ("MidCountry")</u>

The Debtor has a loan with MidCountry secured by the Property. The balance of the claim is in the approximate amount of \$1,600,000.00 (subject to verification and objection if necessary. The actual claim of MidCountry will be paid according to the following terms below). The fair market value of the Property was determined to be \$2,825,000.00 based on a recent offer in March 2017. See Exhibit B. Accordingly the Class 2 Creditor will have a secured claim in the amount of \$1,600,000.00, which the Debtor will issue a promissory note that will require monthly installments of \$7,638.76 (using a 30 year amortization schedule). Simple interest will accrue on the unpaid balance at the rate of 4.0% simple interest per annum commencing 10 days after the Effective Date of the Plan, and continuing for the period of repayment under this Plan. The promissory note to be issued by the Debtor will mature on December 31, 2032, and any balance left owing at that time will "balloon" and become immediately due. The promissory note to issue will have no prepayment penalty. Additionally, the promissory note to issue will only require, as financial reporting requirement, an annual disclosure of the Debtor's federal income tax return. MidCountry's existing mortgages will remain valid. This is an Impaired Class.

3. <u>Class 3 - Secured Claim of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. ("Wells Fargo")</u>

The Debtor has a loan with the Wells Fargo secured by real estate. The balance of the

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claim is in the approximate amount of \$139,000.00. The fair market value of the Property securing this creditor is greater than the amount owed to Wells Fargo. Accordingly, the Class 2 Creditor will have a secured claim in the approximate amount of \$139,000, which the Debtor will repay according to all of the pre-petition contractual terms. Payment are current with Wells Fargo. This class is not impaired.

4. <u>Class 4 - Secured Claim of Dakota County</u>

The Debtor owes delinquent real estate taxes to Dakota County on the Property. The balance of the Claim is in the approximate amount of \$45,170.81. The Class 4 Creditor will have a fully Secured Claim in the amount of \$45,170.81, which the Debtor will pay in sixty monthly (60) installments of \$960.75. Interest will accrue on the unpaid balance at the rate of ten percent (10.0%) per annum. This is an Impaired Class.

5. <u>Class 5 Class of General Unsecured Creditors (non-disputed)</u>

The Debtor owes approximately \$18,500.00 to Unsecured Creditors in this class. The Debtor's proposal with respect to Unsecured Creditors is to pay them 80% of their allowed Unsecured Claims (\$14,800.00), at an interest rate of zero percent (0.0%), payable as follows: \$616.67 paid monthly for twenty-four (24) months, with the first payment being due 10 days after the Effective Date, for a total amount paid of \$14,800.00. This is an Impaired Class.

6. <u>Class 6 Class of General Unsecured Creditors (disputed)</u>

The Debtor owes \$24,000.00 to a disputed Unsecured Creditors in this class (United Capital Partners, Inc.). The Debtor's proposal with respect this disputed Unsecured Creditors is to pay it 60% of their allowed Unsecured Claims (\$14,400.00), at an interest rate of zero percent (0.0%), payable as follows: \$600.00 paid monthly for twenty-four (24) months, with the first payment being due 10 days after the Effective Date, for a total amount paid of \$14,400.00. This is an Impaired Class.

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7. <u>Class 7 – Equity Security Holders of the Debtor</u>

The Equity Security Holders (Vernon and Roxanne Napper) will retain their membership interests in the Debtor subsequent to confirmation of the Plan for cash contribution of \$2500.00 each (total of \$5000.00). This cash payment to the Debtor is due 10 days after the Effective Date. This is an Unimpaired Class.

B. Classes Of Claims And Interests Impaired Under Plan

1. <u>Impaired Classes</u>: Classes 2, 4, 5, and 6 are Impaired under this Plan and are entitled to vote for or reject the Plan. Classes 1, 3, and 7 are Unimpaired under this Plan.

2. <u>Unclassified Claims</u>: Allowed Claims that are not classified shall be treated as follows: Unclassified Claims.

3. <u>Administrative Expense Claims.</u> Each holder of an administrative expense claim allowed under §503 of the Code will be paid in full on the Effective Date of this Plan (as defined in Article IX of the Plan), in cash, or upon such other terms as may be agreed upon by the holder of the claim and the Debtor. These claims are estimated to be \$15,000.00.

4. <u>Priority Tax Claims.</u> The Debtor has priority tax claims in the amount of
\$732.87. These tax claims will be treated as unsecured priority tax claims and will be paid in
full 10 days after the Effective Date.

5. <u>United States Trustee Fees.</u> All fees required to be paid by 28 U.S.C. §1930(a)(6) (U.S. Trustee Fees) will accrue and be timely paid until the case is closed, dismissed, or converted to another chapter of the Code. Any U.S. Trustee Fees owed on or before the effective date of this Plan will be paid on the effective date. All US Trustee Reports will be prepared and filed by the Debtor while the case is pending in the Bankruptcy Court.

C. Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

1. <u>Assumed Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases.</u>

a. The Debtor assumed the following executory contracts and/or unexpired leases effective upon the Effective Date of this Plan as provided in Article VIII: all lease agreement with tenants.

b. The Debtor will be conclusively deemed to have rejected all executory

contracts and/or unexpired lease not expressly assumed under the above section or before the date of the order confirming this Plan, upon the Effective Date of this Plan.

D. Summary of Plan and Means For Execution Of the Plan

The Debtor is pursuing this Plan to continue its business operations subsequent to approval of this Plan of Reorganization. The Debtor will make payments due under the Plan from business operations. The Debtor does not require any capital infusion or additional loans. The Debtor anticipates no adverse tax consequences to it as a result of the Court confirming the Debtor's Plan of Reorganization. Creditors or Equity Security Holders that are concerned with the Plan may effect their tax liability should consult with their own accountants, attorneys and/or business advisors.

F. Future Management of the Debtor

The Debtor will continue to be managed by Vernon Napper and Roxanne Napper. The Nappers are the owners of the Debtor. Mr. Napper has lead the Debtor since the inception of the business. Mr. and Mrs. Napper have agreed to take a salary of about 20% less based on the pre-petition salary. The Nappers work extensive hours and are committed to the success of the Debtor. The Nappers' compensation may be increased from time to time, provided that such increases do not deviate materially from increases that would result from tying raises directly to changes in the consumer price index.

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V. CONFIRMATION STANDARDS

To be confirmable, the Plan must meet the requirements listed in §§1129(a) or (b) of the Code. These include the requirements that: the Plan must be proposed in good faith; at least one impaired class of claims must accept the plan, without counting votes of insiders; the Plan must distribute to each creditor and equity interest holder at least as much as the creditor or equity interest holder would receive in a chapter 7 liquidation case, unless the creditor or equity interest holder votes to accept the Plan; and the Plan must be feasible. These requirements are not the only requirements listed in § 1129, and they are not the only requirements for confirmation.

A. Who May Vote or Object

Any party in interest may object to the confirmation of the Plan if the party believes that the requirements for confirmation are not met.

Many parties in interest, however, are not entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan. A creditor or equity interest holder has a right to vote for or against the Plan only if that creditor or equity interest holder has a claim or equity interest that is both (1) allowed or allowed for voting purposes and (2) impaired.

In this case, the Plan Proponent believes that Classes 2, 4, 5, and 6 are impaired and that holders of claims in these Classes are therefore entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan. The Plan Proponent believes that all other Classes are unimpaired and that holders of claims in each of these classes, therefore, do not have the right to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

Only a creditor or equity interest holder with an allowed claim or an allowed equity interest has the right to vote on the Plan. Generally, a claim or equity interest is allowed if either (1) the Debtor has scheduled the claim on the Debtor's schedules, unless the claim has been scheduled as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated, or (2) the creditor has filed a proof of claim

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or equity interest, unless an objection has been filed to such proof of claim or equity interest. When a claim or equity interest is not allowed, the creditor or equity interest holder holding the claim or equity interest cannot vote unless the Court, after notice and hearing, either overrules the objection or allows the claim or equity interest for voting purposes pursuant to Rule 3018(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure.

As noted above, the holder of an allowed claim or equity interest has the right to vote

only if it is in a class that is *impaired* under the Plan. As provided in § 1124 of the Code, a class

is considered impaired if the Plan alters the legal, equitable, or contractual rights of the

members of that class.

The holders of the following five types of claims and equity interests are not entitled to

vote:

- holders of claims and equity interests that have been disallowed by an order of the Court;
- holders of other claims or equity interests that are not "allowed claims" or "allowed equity interests" (as discussed above), unless they have been "allowed" for voting purposes.
- holders of claims or equity interests in unimpaired classes;
- holders of claims entitled to priority pursuant to §§ 507(a)(2), (a)(3), and (a)(8) of the Code;
- holders of claims or equity interests in classes that do not receive or retain any value under the Plan; and
- administrative expenses.

A creditor whose claim has been allowed in part as a secured claim and in part as an

unsecured claim, or who otherwise hold claims in multiple classes, is entitled to accept or reject

a Plan in each capacity, and should cast one ballot for each claim.

B. Votes Necessary to Confirm the Plan

If impaired classes exist, the Court cannot confirm the Plan unless (1) at least one

impaired class of creditors has accepted the Plan without counting the votes of any insiders

within that class, and (2) all impaired classes have voted to accept the Plan, unless the Plan is

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eligible to be confirmed by "cram down" on non-accepting classes, as discussed later in this section B.

A class of claims accepts the Plan if both of the following occur: (1) the holders of more than one-half $(\frac{1}{2})$ of the allowed claims in the class, who vote, cast their votes to accept the Plan, and (2) the holders of at least two-thirds (2/3) in dollar amount of the allowed claims in the class, who vote, cast their votes to accept the Plan.

A class of equity interests accepts the Plan if the holders of at least two-thirds (2/3) in amount of the allowed equity interests in the class, who vote, cast their votes to accept the Plan.

Even if one or more impaired classes reject the Plan, the Court may nonetheless confirm the Plan if the non-accepting classes are treated in the manner prescribed by §1129(b) of the Code. A plan that binds non-accepting classes is commonly referred to as a "cram down" plan. The Code allows the Plan to bind non-accepting classes of claims or equity interests if it meets all the requirements for consensual confirmation except the voting requirements of §1129(a)(8) of the Code, does not "discriminate unfairly," and is "fair and equitable" toward each impaired class that has not voted to accept the Plan.

You should consult your own attorney if a "cramdown" confirmation will affect your claim or equity interest, as the variations on this general rule are numerous and complex.

C. Liquidation Analysis

To confirm the Plan, the Court must find that all creditors and equity interest holders who do not accept the Plan will receive at least as much under the Plan as such claim and equity interest holders would receive in a chapter 7 liquidation. A liquidation analysis is attached to this Disclosure Statement as <u>Exhibit C</u>. The liquidation analysis shows that unsecured creditors and equity holders would likely receive payment in full once the Property is sold and the administration of the liquidation case is over. However, it would likely take a chapter 7 trustee

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over two years to liquidate the Property, hire an accountant to file an estate tax return, pay the capital gains taxes, and then seek approval of the final report. The Debtor believe the discount to the unsecured creditors, and the start of immediate payments, is more favorable than waiting for a lump sum payment under a liquidation. The date of liquidation was chosen as October 31, 2017.

D. Feasibility

The Court must find that confirmation of the Plan is not likely to be followed by the liquidation, or the need for further financial reorganization, of the Debtor or any successor to the Debtor, unless such liquidation or reorganization is proposed in the Plan. The Plan Proponent believes that the Debtor will have enough cash on hand on the effective date of the Plan to pay all the claims and expenses that are entitled to be paid on that date. The Plan Proponent has provided Balance Sheets as of October 31, 2017 as Exhibit D.

The Plan Proponent must also show that it will have enough cash over the life of the Plan to make the required Plan payments. The Plan Proponent has provided projected financial information. Those projections are listed in <u>Exhibit E</u>. The projections are based on the Debtor's books and records. The monthly revenue have been very consistent in recent years. The projections hold the revenue at a constant figure, which is conservative.

The Debtor's financial projections show that the Debtor will have an aggregate annual positive cash flow, after paying operating expenses. The projections show that the Debtor will be able to fund future payments due under the Plan. Like any projections, the Debtor has made a good faith projection of the revenue and expenses. Various factors outside of the control of the Debtor may cause the revenue or the expenses to be higher, or lower than these estimates.

You Should Consult with Your Accountant or other Financial Advisor If You Have Any Questions Pertaining to These Projections. These Projections were made in good faith

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using the Debtor's books and records, and management's input as to student retention and new business.

E. Discharge Of Debtor

Except as otherwise provided in this Plan, confirmation of this Plan discharges, waives, and releases the Debtors from any debt that arose before the Confirmation Date and any debt of a kind specified in Sections 502(g), 502(h), or 502(i) of the Bankruptcy Code, regardless of whether or not proof of the claim based on such debt was filed or deemed filed under Section 501 of the Bankruptcy Code, such Claim is allowed under Section 502 of the Bankruptcy Code, or the holder of such claim has accepted the Plan. The payments of, distributions on account of, or treatments of claims in this Plan are deemed to satisfy in full all claims.

F. Modification of Plan

The Plan Proponent may modify the Plan at any time before confirmation of the Plan. However, the Court may require a new disclosure statement and/or revoting on the Plan.

G. Final Decree

Once the estate has been fully administered, as provided in Rule 3022 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the Plan Proponent, or such other party as the Court shall designate in the Plan Confirmation Order, shall file a motion with the Court to obtain a final decree to close the case, or, the Court may enter such a final decree on its own motion.

H. Certain Risks to Mortgage Holders

The real estate taxes on the Property are delinquent. Real Estate taxes are a priority lien on the real estate, and the real estate taxes are superior to any mortgages that encumber the property. The fact that real estate taxes are delinquent weakens the security interest of the mortgage holders. However, the Debtor have agreed to pay the past due real estate taxes as part of this Plan, and have the cash flow to meet future real estate tax obligations.

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VI. CERTAIN FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE PLAN

The following is intended only as a summary of potential federal income tax consequences of the Plan. Neither this summary nor any other information provided herein should be construed to be the opinion of the Debtor or the Debtor's counsel for purposes of tax planning or reporting. Neither the IRS nor any other taxing authority has participated in the preparation of these materials, and this discussion of tax consequences is not binding on the IRS or any other taxing authority. In general, because the Plan provides for payment of all claims in full, it is not expected to have any significant tax consequences on creditors or the Debtor. To the extent that the Plan results in certain creditors having reportable loss or gain, the appropriate treatment for purposes of federal income taxes will depend on a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the following: (i) whether the creditor's claim arises out of a transaction that was of a personal rather than a business nature; (ii) the tax basis of the creditor's claim; and (iii) the degree to which the creditor may be able to claim that the value of a particular claim is affected by the Plan. With respect to the Debtor, if the Plan were to result in the discharge of indebtedness a possible tax consequence of the Plan would be that certain tax attributes, including, but not limited to, the Debtor's basis in property, could be reduced to the extent debt is discharged. The foregoing discussion does not constitute tax advice, and is only intended to provide a summary of certain material tax issues that each creditor might consider in deciding how to vote on the Plan. The tax consequences for any particular creditor or other party in interest may involve a large number of variables, and the Debtor therefore makes no representations as to the specific tax implications for any creditor. Creditors and other parties in interest are therefore strongly urged to seek professional advice regarding the tax consequences of the Plan.

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PURSUANT TO U.S. TREASURY REGULATIONS, PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ANY U.S. FEDERAL TAX ADVICE INCLUDED IN THIS COMMUNICATION (1) IS NOT INTENDED OR WRITTEN TO BE USED, AND CANNOT BE USED, TO AVOID ANY U.S. FEDERAL TAX PENALTIES, AND (2) IS PROVIDED TO SUPPORT THE PROMOTION OR MARKETING OF THE PLAN. ANY TAXPAYER RECEIVING THIS COMMUNICATION SHOULD SEEK ADVICE FROM AN INDEPENDENT TAX ADVISOR.

VII. CONCLUSION

The Debtor believes that acceptance of the Plan is in the best interest of all parties. The Debtor urges all holders of claims and interests to vote in favor of the Plan.

Empire Rentals, LLC

Dated: December 15, 2017

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EXHIBIT A



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EXHIBIT B

PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Date: March 29, 2017

RECEIVED of_	Kurt Johnson	
the sum of	Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) Dollars
check due upon ac	cceptance, as earnest money and in part payment fo	r the purchase of property at
	4526 200 th St, Hastings, MN 55033 (43	
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situated in the Sta	te of Minnesota, and legally described on Exhibit A	A, all of which property the
undersigned has th	nis day sold to the Buyer for the sum of	
Tw	o Million Eight Hundred Twenty Five Thousand D	ollars (\$2,825,000.00) ,
which the Buyer a	grees to pay in the following manner: Earnest mon	ev herein paid \$15,000,00 and

<u>\$2,810,000</u> cash on or before <u>May 26, 2017</u>, the date of closing.

- DEED/MARKETABLE TITLE: Subject to performance by the Buyer, the Seller agrees to execute and deliver a Warranty Deed conveying marketable title to said premises subject only to the following exceptions: a) building and zoning laws, ordinances, State and Federal regulations, b) reservation of any mineral or mineral rights to the State of MN, c) tenant leases, d) laundry leases, e) cable TV agreement, f) easements and restrictions of record which do not interfere with existing improvements.
- 2) SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS: Seller shall pay on the date of closing, all installments of special assessments certified for payment with the real estate taxes due and payable in the year of closing. Seller shall pay all special assessments levied and pending on the date of closing.
- 3) PRORATIONS: All items customarily prorated and adjusted in connection with the closing of the sale of the property herein including but not limited to rents, operating expenses and real estate taxes payable in 2017 shall be prorated as of the date of closing. It shall be assumed that the Buyer will own the property for the entire date of the closing.

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- 4) EXAMINATION OF TITLE: With reasonable time after acceptance of this agreement, Seller shall furnish Buyer with a commitment for title insurance. Buyer shall have 10 business days after receipt of the commitment for title insurance to provide Seller with a copy of the commitment and written objections. Buyer shall be deemed to have waived any title objections not made within the applicable 10 day period set forth above, except that this shall not operate as waiver of Seller's covenant to deliver a Warranty Deed unless a Warranty Deed is not specified above. If any objection is so made, Seller shall have 10 business days from receipt of Buyer's written title objections to notify Buyer of Sellers intention to make title marketable title within 120 days from the Seller's receipt of such written objection. If notice is given, payments hereunder required shall be postponed pending correction of title, but upon correction of title and within 10 days after written notice to Buyer, the parties shall perform this Purchase Agreement according to its terms. If no such notice is given but title is not corrected with time provided for, this Purchase Agreement shall be null and void, at option of Buyer, neither party shall be liable for damages hereunder to the other and earnest money shall be refunded to Buyer and Buyer and Seller agree to sign cancellation of Purchase Agreement. If Title to the property be found marketable or be so made within said time, and Buyer shall default in any of the agreements and continue to default for a period of 10 days, then and in that case the Seller may terminate this contract, and on such termination all payments made upon this contract shall be retained by Seller and agent, as their respective interests may appear, as liquidation damages, time being of the essence. This provision shall not deprive either party of the right to enforce the specific performance of this contract provided this contract has not been terminated and provided action to enforce such specific performance shall be commenced within six months after such right of action shall arise.
- 5) DAMAGES TO REAL PROPERTY: If there is any loss or damage to the property between the date hereof and the date of closing, for any reason, risk of the loss shall be on the Seller. If the property is destroyed or substantially damaged before the closing in excess of \$10,000, this Purchase Agreement shall become null and void at Buyer's or Seller's option. Buyer or Seller shall have the right to terminate this Purchase Agreement within 30 days after the Seller notifies Buyer of such damage. the earnest money shall be refunded to Buyer and Buyer and Seller agree to sign a cancellation of the Purchase Agreement.
- 6) POSSESSION: Seller shall deliver possession of the property on the date of closing.
- 7) COMMISSION: Commission to Michel Commercial Real Estate is paid by the Seller
- 8) MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS:
 - a) Survival: All warranties, representations, and covenants of this agreement shall survive and be enforceable after the closing.
 - b) Entire Agreement: This agreement constitutes the complete agreement between the parties and supersedes any prior oral or written agreement between the parties regarding the property. There are no verbal agreements that change this agreement and no waiver of any of its terms will be effective unless in a writing executed by both parties.
 - c) Successors and Assigns: If this agreement is assigned, all provisions of this agreement shall be binding on successors and assigns.
- 9) ACCEPTANCE DEADLINE: This offer to purchase, unless accepted sooner, shall be null and void after 5 days.

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CONDITION OF PROPERTY AND CODE COMPLIANCE

Seller's Warranties

As an inducement to Buyer to enter into this Agreement, and as part of the consideration therefore, Seller represents and warrants to and covenants with Buyer and its successors and assigns that:

- To the best of Seller's knowledge, Seller has received no outstanding notice of any violation of any law or ordinance from the City or any other local authority. Seller has and shall have, as of the closing date, complied with all applicable landlord and tenant laws of all governmental authorities having jurisdiction of the Property.
- To the best of Seller's knowledge, Seller has received no notice, and has no knowledge of any pending notice of, a violation of any statutes, ordinance, regulations, judicial decrees or orders, nor the pendency of any lawsuits, administrative or arbitration hearing or governmental investigations or proceedings affecting the Property and the use thereof;
- To the best of Seller's knowledge, all licenses and permits needed to operate the Property in the current manner are in full force and effect and, if assignable, Seller shall assign same to Buyer on the date of closing, at no additional cost to the Buyer;

CONTINGENCIES

Financing

Buyer's performance hereunder is expressly conditioned upon Buyer's obtaining financing for the purchase of the property within 30 days of acceptance of the purchase agreement, which financing shall be upon terms and conditions satisfactory to Buyer in Buyer's sole discretion. If such financing has not been obtained by said date, this agreement shall be voidable at the option of either party, and if so voided, all earnest money paid shall be immediately refunded to Buyer.

Inspection

Buyer's performance hereunder is expressly conditioned upon Buyer's inspection and approval of the property, which inspection shall be made within 14 days of acceptance of this Agreement or said inspection contingency shall be deemed to be waived by Buyer. If the inspection is unsatisfactory to Buyer, Buyer shall so notify Seller in writing within 10 days from the date of inspection and upon notification, this Agreement shall be voided at the option of either party and, if so voided all earnest money shall be immediately refunded to Buyer.

Documents

Within 10 days after the date of acceptance by Seller of this Agreement, Seller shall provide Buyer with:

- Current rent roll, listing the names of each tenant, lease occupancy date, lease expiration date, rent and security deposits held by Seller.
- Complete copies of all service and employment contracts of any kind or nature affecting the property, including caretaker contracts and service contracts, if any.
- Copies of 2014, 2015, and 2016 income and expense statements.

Seller hereby agrees that Buyer shall have the right to terminate this agreement and to have the earnest money paid herewith returned to Buyer, if any one or more of the foregoing items are not satisfactory to the Buyer in his absolute discretion. Said right to terminate this agreement shall expire 10 days after all of the foregoing items have been delivered to Buyer. If Buyer desires to exercise this option to terminate this contract, Buyer shall do so by serving written notice thereof to Seller in person or by registered mail on or before the expiration of said 10 day period where upon Buyer's earnest money shall be returned to Buyer forthwith. If 10 day period should expire without notice of Buyer's intention to terminate this Agreement, then this agreement shall be determined to be in full force and a closing shall be had.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Personal Property

Included in the sale are all refrigerators, stoves, air conditioners, fixtures, equipment, machinery, furniture, office supplies, maintenance supplies, lawnmower, snowblower, laundry machines, if any presently located on the property and owned by the Seller.

<u>As Is</u>

Buyer agrees to accept the real and personal Property "as is" and "where is" subject to all faults, in its condition on the closing date. Buyer acknowledges and agrees that (i) Subject to the rights of existing tenants Buyer will have had an opportunity prior to closing to review and inspect the physical condition of the property to the extent permitted hereby, is relying on its own investigation of the physical condition of the property, (ii) except for the warranties and representations of the Seller set forth in this agreement and the Seller's closing documents, neither Seller nor Agents have made and nor shall they make any verbal or written representations, warranties or certifications of any nature or kind whatsoever to Buyer, whether express or implied

Rent Roll

At closing Seller shall deliver to Buyer all agreements for security or damage deposits, all rent applications and copies of leases with regard to property. Seller shall execute and deliver to Buyer at closing a sworn statement itemizing the monthly rent, security deposit and accrued interest, and prepaid rents as to each unit of the Property. At the time of closing Seller shall credit to Buyer all such security deposits and interest thereon and any prepaid rents. Buyer shall assume all responsibility for complying with the terms of any security agreement and applicable provisions of law regarding the same. Seller shall be allowed to continue to lease and to renew existing leases in the Property in the ordinary course of business.

Confidentiality

This purchase agreement is confidential and needs to remain confidential.

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By: And R Green	By:
Kurt Johnson	Vernon Napper
Its:	Its:
Date: 3/29/17	Date:

By:_____

Roxanne Napper Its:

Date:_____

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EXHIBIT A LEGAL DESCRIPTION

SECTION 29 TWN 114 RANGE 18 29 114 18 AUDITORS SUBDIVISION NO 24 1 AUDITORS SUBDIVISION NO 24 2 AUDITORS SUBDIVISION NO 24 10 Case 17-31929 Doc 35 Filed 12/15/17 Entered 12/15/17 18:16:00 Desc Main Document Page 24 of 26

> United States Bankruptcy Court District of Minnesota

In re **EMPIRE RENTALS, LLC** Case No. **17-31929 KHS** Debtor(s) Chapter **11**

LIQUIDATION SUMMARY - EXHIBIT C

Description	Total Amount	Real Property	Personal Property
Total Property Value	3,221,151.00	3,175,000.00	46,151.00
Less:			
Schedule D. Secured Claims	1,784,651.81	1,784,651.81	0.00
Schedule C. Exemptions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest in Nonexempt Property	1,436,499.19	1,390,348.19	46,151.00
Less:			
Estimated Chapter 7 Admin Expenses	416,344.98		
Schedule E. Priority Claims	732.81		
Available to General Unsecured	1,369,421.40		
Total General Unsecured	42,336.44		
Percent Distribution	100%		
Details:			
Unsecured from Schedule D	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unsecured from Schedule E	0.06		
Unsecured from Schedule F	42,336.38		
Estimated Chapter 7 Administrative Expenses:			
11§326 Trustee Compensation on \$1,436,499.19	66,344.98		
Add'l Trustee Cost as 0% of §326 Fee	0.00		
Additional Admin Exp - Capital Gain Tax (est)	350,000.00		
Total Estimated Admin Expense	416,344.98		

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Oct 31, 17 ASSETS **Current Assets Checking/Savings** 1010 · Premier Bank -1603 6,516.37 6,516.37 **Total Checking/Savings** Accounts Receivable 1200 · Accounts Receivable -5,256.00 **Total Accounts Receivable** -5,256.00 **Total Current Assets** 1,260.37 Fixed Assets 1500 · Fixed Assets **Orginal cost** 1510 · Equipment 12,810.63 1520 · Improvements 2,778.00 1530 · Transportation equipment 12,453.00 1540 · 9 Unit Phase 1 929,764.00 1550 · Empire - Duplex 180,641.00 1560 · New Construction 640,529.00 **Total Orginal cost** 1,778,975.63 1570 · Accumulated depreciation -593,306.00 Total 1500 · Fixed Assets 1,185,669.63 **Total Fixed Assets** 1,185,669.63 **Other Assets** 1600 · LLC Setup 1610 · Amortization -530.00 1620 · Orginal Cost 798.00 Total 1600 · LLC Setup 268.00 **Total Other Assets** 268.00 1,187,198.00 **TOTAL ASSETS** LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities **Current Liabilities Accounts Payable** 2000 · Accounts Payable 3,868.34 **Total Accounts Payable** 3,868.34 3.868.34 **Total Current Liabilities** Long Term Liabilities 2500 · Relatives 20,500.00 2600 · Notes 2610 · Wells Fargo/ASC 137,696.31 2620 · Midcountry Bank #60754 1,243,950.78 1,381,647.09 Total 2600 · Notes 9,486.65 2900 · Rental Damage Deposits **Total Long Term Liabilities** 1,411,633.74 **Total Liabilities** 1,415,502.08 Equity 3100 · Owners Capital -253,338.33 -107,489.27 3300 · Draws Net Income 134,368.52 -226,459.08 **Total Equity TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY** 1,189,043.00

EXHIBIT D

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EXHIBIT E

Ordinary Income/Expense Income	249,000.00
Income	240.000.00
	40.000.00
4130 · Rental 41,500.00 41,500.00 41,500.00 41,500.00 41,500.00 41,500.00	49,000.00
Total Income 41,500.00 41,500.00 41,500.00 41,500.00 41,500.00 41,500.00	49,000.00
Expense	
6000 · Advertising 100.00 100.00 100.00 100.00 100.00 100.00	600.00
6005 - Owner 1 Draw 5,000.00 5,000.00 5,000.00 5,000.00 5,000.00 5,000.00	30,000.00
6005 - Owner 2 Draw 5,000.00 5,000.00 5,000.00 5,000.00 5,000.00 5,000.00	30,000.00
6010 · Contract Labor 1,250.00 1,250.00 1,250.00 1,250.00 1,250.00 1,250.00 1,250.00	7,500.00
6030 · Credit Card Fees 500.00 500.00 500.00 500.00 500.00 500.00	3,000.00
6070 · Maintenance	
6080 · Equipment Maintenance 75.00 75.00 75.00 75.00 75.00 75.00 75.00	450.00
6090 · Yard Maintenance 200.00 200.00 200.00 200.00 200.00 200.00	1,200.00
6110 · Automobile Expense	
6115 · fuel 450.00 450.00 450.00 450.00 450.00 450.00	2,700.00
6110 · Automobile Expense 150.00 150.00 150.00 150.00 150.00 150.00 150.00	900.00
6120 Bank Service Charges 60.00 60.00 60.00 60.00 60.00 60.00	360.00
6180 · Insurance	
6505 · Automobile 185.00 185.00 185.00 185.00 185.00 185.00 185.00	1,110.00
6515 · Officer Health Insurance 1,427.00 1,427.00 1,427.00 1,427.00 1,427.00 1,427.00 1,427.00	8,562.00
6530 · Liability Insurance 1,470.00 1,470.00 1,470.00 1,470.00 1,470.00 1,470.00	8,820.00
6240 · Miscellaneous 50.00 50.00 50.00 50.00 50.00 50.00	300.00
6241 - Wells Fargo Mortgage (Duplex) 1,193.55 1,193.55 1,193.55 1,193.55 1,193.55	7,161.30
6250 · Postage and Delivery 45.00 45.00 45.00 45.00 45.00 45.00 45.00	270.00
6270 · Professional Fees	
6280 · Legal Fees 2,000.00 2,000.00 1,000.00 500.00 250.00 250.00	6,250.00
6565 · Accounting 1,000.00 1,000.00 1,000.00 1,000.00 1,000.00 1,000.00	6,000.00
6300 · Repairs	
6310 · Building Repairs 500.00 500.00 500.00 500.00 500.00 500.00	3,000.00
6330 · Equipment Repairs 250.00 250.00 250.00 250.00 250.00 250.00 250.00	1,500.00
6340 · Telephone	
6345 · Communication 1,500.00 1,500.00 1,500.00 1,500.00 1,500.00 1,500.00 1,500.00	9,000.00
6340 · Telephone - Other 75.00 75.00 75.00 75.00 75.00 75.00 75.00	450.00
6390 · Utilities	
6400 · Gas and Electric 2,500.00 2,500.00 2,500.00 2,500.00 2,500.00 2,500.00 2,500.00	15,000.00
6390 · Utilities - Other 300.00 300.00 300.00 300.00 300.00 300.00	1,800.00
6580 · Supplies	
6585 · Cleaning 400.00 400.00 400.00 400.00 400.00 400.00	2,400.00
6590 · Furnishings 1,500.00 1,500.00 1,500.00 1,500.00 1,500.00 1,500.00	9,000.00
6600 · Office	
Office Supplies 150.00 150.00 150.00 150.00 150.00 150.00	900.00
6605 · Security 120.00 120.00 120.00 120.00 120.00 120.00 120.00	720.00
6610 · Taxes	
6640 · Property Taxes (Dakota) 3,000.00 3,000.00 3,000.00 3,000.00 3,000.00 3,000.00	18,000.00
6900 - US TRUSTEE FEE 0.00 0.00 650.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	650.00
6950 - MidCountry Bank 7,638.00 7,638.00 7,638.00 7,638.00 7,638.00 7,638.00 7,638.00	45,828.00
Total Expense 38,088.55 38,088.55 37,738.55 36,588.55 36,588.55 36,338.55	76,953.30
Net Ordinary Income 3,411.45 3,411.45 3,761.45 4,911.45 4,911.45 5,161.45	25,568.70
3,411.45 3,411.45 3,761.45 4,911.45 5,161.45	25,568.70

Net Income