UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

75-2379388 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1001 Louisiana Street, Suite 2900 Houston, Texas (Address of Principal Executive Offices

77002 (Zip Code)

Superior Energy Services, Inc. 2013 Stock Incentive Plan Superior Energy Services, Inc. 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (Full title of the plans)

William B. Masters
Executive Vice President and General Counsel
Superior Energy Services, Inc.
1001 Louisiana Street, Suite 2900
Houston, Texas 77002
(713) 654-2200

(Name, address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copy to:

Kelly C. Simoneaux Jones Walker LLP 201 St. Charles Avenue, Suite 5100 New Orleans, Louisiana 70170-5100

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of securities to be registered	Amount to be registered ⁽¹⁾	Proposed maximum offering price per unit	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price	Amount of registration fee
Common Stock (par value \$0.001 per share)				
2013 Stock Incentive Plan	8,000,000 shares	_	_	_
2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan	3,000,000 shares			_
Total Shares	11,000,000 shares	\$26.75(2)	\$294,250,000(2)	\$40,136

Upon a stock split, stock dividend, or similar transaction in the future during the effectiveness of this Registration Statement and involving our Common Stock, the number of shares registered shall be automatically increased to cover the additional securities in accordance with Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933.

Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rules 457(c) and (h) under the Securities Act of 1933, based on the average of the high and low price per share of our Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange on June 3, 2013.

PART I INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

Documents containing the information required by Part I of this Registration Statement will be sent or given to participants in the Superior Energy Services, Inc. 2013 Stock Incentive Plan and in the Superior Energy Services, Inc. 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan in accordance with Rule 428(b)(1) of the General Rules and Regulations under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"). In accordance with the Note to Part I of Form S-8, such documents are not filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") either as part of this Registration Statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements.

PART II INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents, which have been filed by Superior Energy Services, Inc. (the "Company" or the "Registrant") with the Commission, are incorporated herein by reference:

- (a) The Company's latest Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, filed pursuant to Section 13 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), on February 28, 2013;
- (b) All other reports filed by us pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act since the end of the fiscal year covered by the Annual Report referred to in (a); and
- (c) The description of the Company's Common Stock included in its Registration Statement on Form 8-A/A filed with the Commission on May 3, 2001 under the Exchange Act, including any amendment thereto or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents filed by us with the Commission pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14, and 15(d) of the Exchange Act subsequent to the date of this Registration Statement and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment that indicates that all securities offered have been sold or that deregisters all securities then remaining unsold shall, except to the extent otherwise provided by Regulation S-K or any other rule promulgated by the Commission, be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statements contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference shall be deemed to be modified or superseded to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other document subsequently filed or incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Our certificate of incorporation contains provisions eliminating the personal liability of our directors for monetary damages for breaches of their fiduciary duties as directors to the fullest extent permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law (the "DGCL"). By virtue of these provisions and under current Delaware law, a director of the Company will not be personally liable for monetary damages for a breach of his or her fiduciary duty except for liability for (a) a breach of his or her duty of loyalty to the Company or to its stockholders, (b) acts or omissions not in good faith or that involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (c) dividends or stock repurchases or redemptions that are unlawful under Delaware law and (d) any transaction from which he or she receives an improper personal benefit. In addition, our certificate of incorporation provides that if Delaware law is

amended to authorize the further elimination or limitation of the liability of a director, then the liability of the directors shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by Delaware law, as amended. These provisions pertain only to breaches of duty by directors as directors and not in any other corporate capacity, such as officers, and limit liability only for breaches of fiduciary duties under Delaware corporate law and not for violations of other laws such as the federal securities laws.

Our certificate of incorporation also requires us to indemnify our directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL against certain expenses and costs, judgments, settlements and fines incurred in the defense of any claim, including any claim brought by or in the right of the Company, to which they were made parties by reason of being or having been directors and officers.

Under Section 6 of our bylaws, we are required to defend and indemnify each person who is involved in any threatened or actual action, suit or proceeding by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director or officer of the Company, or by reason of the fact that such person was serving in a similar position with respect to another entity at our request to the fullest extent permitted by law. However, the director or officer is not entitled to indemnification if (i) the action was initiated by the director or officer and (ii) the action has not been authorized by our board of directors. The rights conferred by Section 6 of our bylaws are contractual rights and include the right to be paid expenses incurred in defending the action, suit or proceeding in advance of its final disposition.

In addition, we have entered into an indemnity agreement with each of our directors pursuant to which we have agreed under certain circumstances to purchase and maintain directors' and officers' liability insurance. The agreements also provide that we will indemnify the directors against any costs and expenses, judgments, settlements and fines incurred in connection with any claim involving them by reason of their position as a director that are in excess of the coverage provided by such insurance (provided that the director meets certain standards of conduct). Under the indemnity agreements, we are not required to purchase and maintain directors' and officers' liability insurance if our board of directors unanimously determines in good faith that there is insufficient benefit to us from the insurance.

The foregoing is only a general summary of (1) certain aspects of Delaware law, (2) the Company's certificate of incorporation and bylaws dealing with indemnification of directors and officers, and (3) the Company's indemnity agreement with each director, and does not purport to be complete. It is qualified in its entirety by reference to the detailed provisions of Sections 102 and 145 of the DGCL, the certificate of incorporation and bylaws of the Company, and the Company's form indemnity agreement with each director.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

- 5.1 Opinion of Jones Walker LLP.
- 23.1 Consent of KPMG LLP.
- 23.2 Consent of Netherland, Sewell & Associates, Inc.
- 23.3 Consent of DeGolyer and MacNaughton.
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- 24.1 Powers of Attorney (included in the signature pages of this Registration Statement).
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Item 9. Undertakings.

- (a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:
 - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
 - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective Registration Statement;
- (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this Registration Statement or any material change to such information in this Registration Statement;

Provided, *however*, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to section 13(a) or section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question of whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Houston, State of Texas, on June 6, 2013.

SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICE:	S, INC	
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By:	/S/ DAVID D. DUNLAP
	David D. Dunlap
	President and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints David D. Dunlap and Robert S. Taylor, or either one of them, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution, for him and in his name, place, and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Commission, granting unto such attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact and agent or his substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ David D. Dunlap David D. Dunlap	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	June 6, 2013
/s/ Robert S. Taylor Robert S. Taylor	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (Principal Financial Officer) (Principal Accounting Officer)	June 6, 2013
/s/ Terence E. Hall	Chairman of the Board and Director	June 6, 2013
Terence E. Hall		
/s/ Harold J. Bouillion Harold J. Bouillion	Director	June 6, 2013
/s/ Enoch L. Dawkins Enoch L. Dawkins	Director	June 6, 2013
/s/ James M. Funk James M. Funk	Director	June 6, 2013
/s/ Ernest E. Howard, III Ernest E. Howard, III	Director	June 6, 2013

Peter D. Kinnear	Director	June 6, 2013
/s/ Michael M. McShane Michael M. McShane	Director	June 6, 2013
/s/ W. Matt Ralls W. Matt Ralls	Director	June 6, 2013
/s/ Justin L. Sullivan	Director	June 6, 2013

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Exhibit Number

Description of Exhibits



June 6, 2013

Superior Energy Services, Inc. 11000 Equity Dr., Suite 300 Houston, Texas 77041

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Superior Energy Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the Company's registration statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to registration under the Securities Act of 1933 of an aggregate 11 million shares of Common Stock of the Company, \$0.001 par value per share (the "Common Stock"), with 8 million shares of Common Stock to be issued under the Superior Energy Services, Inc. 2013 Stock Incentive Plan and 3 million shares of Common Stock to be issued under the Superior Energy Services, Inc. 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (together, the "Plans").

We have examined instruments, documents, and records which we deemed relevant and necessary for the basis of our opinion hereinafter expressed. In such examination, we have assumed the following: (a) the authenticity of original documents and the genuineness of all signatures; (b) the conformity to the originals of all documents submitted to us as copies; and (c) the truth, accuracy, and completeness of the information, representations, and warranties contained in the records, documents, instruments, and certificates we have reviewed.

Based upon the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the shares of Common Stock to be issued by the Company pursuant to the Plans after the filing of this Registration Statement, are validly authorized shares of Common Stock and, when issued in accordance with the terms described in the applicable Plan, will be legally issued, fully paid, and non-assessable.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the use of our name wherever it appears in the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not consider that we are "experts" within the meaning of such term as used in the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission issued thereunder, with respect to any part of the Registration Statement, including this opinion as an exhibit or otherwise.

JONES WALKER LLP

/s/ Jones Walker LLP
Jones Walker LLP —
Alabama • Arizona • California • District of Columbia • Florida • Georgia • Louisiana • Mississippi • New York • Texas

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors
Superior Energy Services, Inc.:

We consent to the use of our reports with respect to the consolidated financial statements and financial statement schedule, and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, which reports appear in the December 31, 2012 annual report on Form 10-K of Superior Energy Services, Inc., incorporated by reference herein.

KPMG LLP

New Orleans, Louisiana June 6, 2013

Consent of Independent Petroleum Engineers and Geologists

As independent petroleum engineers, we hereby consent to the use of our name included or incorporated by reference to Superior Energy Services, Inc.'s Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the Registration Statement) and to the incorporation of our report of estimates of reserve and present value of future net reserves as of December 31, 2010 and 2011 into the Registration Statement.

NETHERLAND, SEWELL & ASSOCIATES, INC.

By: /s/ Danny D. Simmons

Danny D. Simmons, P.E.
President and Chief Operating Officer

Houston, Texas June 6, 2013 DeGOLYER AND MacNAUGHTON 5001 Spring Valley Road Suite 800 East Dallas, Texas 75244

June 6, 2013

Superior Energy Services, Inc. 1001 Louisiana Street, Suite 2900 Houston, Texas 77002

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We hereby consent to the reference to DeGolyer and MacNaughton and to the incorporation of the estimates contained in our "Appraisal Report as of December 31, 2010 on Certain Properties owned by Superior Energy Services, Inc." (our Report) in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the Registration Statement). We further consent to the incorporation of estimates contained in our "Appraisal Report as of December 31, 2010 on Certain Properties owned by SPN Resources, LLC prepared for Dynamic Offshore Resources, LLC" that are combined with estimates prepared by other petroleum consultants.

Very truly yours,

/s/ DeGolyer and MacNaughton

Texas Registered Engineering Firm F-716

SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES, INC. 2013 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

1. Purpose. The purpose of the 2013 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan") of Superior Energy Services, Inc. ("Superior") is to increase stockholder value and to advance the interests of Superior and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Company") by furnishing stock-based economic incentives (the "Incentives") designed to attract, retain, reward and motivate officers, directors, employees, consultants and advisors to the Company and to strengthen the mutuality of interests between service providers and Superior's stockholders. Incentives consist of opportunities to purchase or receive shares of Common Stock, \$.001 par value per share, of Superior (the "Common Stock") or cash valued in relation to Common Stock, on terms determined under the Plan. As used in the Plan, the term "subsidiary" means any corporation, limited liability company or other entity, of which Superior owns (directly or indirectly) within the meaning of section 424(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), 50% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock, membership interests or other equity interests issued thereby.

2. Administration.

- **2.1 Composition**. The Plan shall generally be administered by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Superior (the "<u>Board</u>") or by a subcommittee thereof (the "<u>Committee</u>"). The Committee shall consist of not fewer than two members of the Board, each of whom shall (a) qualify as a "non-employee director" under Rule 16b-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "<u>1934 Act</u>") or any successor rule, (b) qualify as an "outside director" under Section 162(m) of the Code ("Section 162(m)"), and (c) qualify as an "independent director" under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange.
- **2.2 Authority.** The Committee shall have plenary authority to award Incentives under the Plan, to interpret the Plan, to establish any rules or regulations relating to the Plan that it determines to be appropriate, to enter into agreements with or provide notices to participants as to the terms of the Incentives (the "Incentive Agreements") and to make any other determination that it believes necessary or advisable for the proper administration of the Plan. Its decisions in matters relating to the Plan shall be final and conclusive on the Company and participants. The Committee may delegate its authority hereunder to the extent provided in Section 3 hereof.
- **3. Eligible Participants.** Officers, directors and employees of the Company and persons providing services as consultants or advisors to the Company shall become eligible to receive Incentives under the Plan when designated by the Committee. Employees may be designated individually or by groups or categories, as the Committee deems appropriate. With respect to participants not subject to Section 16 of the 1934 Act or Section 162(m) of the Code, the Committee may delegate to appropriate officers of the Company its authority to designate participants, to determine the size and type of Incentives to be received by those participants and to set and modify the terms of such Incentives; provided, however, that the resolution so authorizing any such officer shall

specify the total number of Incentives such officer may award and such actions shall be treated for all purposes as if taken by the Committee, and provided further that the per share exercise price of any options granted by an officer, rather than by the Committee, shall be equal to the Fair Market Value (as defined in Section 12.11) of a share of Common Stock on the later of the date of grant or the date the participant's employment with or service to the Company commences.

4. Types of Incentives. Incentives may be granted under the Plan to eligible participants in the forms of (a) incentive stock options; (b) non-qualified stock options; (c) restricted stock, (d) restricted stock units; (e) stock appreciation rights ("SARs") and (f) Other Stock-Based Awards (as defined in Section 10).

5. Shares Subject to the Plan.

5.1 Number of Shares. Subject to adjustment as provided in Section 12.5, a total of 8,000,000 shares of Common Stock shall be authorized for grant under the Plan.

5.2 Share Counting.

- **A.** The above authorized Plan limit shall be reduced by one share of Common Stock for every one share of Common Stock subject to a stock option or a SAR granted under the Plan, and by 1.6 shares of Common Stock for every one share of Common Stock subject to Incentives granted under the Plan in a form other than stock options or SARs.
- **B.** To the extent any shares of Common Stock covered by a stock option or SAR granted under the Plan are not delivered to a participant or permitted transferee because the Incentive is forfeited or canceled, or shares of Common Stock are not delivered because an Incentive is paid or settled in cash, such shares shall not be deemed to have been delivered for purposes of determining the maximum number of shares of Common Stock available for delivery under this Plan and such shares may again be issued under the Plan.
- **C.** In the event that shares of Common Stock issued as an Incentive under the Plan are forfeited or reacquired by the Company pursuant to rights reserved upon issuance thereof, such forfeited or reacquired shares may again be issued under the Plan.
- **D.** If shares of Common Stock are delivered or withheld in payment of a stock option or delivered or withheld from payment of an Incentive to satisfy tax obligations with respect to the Incentive, such shares of Common Stock may not again be granted under the Plan. With respect to SARs, if the SAR is payable in shares of Common Stock, all shares to which the SARs relate are counted against the Plan limits, rather than the net number of shares delivered upon exercise of the SAR.
- **E.** Any share of Common Stock that again becomes available for grant under the Plan shall be added back to the total number of shares available for grant under the Plan as one share if such share was subject to a stock option or SAR, and as 1.6 shares if such share was subject to an Incentive other than a stock option or SAR.

- **5.3 Limitations on Awards.** Subject to adjustments as provided in Section 12.5, the following additional limitations are imposed under the Plan:
- **A.** The maximum number of shares of Common Stock that may be issued upon exercise of stock options intended to qualify as incentive stock options under Section 422 of the Code shall be 8,000,000 shares.
- **B.** Except as set forth in Section 5.3E. with respect to awards to non-management directors, the maximum number of shares of Common Stock that may be covered by Incentives granted under the Plan, including stock options and SARS, to any one individual during any one calendar-year period shall be 1,000,000 shares. The foregoing provision shall be construed in a manner consistent with Section 162(m).
- C. No more than 400,000 shares of Common Stock may be issued as restricted stock, restricted stock units and Other Stock-Based Awards (as defined in Section 10) without compliance with the minimum vesting periods provided in Sections 7.2, 8.2 and 10.2, provided that the shares issued under this limit may not be issued to employees who are subject to Section 16 of the 1934 Act. Further, all stock options and SARs granted to employees must comply with the minimum vesting periods provided in Sections 6.3 and 9.3.
- **D.** The maximum value of an Other Stock-Based Award that is valued in dollars (whether or not paid in Common Stock) scheduled to be paid out to any one participant in any fiscal year shall be \$10,000,000.
- **E.** The maximum number of shares of Common Stock that may be covered by Incentives granted under the Plan to a non-management director during any one calendar-year period shall be 50,000 shares.
 - **5.4 Type of Common Stock.** Common Stock issued under the Plan may be authorized and unissued shares or issued shares held as treasury shares.
- **6. Stock Options.** A stock option is a right to purchase shares of Common Stock from Superior. Stock options granted under the Plan may be incentive stock options (as such term is defined in Section 422 of the Code) or non-qualified stock options. Any option that is designated as a non-qualified stock option shall not be treated as an incentive stock option. Each stock option granted by the Committee under this Plan shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:
- **6.1 Price.** The exercise price per share shall be determined by the Committee, subject to adjustment under Section 12.5; provided that in no event shall the exercise price be less than the Fair Market Value (as defined in Section 12.11) of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant, except in the case of a stock option granted in assumption of or substitution for an outstanding award of a company acquired by the Company or with which the Company combines.

- **6.2 Number.** The number of shares of Common Stock subject to the option shall be determined by the Committee, subject to Section 5 and subject to adjustment as provided in Section 12.5.
- **6.3 Duration and Time for Exercise.** The term of each stock option shall be determined by the Committee, but shall not exceed a maximum term of ten years. Each stock option shall become exercisable at such time or times during its term as shall be determined by the Committee, provided that stock options granted to employees may not become fully exercisable prior to the third anniversary of the date of grant, with incremental vesting of portions of the award over the three-year period permitted. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may at any time in its discretion accelerate the exercisability of any stock option.
- **6.4 Repurchase.** Upon approval of the Committee, the Company may repurchase a previously granted stock option from a participant by mutual agreement before such option has been exercised by payment to the participant of the amount per share by which: (i) the Fair Market Value (as defined in Section 12.11) of the Common Stock subject to the option on the business day immediately preceding the date of purchase exceeds (ii) the exercise price, or by payment of such other mutually agreed upon amount; provided, however, that no such repurchase shall be permitted if prohibited by Section 6.6.
- **6.5 Manner of Exercise.** A stock option may be exercised, in whole or in part, by giving written notice to the Company, specifying the number of shares of Common Stock to be purchased. The exercise notice shall be accompanied by the full purchase price for such shares. The option price shall be payable in United States dollars and may be paid (a) in cash; (b) by check; (c) by delivery or attestation of ownership of shares of Common Stock, which shares shall be valued for this purpose at the Fair Market Value on the business day immediately preceding the date such option is exercised; (d) by delivery of irrevocable written instructions to a broker approved by the Company (with a copy to the Company) to immediately sell a portion of the shares, issuable under the option and to deliver promptly to the Company the amount of sale proceeds (or loan proceeds if the broker lends funds to the participant for delivery to the Company) to pay the exercise price; (e) if approved by the Committee, through a net exercise procedure whereby the optionee surrenders the option in exchange for that number of shares of Common Stock with an aggregate Fair Market Value equal to the difference between the aggregate exercise price of the options being surrendered and the aggregate Fair Market Value of the shares of Common Stock subject to the option, or (f) in such other manner as may be authorized from time to time by the Committee.
- **6.6 Repricing.** Except for adjustments pursuant to Section 12.5 or actions permitted to be taken by the Committee under Section 12.10C. in the event of a Change of Control, unless approved by the stockholders of the Company, (a) the exercise or base price for any outstanding option or SAR granted under this Plan may not be decreased after the date of grant and (b) an outstanding option or SAR that has been granted under this Plan may not, as of any date that such option or SAR has a per share exercise or base price that is greater than the then current Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock, be surrendered to the Company as consideration for the grant of a new option or SAR with a lower exercise or base price, shares of restricted stock, restricted stock units, an Other Stock-Based Award, a cash payment or Common Stock.

- **6.7 Incentive Stock Options.** Notwithstanding anything in the Plan to the contrary, the following additional provisions shall apply to the grant of stock options that are intended to qualify as incentive stock options (as such term is defined in Section 422 of the Code):
- **A.** Any incentive stock option agreement authorized under the Plan shall contain such other provisions as the Committee shall deem advisable, but shall in all events be consistent with and contain or be deemed to contain all provisions required in order to qualify the options as incentive stock options.
 - **B.** All incentive stock options must be granted within ten years from the date on which this Plan is adopted by the Board of Directors.
- **C.** No incentive stock options shall be granted to any non-employee or to any participant who, at the time such option is granted, would own (within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code) stock possessing more than 10% of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of the employer corporation or of its parent or subsidiary corporation.
- **D.** The aggregate Fair Market Value (determined with respect to each incentive stock option as of the time such incentive stock option is granted) of the Common Stock with respect to which incentive stock options are exercisable for the first time by a participant during any calendar year (under the Plan or any other plan of Superior or any of its subsidiaries) shall not exceed \$100,000. To the extent that such limitation is exceeded, the excess options shall be treated as non-qualified stock options for federal income tax purposes.

7. Restricted Stock.

- **7.1 Grant of Restricted Stock.** The Committee may award shares of restricted stock to such eligible participants as the Committee determines pursuant to the terms of Section 3. An award of restricted stock shall be subject to such restrictions on transfer and forfeitability provisions and such other terms and conditions, including the attainment of specified performance goals, as the Committee may determine, subject to the provisions of the Plan. To the extent restricted stock is intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m), it must be granted subject to the attainment of performance goals as described in Section 11 below and meet the additional requirements imposed by Section 162(m).
- **7.2 The Restricted Period.** At the time an award of restricted stock is made, the Committee shall establish a period of time during which the transfer of the shares of restricted stock shall be restricted and after which the shares of restricted stock shall be vested (the "Restricted Period"). Except for shares of restricted stock that vest based on the attainment of performance goals and shares of restricted stock issued to

directors, and except as provided in Section 5.3C., the Restricted Period shall be a minimum of three years, with incremental vesting of portions of the award over the three-year period permitted. If the vesting of the shares of restricted stock is based upon the attainment of performance goals, a minimum Restricted Period of one year is allowed, with incremental vesting of portions of the award over the one-year period permitted. Each award of restricted stock may have a different Restricted Period. The expiration of the Restricted Period shall also occur as provided under Section 12.3 in the event of termination of employment under the circumstances provided in the Incentive Agreement and in the event of a Change of Control of the Company if so provided in the Incentive Agreement.

7.3 Escrow. The participant receiving restricted stock shall enter into an Incentive Agreement with the Company setting forth the conditions of the grant. Any certificates representing shares of restricted stock shall be registered in the name of the participant and deposited with the Company, together with a stock power endorsed in blank by the participant. Each such certificate shall bear a legend in substantially the following form:

The transferability of this certificate and the shares of Common Stock represented by it are subject to the terms and conditions (including conditions of forfeiture) contained in the Superior Energy Services, Inc. 2013 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan"), and an agreement entered into between the registered owner and Superior Energy Services, Inc. thereunder. Copies of the Plan and the agreement are on file at the principal office of the Company.

Alternatively, in the discretion of the Company, ownership of the shares of restricted stock and the appropriate restrictions shall be reflected in the records of the Company's transfer agent and no physical certificates shall be issued.

- **7.4 Dividends on Restricted Stock.** Any and all cash and stock dividends paid with respect to the shares of restricted stock shall be subject to any restrictions on transfer, forfeitability provisions or reinvestment requirements as the Committee may, in its discretion, prescribe in the Incentive Agreement.
- **7.5 Forfeiture.** In the event of the forfeiture of any shares of restricted stock under the terms provided in the Incentive Agreement (including any additional shares of restricted stock that may result from the reinvestment of cash and stock dividends, if so provided in the Incentive Agreement), such forfeited shares shall be surrendered and any certificates cancelled. The participants shall have the same rights and privileges, and be subject to the same forfeiture provisions, with respect to any additional shares received pursuant to Section 12.5 due to a recapitalization or other change in capitalization.

- **7.6 Expiration of Restricted Period.** Upon the expiration or termination of the Restricted Period and the satisfaction of any other conditions prescribed by the Committee, the restrictions applicable to the restricted stock shall lapse and the number of shares of restricted stock with respect to which the restrictions have lapsed shall be delivered, free of all such restrictions and legends, except any that may be imposed by law, to the participant or the participant's estate, as the case may be.
- **7.7 Rights as a Stockholder.** Subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan and subject to any restrictions on the receipt of dividends that may be imposed in the Incentive Agreement, each participant receiving restricted stock shall have all the rights of a stockholder with respect to shares of stock during the Restricted Period, including without limitation, the right to vote any shares of Common Stock.

8. Restricted Stock Units.

- **8.1 Grant of Restricted Stock Units**. A restricted stock unit, or RSU, represents the right to receive from the Company on the respective scheduled vesting or payment date for such RSU, one share of Common Stock. An award of restricted stock units may be subject to the attainment of specified performance goals or targets, forfeitability provisions and such other terms and conditions as the Committee may determine, subject to the provisions of the Plan. To the extent an award of restricted stock units is intended to qualify as performance based compensation under Section 162(m), it must be granted subject to the attainment of performance goals as described in Section 11 and meet the additional requirements imposed by Section 162(m).
- **8.2 Vesting Period**. At the time an award of restricted stock units is made, the Committee shall establish a period of time during which the restricted stock units shall vest (the "<u>Vesting Period</u>"). Each award of restricted stock units may have a different Vesting Period. Except as provided in Section 5.3C., and except for restricted stock units granted to directors, a Vesting Period of at least three years is required, except that if vesting of the RSUs are subject to the attainment of specified performance goals, the Vesting Period may be one year or more. Incremental periodic vesting of portions of the award during the Vesting Period is permitted. The acceleration of the expiration of the Vesting Period shall occur as provided under Section 12.3 in the event of termination of employment under the circumstances provided in the Incentive Agreement and in the event of a Change of Control of the Company if so provided in the Incentive Agreement.
- **8.3 Dividend Equivalent Accounts.** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Plan and the applicable Incentive Agreement, as well as any procedures established by the Committee, the Committee may determine to pay dividend equivalent rights with respect to RSUs, in which case, unless determined by the Committee to be paid currently, the Company shall establish an account for the participant and reflect in that account any securities, cash or other property comprising any dividend or property distribution with respect to the share of Common Stock underlying each RSU. The participant shall have no rights to the amounts or other property credited to such account until the applicable RSU vests.
- **8.4 Rights as a Stockholder**. Subject to the restrictions imposed under the terms and conditions of this Plan and subject to any other restrictions that may be imposed in the Incentive Agreement, each participant receiving restricted stock units shall have no rights as a stockholder with respect to such restricted stock units until such time as shares of Common Stock are issued to the participant.

9. Stock Appreciation Rights.

- **9.1 Grant of Stock Appreciation Rights.** A stock appreciation right, or SAR, is a right to receive, without payment to the Company, a number of shares of Common Stock, cash or any combination thereof, the number or amount of which is determined pursuant to the formula set forth in Section 9.5. Each SAR granted by the Committee under the Plan shall be subject to the terms and conditions provided herein.
- **9.2 Number**. Each SAR granted to any participant shall relate to such number of shares of Common Stock as shall be determined by the Committee, subject to adjustment as provided in Section 12.5.
- **9.3 Duration and Time for Exercise.** The term of each SAR shall be determined by the Committee, but shall not exceed a maximum term of ten years. Each SAR shall become exercisable at such time or times during its term as shall be determined by the Committee, provided that SARs granted to employees may not become fully exercisable prior to the third anniversary of the date of grant, with incremental vesting of portions of the award over the three-year period permitted. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may at any time in its discretion accelerate the exercisability of any SAR.
- **9.4** Exercise. A SAR may be exercised, in whole or in part, by giving written notice to the Company, specifying the number of SARs that the holder wishes to exercise. The date that the Company receives such written notice shall be referred to herein as the "Exercise Date." The Company shall, within 30 days of an Exercise Date, deliver to the exercising holder the shares of Common Stock to which the holder is entitled pursuant to Section 9.5 or cash or both, as provided in the Incentive Agreement.
- **9.5 Payment**. The number of shares of Common Stock which shall be issuable upon the exercise of a SAR payable in Common Stock shall be determined by dividing:
- **A.** the number of shares of Common Stock as to which the SAR is exercised, multiplied by the amount of the appreciation in each such share (for this purpose, the "appreciation" shall be the amount by which the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock subject to the SAR on the Exercise Date exceeds the "Base Price," which is an amount, not less than the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant, which shall be determined by the Committee at the time of grant, subject to adjustment under Section 12.5); by

B. the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the Exercise Date.

No fractional shares of Common Stock shall be issued upon the exercise of a SAR; instead, the holder of a SAR shall be entitled to purchase the portion necessary to make a whole share at its Fair Market Value on the Exercise Date.

10. Other Stock-Based Awards.

10.1 Grant of Other Stock-Based Awards. Subject to the limitations described in Section 10.2 hereof, the Committee may grant to eligible participants "Other Stock-Based Awards," which shall consist of awards (other than options, restricted stock, restricted stock units or SARs described in Sections 6 through 9 hereof) paid out in shares of Common Stock or the value of which is based in whole or in part on the value of shares of Common Stock. Other Stock-Based Awards may be awards of shares of Common Stock, awards of phantom stock or may be denominated or payable in, valued in whole or in part by reference to, or otherwise based on or related to, shares of, or appreciation in the value of, Common Stock (including, without limitation, securities convertible or exchangeable into or exercisable for shares of Common Stock), as deemed by the Committee consistent with the purposes of this Plan. The Committee shall determine the terms and conditions of any Other Stock-Based Award (including which rights of a stockholder, if any, the recipient shall have with respect to Common Stock associated with any such award) and may provide that such award is payable in whole or in part in cash. An Other Stock-Based Award may be subject to the attainment of such specified performance goals or targets as the Committee may determine, subject to the provisions of this Plan. To the extent that an Other Stock-Based Award is intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m), it must be granted subject to the attainment of performance goals as described in Section 11 below and meet the additional requirements imposed by Section 162(m).

10.2 Limitations. Except as permitted in Section 5.3C., and except for Other Stock-Based Awards granted to directors, Other Stock-Based Awards granted under this Section 10 shall be subject to a vesting period of at least three years, with incremental vesting of portions of the award over the three-year period permitted; provided, however, that if the vesting of the award is based upon the attainment of performance goals, a minimum vesting period of one year is allowed, with incremental vesting of portions of the award over the one-year period permitted.

11. Performance Goals for Section 162(m) Awards. To the extent that shares of restricted stock, restricted stock units or Other Stock-Based Awards granted under the Plan are intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m), the vesting, grant or payment of such awards shall be conditioned on the achievement of one or more performance goals and must satisfy the other requirements of Section 162(m). The performance goals pursuant to which such awards shall vest, be granted or be paid out shall be any or a combination of the following performance measures applied to the Company, Superior, a division or a subsidiary: earnings per share; earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA); operating income; return on assets; an economic value added measure; stockholder return; earnings; stock price; return on equity; return on total capital; return on invested capital; pre-tax income; safety performance; reduction

of expenses; or increase in cash flow. For any performance period, such performance objectives may be measured on an absolute basis or relative to a group of peer companies selected by the Committee, relative to internal goals or relative to levels attained in prior years. The performance goals may be subject to such adjustments as are specified in advance by the Committee.

12. General.

- **12.1 Duration.** No Incentives may be granted under the Plan after June 6, 2023; provided, however, that subject to Section 12.9, the Plan shall remain in effect after such date with respect to Incentives granted prior to that date until all such Incentives have either been satisfied by the issuance of shares of Common Stock or otherwise been terminated under the terms of the Plan and all restrictions imposed on shares of Common Stock in connection with their issuance under the Plan have lapsed.
- 12.2 Transferability. No Incentives granted hereunder may be transferred, pledged, assigned or otherwise encumbered by a participant except:
 (a) by will; (b) by the laws of descent and distribution; (c) if permitted by the Committee and so provided in the Incentive Agreement or an amendment thereto, pursuant to a domestic relations order, as defined in the Code; or (d) as to options only, if permitted by the Committee and so provided in the Incentive Agreement or an amendment thereto, (i) to Immediate Family Members, (ii) to a partnership in which the participant and/or Immediate Family Members are the sole owners, members or beneficiaries, as appropriate, are the sole partners, (iii) to a limited liability company in which the participant and/or Immediate Family Members are the sole owners, members or beneficiaries, as appropriate, are the sole members, or (iv) to a trust for the sole benefit of the participant and/or Immediate Family Members.

 "Immediate Family Members" shall be defined as the spouse and natural or adopted children or grandchildren of the participant and their spouses. To the extent that an incentive stock option is permitted to be transferred during the lifetime of the participant, it shall be treated thereafter as a nonqualified stock option. Any attempted assignment, transfer, pledge, hypothecation or other disposition of Incentives, or levy of attachment or similar process upon Incentives not specifically permitted herein, shall be null and void and without effect.
- 12.3 Effect of Termination of Employment or Death. In the event that a participant ceases to be an employee of the Company or to provide services to the Company for any reason, including death, disability, early retirement or normal retirement, any Incentives may be exercised, shall vest or shall expire at such times as may be determined by the Committee and provided in the Incentive Agreement.
- **12.4 Additional Conditions.** Anything in this Plan to the contrary notwithstanding: (a) the Company may, if it shall determine it necessary or desirable for any reason, at the time of award of any Incentive or the issuance of any shares of Common Stock pursuant to any Incentive, require the recipient of the Incentive, as a condition to the receipt thereof or to the receipt of shares of Common Stock issued

pursuant thereto, to deliver to the Company a written representation of present intention to acquire the Incentive or the shares of Common Stock issued pursuant thereto for his own account for investment and not for distribution; and (b) if at any time the Company further determines, in its sole discretion, that the listing, registration or qualification (or any updating of any such document) of any Incentive or the shares of Common Stock issuable pursuant thereto is necessary on any securities exchange or under any federal or state securities or blue sky law, or that the consent or approval of any governmental regulatory body is necessary or desirable as a condition of, or in connection with the award of any Incentive, the issuance of shares of Common Stock pursuant thereto, or the removal of any restrictions imposed on such shares, such Incentive shall not be awarded or such shares of Common Stock shall not be issued or such restrictions shall not be removed, as the case may be, in whole or in part, unless such listing, registration, qualification, consent or approval shall have been effected or obtained free of any conditions not acceptable to the Company.

12.5 Adjustment. In the event of any recapitalization, reclassification, stock dividend, stock split, combination of shares or other similar change in the Common Stock, the number of shares of Common Stock then subject to the Plan, including shares subject to outstanding Incentives, and any and all other limitations provided in the Plan limiting the number of shares of Common Stock that may be issued hereunder shall be adjusted in proportion to the change in outstanding shares of Common Stock (including but not limited to adjustments of the authorized Plan and award limits set forth in Section 5 and of the manner and ratio by which Incentives other than stock options and SARs are counted under the Plan). In the event of any such adjustments, the exercise price of any option, the Base Price of any SAR and the performance objectives of any Incentive, shall also be adjusted as and to the extent appropriate, in the reasonable discretion of the Committee, to provide participants with the same relative rights before and after such adjustment. No substitution or adjustment shall require the Company to issue a fractional share under the Plan and the substitution or adjustment shall be limited by deleting any fractional share.

12.6 Withholding.

- **A.** The Company shall have the right to withhold from any payments made or stock issued under the Plan or to collect as a condition of payment, issuance or vesting, any taxes required by law to be withheld. At any time that a participant is required to pay to the Company an amount required to be withheld under applicable income tax laws in connection with an Incentive, the participant may, subject to disapproval by the Committee, satisfy this obligation in whole or in part by electing (the "Election") to deliver currently owned shares of Common Stock or to have the Company withhold shares of Common Stock, in each case having a value equal to the minimum statutory amount required to be withheld under federal, state and local law. The value of the shares to be delivered or withheld shall be based on the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock on the date that the amount of tax to be withheld shall be determined ("Tax Date").
- **B.** Each Election must be made prior to the Tax Date. The Committee may disapprove of any Election, may suspend or terminate the right to make Elections, or may provide with respect to any Incentive that the right to make Elections shall not apply to such Incentive. If a participant makes an election under Section 83(b) of the Code with respect to shares of restricted stock, an Election to have shares withheld to satisfy withholding taxes is not permitted to be made.
- **12.7 No Continued Employment.** No participant under the Plan shall have any right, because of his or her participation, to continue in the employ of the Company for any period of time or to any right to continue his or her present or any other rate of compensation.
- **12.8 Deferral Permitted.** Payment of an Incentive may be deferred at the option of the participant if permitted in the Incentive Agreement. Any deferral arrangement shall comply with Section 409A of the Code.
- **12.9 Amendments to or Termination of the Plan.** The Board may amend or discontinue this Plan at any time; provided, however, that no such amendment may:
- **A.** materially revise the Plan without the approval of the stockholders. A material revision of the Plan includes (i) except for adjustments permitted herein, a material increase to the maximum number of shares of Common Stock that may be issued through the Plan, (ii) a material increase to the benefits accruing to participants under the Plan, (iii) a material expansion of the classes of persons eligible to participate in the Plan, (iv) an expansion of the types of awards available for grant under the Plan, (v) a material extension of the term of the Plan and (vi) a material change that reduces the price at which shares of Common Stock may be offered through the Plan;
 - **B.** amend Section 6.6 to permit repricing of options or SARs without the approval of stockholders; or

C. materially impair, without the consent of the recipient, an Incentive previously granted, except that the Company retains all of its rights under Section 12.10.

12.10 Change of Control.

- **A.** Unless a different definition is provided in the Incentive Agreement, a "Change of Control" shall mean:
- (i) the acquisition by any person of beneficial ownership of 50% or more of the outstanding shares of the Common Stock or 50% or more of the combined voting power of Superior's then outstanding securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors; provided, however, that for purposes of this subsection (i), the following acquisitions shall not constitute a Change of Control:
- (a) any acquisition (other than a Business Combination (as defined below) which constitutes a Change of Control under Section 12.10A.(iii) hereof) of Common Stock directly from the Company,
 - (b) any acquisition of Common Stock by the Company,
- (c) any acquisition of Common Stock by any employee benefit plan (or related trust) sponsored or maintained by the Company or any corporation controlled by the Company, or
- (d) any acquisition of Common Stock by any corporation or other entity pursuant to a Business Combination that does not constitute a Change of Control under Section 12.10A.(iii) hereof; or
- (ii) individuals who, as of January 1, 2013, constituted the Board of Directors of Superior (the "Incumbent Board") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the Board of Directors; provided, however, that any individual becoming a director subsequent to such date whose election, or nomination for election by Superior's stockholders, was approved by a vote of at least two-thirds of the directors then comprising the Incumbent Board shall be considered a member of the Incumbent Board, unless such individual's initial assumption of office occurs as a result of an actual or threatened election contest with respect to the election or removal of directors or other actual or threatened solicitation of proxies or consents by or on behalf of a person other than the Incumbent Board; or
- (iii) consummation of a reorganization, share exchange, merger or consolidation (including any such transaction involving any direct or indirect subsidiary of Superior) or sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company (a "Business Combination"); provided, however, that in no such case shall any such transaction constitute a Change of Control if immediately following such Business Combination:

(a) the individuals and entities who were the beneficial owners of Superior's outstanding Common Stock and Superior's voting securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors immediately prior to such Business Combination have direct or indirect beneficial ownership, respectively, of more than 50% of the then outstanding shares of common stock, and more than 50% of the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors of the surviving or successor corporation, or, if applicable, the ultimate parent company thereof (the "Post-Transaction Corporation"), and

(b) except to the extent that such ownership existed prior to the Business Combination, no person (excluding the Post-Transaction Corporation and any employee benefit plan or related trust of either Superior, the Post-Transaction Corporation or any subsidiary of either corporation) beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, 25% or more of the then outstanding shares of common stock of the corporation resulting from such Business Combination or 25% or more of the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities of such corporation, and

(c) at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of the Post-Transaction Corporation were members of the Incumbent Board at the time of the execution of the initial agreement, or of the action of the Board of Directors, providing for such Business Combination; or

(iv) approval by the stockholders of Superior of a complete liquidation or dissolution of Superior.

For purposes of this Section 12.10, the term "person" shall mean a natural person or entity, and shall also mean the group or syndicate created when two or more persons act as a syndicate or other group (including, without limitation, a partnership or limited partnership) for the purpose of acquiring, holding, or disposing of a security, except that "person" shall not include an underwriter temporarily holding a security pursuant to an offering of the security.

B. Upon a Change of Control of the type described in clause A.(i) or A.(ii) of this Section 12.10 or immediately prior to any Change of Control of the type described in clause A.(iii) or A.(iv) of this Section 12.10, and if determined by the Committee and so provided in the Incentive Agreement, all outstanding Incentives granted pursuant to this Plan shall automatically become fully vested and exercisable, all restrictions or limitations on any Incentives shall automatically lapse and, unless otherwise provided in the applicable Incentive Agreement, all performance criteria and other conditions relating to the payment of Incentives shall be deemed to be achieved at the target level without the necessity of action by any person. As used in the immediately preceding sentence, 'immediately prior' to the Change of Control shall mean sufficiently in advance of the Change of Control to permit the grantee to take all steps reasonably necessary (i) if an optionee, to exercise any such option fully and (ii) to deal with the shares purchased or acquired under any such option or other Incentive and any formerly restricted shares on which restrictions have lapsed so that all types of shares may be treated in the same manner in connection with the Change of Control as the shares of Common Stock of other stockholders.

C. No later than 30 days after a Change of Control of the type described in subsections A.(ii) or A.(ii) of this Section 12.10 and no later than 30 days after the approval by the Board of a Change of Control of the type described in subsections A.(iii) or A.(iv) of this Section 12.10, the Committee, acting in its sole discretion without the consent or approval of any participant (and notwithstanding any removal or attempted removal of some or all of the members thereof as directors or Committee members), may act to effect one or more of the alternatives listed below, which may vary among individual participants and which may vary among Incentives held by any individual participant:

(i) require that all outstanding options, SARs or Other Stock-Based Awards be exercised on or before a specified date (before or after such Change of Control) fixed by the Committee, after which specified date all unexercised options and Other Stock-Based Awards and all rights of participants thereunder shall terminate,

(ii) make such equitable adjustments to Incentives then outstanding as the Committee deems appropriate to reflect such Change of Control (provided, however, that the Committee may determine in its sole discretion that no adjustment is necessary),

(iii) provide for mandatory conversion of some or all of the outstanding options, SARs, restricted stock units, or Other Stock-Based Awards held by some or all participants as of a date, before or after such Change of Control, specified by the Committee, in which event such options and Other Stock-Based Awards shall be deemed automatically cancelled and the Company shall pay, or cause to be paid, to each such participant an amount of cash per share equal to the excess, if any, of the Change of Control Value of the shares subject to such option, SAR, restricted stock unit or Other Stock-Based Award, as defined and calculated below, over the exercise price of such options or the exercise or base price of such SARs, restricted stock units or Other Stock-Based Awards or, in lieu of such cash payment, the issuance of Common Stock or securities of an acquiring entity having a Fair Market Value equal to such excess; provided, however, that no such mandatory conversion shall occur if it would result in the imposition of a penalty on the participant under Section 409A of the Code as a result of such cash payment or issuance of securities, or

(iv) provide that thereafter, upon any exercise or payment of an Incentive that entitles the holder to receive Common Stock, the holder shall be entitled to purchase or receive under such Incentive in lieu of the number of shares of Common Stock then covered by Incentive, the number and class of shares of stock or other securities or property (including, without limitation, cash) to which the holder would have been entitled pursuant to the terms of the agreement providing for the reorganization, share exchange, merger, consolidation or asset sale, if, immediately prior to such Change of Control, the holder had been the record owner of the number of shares of Common Stock then covered by such Incentive.

- **D.** For the purposes of paragraph (iii) of Section 12.10C., the "Change of Control Value" shall equal the amount determined by whichever of the following items is applicable:
 - (i) the per share price to be paid to stockholders of Superior in any such merger, consolidation or other reorganization,
 - (ii) the price per share offered to stockholders of Superior in any tender offer or exchange offer whereby a Change of Control takes

place,

- (iii) in all other events, the Fair Market Value per share of Common Stock into which such options being converted are exercisable, as determined by the Committee as of the date determined by the Committee to be the date of conversion of such options, or
- (iv) in the event that the consideration offered to stockholders of Superior in any transaction described in this Section 12.10 consists of anything other than cash, the Committee shall determine the fair cash equivalent of the portion of the consideration offered that is other than cash.
- 12.11 Definition of Fair Market Value. Whenever "Fair Market Value" of Common Stock shall be determined for purposes of this Plan, except so provided below in connection with a cashless exercise through a broker, it shall be determined as follows: (i) if the Common Stock is listed on an established stock exchange or any automated quotation system that provides sale quotations, the closing sale price for a share of the Common Stock on such exchange or quotation system on the applicable date, or if no sale of the Common Stock shall have been made on that day, on the next preceding day on which there was a sale of the Common Stock; (ii) if the Common Stock is not listed on any exchange or quotation system, but bid and asked prices are quoted and published, the mean between the quoted bid and asked prices on the applicable date, and if bid and asked prices are not available on such day, on the next preceding day on which such prices were available; and (iii) if the Common Stock is not regularly quoted, the fair market value of a share of Common Stock on the applicable date as established by the Committee in good faith. In the context of a cashless exercise through a broker, the "Fair Market Value" shall be the price at which the Common Stock subject to the stock option is actually sold in the market to pay the option exercise price.
- 12.12 Recovery Policy. Each Incentive Agreement shall contain a provision permitting the Company to recover any Incentive granted under the Plan if (i) the Company's financial statements are required to be restated at any time within the three-year period following the final payout of the Incentive and the participant is determined to be responsible, in whole or in part, for the restatement, or (ii) the Incentive is subject to any clawback policies the Company may adopt in order to conform to the requirements of Section 954 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and any resulting rules issued by the SEC or national securities exchanges thereunder. All determinations regarding the applicability of these provisions shall be in the discretion of the Committee.

12.13 No Trust or Fund Created. Neither the Plan nor any Incentive shall create or be construed to create a trust or separate fund of any kind or a fiduciary relationship between the Company and a participant or any other person. To the extent that any person acquires a right to receive payments from the Company pursuant to an Incentive, such right shall be no greater than the right of any unsecured general creditor of the Company.

12.14 Participants Outside the United States. Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary, in order to comply with the laws in other countries in which the Company operates or has employees, consultants or advisors, the Committee, in its sole discretion, shall have the power and authority to (a) determine which persons employed outside the United States are eligible to participate in the Plan; (b) amend or vary the terms and provisions of the Plan and the terms and conditions of any Incentive granted to persons who reside outside the United States; (c) establish subplans and modify exercise procedures and other terms and procedures to the extent such actions may be necessary or advisable; and (d) take any action, before or after an Incentive is granted, that it deems advisable to obtain or comply with any necessary local government regulatory exemptions or approvals.

SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES, INC.

2013 EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN

1. Purpose; Structure of Plan.

- (a) The purpose of the Plan is to provide Eligible Employees of the Company, its Subsidiaries and Affiliates with an opportunity to purchase common stock of the Company, thereby allowing such persons the opportunity to acquire an equity interest in the Company and enhance their sense of participation in the affairs of the Company. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in Section 2 of the Plan.
- (b) This Plan includes two components: a Code Section 423 Component (the "423 Component") and a non-Code Section 423 Component (the "Non-423 Component"). It is the intention of the Company to have the 423 Component qualify as an "employee stock purchase plan" under Section 423 of the Code. The provisions of the 423 Component, accordingly, shall be construed so as to extend and limit participation in a uniform and nondiscriminatory basis consistent with the requirements of Section 423 of the Code. In addition, this Plan authorizes the grant of purchase rights under the Non-423 Component that does not qualify as an "employee stock purchase plan" under Section 423 of the Code; such purchase rights shall be granted pursuant to rules, procedures or subplans adopted by the Administrator designed to achieve tax, securities laws or other objectives for Eligible Employees, the Company, its Subsidiaries and Affiliates. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Non-423 Component will operate and be administered in the same manner as the 423 Component.

2. **Definitions**.

- (a) "Administrator" means the Board, the Committee or one or more of the Company's officers appointed by the Board or Committee to administer the day-to-day operations of the Plan.
- (b) "Affiliate" means (i) any entity that, directly or indirectly, is controlled by, controls or is under common control with, the Company and (ii) any entity in which the Company has a significant equity interest, in either case as determined by the Administrator, whether now or hereafter existing.
 - (c) "Board" means the board of directors of the Company.

(d) "Change of Control" means:

(i) the acquisition by any person of beneficial ownership of 50% or more of the outstanding common stock or 50% or more of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors; provided, however, that for purposes of this subsection (i), the following acquisitions shall not constitute a Change of Control:

- (1) any acquisition (other than a Business Combination (as defined below) which constitutes a Change of Control under Section 2(d) (iii) hereof) of common stock directly from the Company;
 - (2) any acquisition of common stock by the Company;
 - (3) any acquisition of common stock by any employee benefit plan (or related trust) sponsored or maintained by the Company or any

Affiliate; or

- (4) any acquisition of common stock by any corporation or other entity pursuant to a Business Combination that does not constitute a Change of Control under Section 2(d)(iii) hereof; or
- (ii) individuals who, as of March 1, 2013, constituted the Board (the "Incumbent Board") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the Board; provided, however, that any individual becoming a director subsequent to such date whose election, or nomination for election by the Company's stockholders, was approved by a vote of at least two-thirds of the directors then comprising the Incumbent Board shall be considered a member of the Incumbent Board, unless such individual's initial assumption of office occurs as a result of an actual or threatened election contest with respect to the election or removal of directors or other actual or threatened solicitation of proxies or consents by or on behalf of a person other than the Incumbent Board; or
- (iii) consummation of a reorganization, share exchange, merger or consolidation (including any such transaction involving any Affiliate) or sale or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company (a "Business Combination"); provided, however, that in no such case shall any such transaction constitute a Change of Control if immediately following such Business Combination:
- (1) the individuals and entities who were the beneficial owners of the Company's outstanding common stock and the Company's voting securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors immediately prior to such Business Combination have direct or indirect beneficial ownership, respectively, of more than 50% of the then outstanding shares of common stock, and more than 50% of the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors of the surviving or successor corporation, or, if applicable, the ultimate parent company thereof (the "Post-Transaction Corporation"), and
- (2) except to the extent that such ownership existed prior to the Business Combination, no person (excluding the Post-Transaction Corporation and any employee benefit plan or related trust of either the Company, the Post-Transaction Corporation or any subsidiary of either corporation) beneficially owns, directly or indirectly, 25% or more of the then outstanding shares of common stock of the corporation resulting from such Business Combination or 25% or more of the combined voting power of the then outstanding voting securities of such corporation, and

- (3) at least a majority of the members of the board of directors of the Post-Transaction Corporation were members of the Incumbent Board at the time of the execution of the initial agreement, or of the action of the Board, providing for such Business Combination; or
 - (iv) approval by the stockholders of the Company of a complete liquidation or dissolution of the Company.

For purposes of this Section 2(d), the term "person" shall mean a natural person or entity, and shall also mean the group or syndicate created when two or more persons act as a syndicate or other group (including, without limitation, a partnership or limited partnership) for the purpose of acquiring, holding or disposing of a security, except that "person" shall not include an underwriter temporarily holding a security pursuant to an offering of the security.

- (e) "Code" means the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time, or any successor statute thereto, and the regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (f) "Committee" means the compensation committee of the Board, or such other committee of the Board as may be designated by the Board to administer the Plan.
 - (g) "Company" means Superior Energy Services, Inc., a Delaware corporation.
- (h) "<u>Compensation</u>" means regular straight-time earnings or base salary, including payments for overtime, shift differentials, incentive compensation, bonuses, geographical coefficients and other special payments, fees, allowances or other extraordinary compensation (but excluding long-term disability or workers compensation payments and similar amounts), unless otherwise determined by the Administrator on a uniform and nondiscriminatory basis. The Administrator shall have the discretion to determine the application of this definition to Participants outside the United States.
- (i) "Continuous Status" means continuous service of an individual as an Eligible Employee of the Company or a Designated Company without any interruption or termination of service as an Eligible Employee. Continuous Status shall not be considered interrupted in the case of (i) sick leave or military leave authorized under the Company's policies; (ii) any other bona fide leave of absence approved by the Company or a Designated Company, provided that such leave is for a period of not more than 90 days, unless reemployment upon the expiration of any such longer leave is guaranteed by contract, statute, or any Company policy adopted from time to time; or (iii) transfers between the Company and its Designated Companies.
- (j) "<u>Designated Company</u>" means any Subsidiary or Affiliate selected by the Administrator as eligible to participate in the Plan, provided, however, that an Affiliate which does not qualify as a Subsidiary may be designated only to participate in the Non-423 Component.
 - (k) "Director" means a member of the Board.
 - (1) "Effective Date" means the date the Plan becomes effective in accordance with Section 24 hereof.

- (m) "Eligible Employee" means any individual who is treated as an employee in the records of the Company or any Designated Company, in each case regardless of any subsequent reclassification by the Company or by any Designated Company, any governmental agency, or any court.
- (n) "Exchange Act" means the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time, or any successor law thereto, and the regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (o) "<u>Fair Market Value</u>" means the closing price for a Share on the New York Stock Exchange (or if the Shares are not then listed on such exchange, such other national securities exchange on which the Shares are then listed) on the date of determination or, if such date is not a Trading Day, on the last Trading Day prior to the date of determination, as reported in *The Wall Street Journal* or such other source as the Administrator deems reliable.
- (p) "<u>Offering</u>" means an offer under the Plan of a purchase right that may be exercised during an Offering Period. For purposes of this Plan, the Administrator may designate separate Offerings under the Plan (the terms of which need not be identical) in which Eligible Employees of the Company or one or more Designated Companies will participate, even if the dates of the applicable Offering Periods of each such Offering are identical.
 - (q) "Offering Date" means the first day of each Offering Period.
 - (r) "Offering Period" means the period set forth in Section 4(a) hereof.
 - (s) "Parent" means a "parent corporation" of the Company whether now or hereinafter existing as defined in Section 424(e) of the Code.
 - (t) "Participant" means any Eligible Employee who participates in the Plan as described in Section 5 hereof.
- (u) "Participation Election" means any written agreement, enrollment form, contract or other instrument or document (in each case in paper or electronic form) evidencing that an Eligible Employee has elected to become a Participant in the Plan.
 - (v) "Plan" means this Superior Energy Services, Inc. 2013 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, including both the 423 and Non-423 Components.
- (w) "Purchase Date" means the last day of each Offering Period (or, if such day is not a Trading Day, the Trading Day immediately preceding such day).
- (x) "Purchase Price" means a per-Share amount, equal to eighty five percent (85%) of the lesser of (i) the Fair Market Value of a Share on the Offering Date for the relevant Offering Period, or (ii) the Fair Market Value of a Share on the applicable Purchase Date.
- (y) "Share" means a share of common stock of the Company, or such other security of the Company into which such share shall be changed in accordance with Section 16 hereof.

- (z) "Subsidiary" means a "subsidiary corporation" of the Company whether now or hereafter existing, as defined in Section 424(f) of the Code.
- (aa) "Trading Day" means a day on which the principal national stock exchange on which the Shares are listed is open for trading.

3. Eligibility.

- (a) Unless otherwise provided in this Section 3 and subject to Section 5 below, all Eligible Employees shall be eligible to participate in the Plan .
- (b) The Administrator, in its discretion, from time to time may, prior to an Offering Date for a particular Offering and for all purchase rights to be granted on such Offering Date under such Offering, determine that Eligible Employees who customarily work twenty (20) hours or less per week or not more than five (5) months in any calendar year (or, in each case, such lesser period of time as may be determined by the Administrator in its discretion) shall not be included in the Offering.
- (c) Notwithstanding any provisions of the Plan to the contrary, no Eligible Employee shall be granted a purchase right to the extent that immediately after the grant such Eligible Employee (or any other person whose stock would be attributed to such Eligible Employee pursuant to Section 424(d) of the Code) would own stock of the Company and/or hold outstanding purchase rights to purchase stock possessing five percent (5%) or more of the total combined voting power or value of all classes of the stock of the Company or of any Subsidiary.
- 4. Offering Periods. The Plan shall be implemented by a series of Offering Periods of approximately six (6) months duration during which time a purchase right under the Plan may be offered to Eligible Employees. The first Offering Period shall commence on July 1, 2013, or on such other date as the Administrator shall determine. Subsequently, Offering Periods shall begin on January 1 and July 1 of each year and end on June 30 and December 31, respectively. The duration and timing of Offering Periods may be changed without stockholder approval; provided, however, that in no event shall an Offering Period exceed 27 months and, provided, further, that any such change is announced to Eligible Employees prior to the beginning of the first Offering Period to be affected.
- 5. <u>Participation</u>. An Eligible Employee may become a Participant in the Plan by completing, within any prescribed enrollment period prior to the applicable Offering Date, a Participation Election (either through the Company's online Plan enrollment process or in paper form) and/or any other forms and following any procedures for enrollment in the Plan as may be established by the Administrator from time to time. An employee who becomes an Eligible Employee during an Offering Period or prior to an Offering Period but after expiration of any prescribed enrollment period for such Offering Period may enroll in the Plan only with effect for the subsequent Offering Period. A Participant's enrollment in the Plan shall remain in effect for successive Offering Periods unless terminated as provided in Section 10 hereof.

6. Payroll Deductions or Other Contributions.

- (a) At the time a Participant completes any Participation Election, enrollment form and/or procedure to enroll in the Plan, as provided in Section 5 hereof, he or she shall elect to have payroll deductions made on each pay day during the Offering Period in an amount not exceeding 10% of the Compensation that he or she receives on each pay day during the Offering Period. Should a pay day occur on a Purchase Date, a Participant shall have the payroll deductions made on such day applied to his or her account under the current Offering Period, unless otherwise provided by the Administrator. The Administrator, in its sole discretion, may permit Participants to contribute amounts to the Plan through payment by cash, check or other means if payroll deductions are not permitted or advisable under applicable law; provided, however, that such contributions shall not exceed 10% of the Compensation received each pay day during the Offering Period.
- (b) Payroll deductions or other contributions, as applicable, for a Participant shall commence on the first pay day following the Offering Date and shall end on the last pay day in the Offering Period to which such authorization is applicable (subject to Section 6(a) hereof), unless sooner terminated by the Participant as provided in Section 10 hereof.
 - (c) Any payroll deduction or other contribution elections made by a Participant shall be in whole percentages only.
- (d) A Participant may not change his or her rate of contribution during an Offering Period. Any change in the rate of contribution may be made only effective for the next Offering Period by completing any form or following any procedure established by the Administrator from time to time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent necessary to comply with Section 423(b)(8) of the Code as described in Section 8(b) hereof, as determined by the Administrator in its sole discretion, a Participant's payroll deductions or other contributions may be decreased during an Offering Period.
- 7. <u>Grant of Purchase Right</u>. On each Offering Date, each Participant shall be granted a right to purchase on each Purchase Date during such Offering Period (at the applicable Purchase Price) up to a number of Shares determined by dividing such Participant's payroll deductions or other contributions accumulated prior to such Purchase Date by the applicable Purchase Price, provided, however, that in no event shall a Participant be permitted to purchase more than 1,000 Shares during each Offering Period, subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 16 hereof, and provided further that such purchase shall be subject to the limitations set forth in Section 8(b) hereof. The Administrator may, for future Offerings, increase or decrease the maximum number of Shares that a Participant may purchase during an Offering Period. With respect to any Offering, the purchase right shall expire on the last day of the relevant Offering Period.

8. Purchase of Shares.

(a) Unless a Participant withdraws from the Plan as provided in Section 10 hereof, on the Purchase Date, the maximum number of Shares that may be purchased with the accumulated payroll deductions or other contributions in the Participant's account shall be purchased for such Participant at the applicable Purchase Price, subject to the limitations in Section 7 and Section 8(b) hereof. Unless otherwise determined by the Administrator prior to an Offering,

fractional Shares shall not be purchased and any payroll deductions or other contributions accumulated in a Participant's account which are not sufficient to purchase a full Share shall, at the discretion of the Administrator, be returned to the Participant or be retained in the Participant's account for a subsequent Offering Period. Shares may be purchased pursuant to the purchase right granted to Participant under the Plan only by the Participant.

- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, no Participant shall be granted a purchase right under the Plan which permits his or her rights to purchase stock under all employee stock purchase plans of the Company and its Subsidiaries to accrue at a rate which exceeds US \$25,000 in Fair Market Value of Shares (determined at the time the purchase right is granted) for each calendar year in which such purchase right is outstanding at any time.
- (c) If the Administrator determines that, on a given Purchase Date, the number of Shares with respect to which purchase rights are to be exercised may exceed (i) the number of Shares that were available for sale under the Plan on the relevant Offering Date, or (ii) the number of Shares available for sale under the Plan on such Purchase Date, the Administrator may provide, in its sole discretion, that the Company shall make a pro-rate allocation of the Shares available for purchase on such Purchase Date in as uniform a manner as shall be practicable and as it shall determine in its sole discretion to be equitable among all Participants exercising purchase rights on such Purchase Date. The Company may make a pro-rate allocation of the Shares pursuant to the preceding sentence, notwithstanding any authorization of additional Shares for issuance under the Plan by the Company's stockholders subsequent to the relevant Offering Date.
- 9. <u>Delivery of Shares</u>. By enrolling in the Plan, each Participant shall be deemed to have authorized the establishment of a brokerage account on his or her behalf at a securities brokerage firm selected by the Company. Alternatively, the Administrator may provide for a Plan share account for each Participant to be established by the Company or by an outside entity selected by the Company which is not a brokerage firm. As soon as reasonably practicable after each Purchase Date, the Company shall arrange for the delivery to each Participant of the Shares purchased upon exercise of his or her purchase right to the Participant's brokerage or Plan share account in a form determined by the Administrator. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, unless otherwise determined by the Administrator or required by any applicable law, rule or regulation, the Company shall not deliver to any Participant certificates evidencing Shares issued in connection with any purchase under the Plan, and instead such Shares shall be recorded in the books of the brokerage firm selected by the Company or, as applicable, the Company, its transfer agent, stock plan administrator or such other outside entity which is not a brokerage firm.

10. Withdrawal.

(a) A Participant may decide not to purchase Shares on a Purchase Date and may elect to withdraw all, but not less than all, the payroll deductions or other contributions credited to his or her account and not yet used to purchase Shares under the Plan at any time by giving notice in the form and manner prescribed by the Administrator from time to time. Upon such withdrawal, (i) all of the Participant's payroll deductions or other contributions credited to his or her account shall be paid to such Participant as soon as reasonably practicable after receipt of notice of withdrawal, (ii) such Participant's purchase right for the Offering shall be terminated automatically and (iii) no further payroll deductions or other contributions for the purchase of Shares shall be made

during the current Offering Period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Administrator may specify a period of time immediately preceding each Purchase Date during which time any withdrawal will not be effective for the current Offering Period but will become effective for all subsequent Offering Periods. If a Participant withdraws from the Plan as described herein, payroll deductions or other contributions shall not resume at the beginning of the subsequent Offering Period unless the Participant completes a Participation Election and/or any other forms and follows any procedures for enrollment in the Plan as described in Section 5 hereof.

- (b) A Participant's withdrawal from an Offering shall not have any effect upon his or her eligibility to participate in any similar plan that may hereafter be adopted by the Company or in subsequent Offerings which commence after the termination of the Offering from which he or she has withdrawn.
- 11. Tax Withholding. The Participant must make adequate provision for any withholding obligation of the Company or any Subsidiary or Affiliate for federal, state, or any other tax liability, national insurance, social security, payment-on-account or other tax related items, if any, which arise as a result of participation in the Plan, including, for the avoidance of doubt, any liability to pay an employer tax or social insurance contribution which has been shifted from the Company or any Subsidiary or Affiliate to the Participant as a matter of law or contract. The Company or any Subsidiary or Affiliate, as applicable, may withhold, by any method permissible under applicable law, the amount necessary for the Company or a Subsidiary or Affiliate, as applicable, to meet applicable withholding obligations, including any withholding required to make available to the Company or a Subsidiary or Affiliate, as applicable, any tax deductions or benefits attributable to the sale or early disposition of Shares by the Participant.
- 12. **No Right to Employment.** Participation in the Plan by a Participant shall not be construed as giving a Participant the right to be retained as an employee of the Company or a Subsidiary or Affiliate, as applicable. Furthermore, the Company or a Subsidiary or Affiliate may dismiss a Participant from employment at any time, free from any liability or any claim under the Plan.
- 13. **Termination of Employment**. Unless otherwise determined by the Administrator, upon a Participant ceasing to be an Eligible Employee, for any reason, he or she shall be deemed to have elected to withdraw from the Plan and the payroll deductions or other contributions credited to such Participant's account during the current Offering Period but not yet used to purchase Shares under the Plan shall be returned to such Participant or, in the case of termination of employment due to death, to the Participant's heirs or estate, and such Participant's purchase right shall be terminated automatically.
- 14. **Interest.** No interest will accrue on the payroll deductions or other contributions of a Participant in the Plan, except as may be required by applicable law, as determined by the Administrator.

15. Shares Available for Purchase under the Plan.

(a) <u>Basic Limitation</u>. Subject to adjustment pursuant to Section 16 hereof, the aggregate number of Shares authorized for sale under the Plan is 3,000,000 Shares. For the avoidance of doubt, the limitation set forth in this section may be used to satisfy purchases of Shares under either the 423 Component or the Non-423 Component.

- (b) <u>Rights as an Unsecured Creditor</u>. Until the Shares are issued (as evidenced by the appropriate entry on the books of the Company or of a duly-authorized transfer agent of or broker selected by the Company), a Participant shall only have the rights of an unsecured creditor with respect to such Shares, and no right to vote or receive dividends or any other rights as a stockholder shall exist with respect to such Shares.
- (c) <u>Source of Shares Deliverable at Purchase</u>. Any Shares issued upon purchase may consist, in whole or in part, of authorized and unissued Shares or of treasury Shares.

16. Adjustments for Changes in Capitalization and Similar Events.

- (a) <u>Adjustment</u>. Subject to any required action by the stockholders of the Company, the number of Shares that have been authorized for issuance under the Plan, whether under currently outstanding purchase rights or available for future purchase rights, and the price per Share covered by each purchase right under the Plan that has not yet been exercised, shall be proportionately and equitably adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued and outstanding Shares resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the Shares, or any other increase or decrease in the number of Shares effected without receipt of consideration by the Company.
- (b) <u>Change of Control</u>. In the event of a public announcement of an event that may result in a Change of Control, the Board or Committee may, in its sole discretion (and without the consent of participants), elect to (i) unilaterally terminate the Plan at any time prior to the consummation of such transaction and return all contributions to Participants; (ii) unilaterally set a new Purchase Date on or at any time before the date of consummation of the Change of Control (provided that the Company notifies the Participants of such new date), as of which new Purchase Date the Offering Period then in progress will terminate and all outstanding purchase rights hereunder shall be deemed to be exercised automatically, unless prior to such date a Participant has withdrawn from the Offering Period as provided in Section 10; or (iii) provide for an alternative treatment of the Participants' purchase rights that is acceptable to the person or entity that will succeed to the Company's assets, business or operations pursuant to such transaction. Any action taken by the Board or Committee under this section shall be binding on all Participants.

17. Administration.

- (a) <u>Authority of the Administrator</u>. Subject to the terms of the Plan and applicable law, and in addition to other express powers and authorizations conferred on the Administrator by the Plan, the Administrator shall have sole and plenary authority to administer the Plan, including, without limitation, the authority to:
- (i) construe, interpret, reconcile any inconsistency in, correct any default in and supply any omission in, and apply the terms of the Plan and any Participation Election or other instrument or agreement relating to the Plan;

- (ii) determine eligibility and adjudicate all disputed claims filed under the Plan, including whether Eligible Employees shall participate in the 423 Component or the Non-423 Component and which entities shall be Designated Companies;
 - (iii) determine the terms and conditions of any right to purchase Shares and any Offering under the Plan;
- (iv) establish, amend, suspend or waive such rules and regulations and appoint such agents as it shall deem appropriate for the proper administration of the Plan;
- (v) amend an outstanding purchase right or grant a replacement purchase right for a purchase right previously granted under the Plan if, in the Administrator's discretion, it determines that (A) the tax consequences of such purchase right to the Company, a Subsidiary or Affiliate or to the Participant differ from those consequences that were expected to occur on the date the purchase right was granted, or (B) clarifications or interpretations of, or changes to, tax law or regulations permit purchase rights to be granted that have more favorable tax consequences than initially anticipated; and
- (vi) make any other determination and take any other action that the Administrator deems necessary or desirable for the administration of the Plan.

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Plan, the Administrator may adopt rules or procedures relating to the operation and administration of the Plan to accommodate the specific requirements of local laws and procedures for jurisdictions outside of the United States. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrator specifically is authorized to adopt rules, procedures and subplans, which, for purposes of the Non-423 Component, may be outside the scope of Section 423 of the Code, regarding, without limitation, eligibility to participate in the Plan, the definition of Compensation, handling of payroll deductions, making of contributions to the Plan (including, without limitation, in forms other than payroll deductions), establishment of bank or trust accounts to hold payroll deductions or other contributions, payment of interest, conversion of local currency, obligations to pay payroll tax, determination of beneficiary-designation requirements, withholding procedures and handling of Share issuances, which may vary according to local requirements.

- (b) <u>Administrator Decisions</u>. Unless otherwise expressly provided in the Plan, all designations, determinations, interpretations and other decisions under or with respect to the Plan or any right to purchase Shares granted under the Plan shall be within the sole and plenary discretion of the Administrator, may be made at any time and shall be final, conclusive, and binding upon all persons, including the Company, any Designated Company, any Participant, any Eligible Employee, or any beneficiary of such person, as applicable.
- 18. <u>Transferability</u>. Neither payroll deductions nor other contributions credited to a Participant's account nor any rights with regard to the exercise of a purchase right or to receive Shares under the Plan may be assigned, transferred, pledged or otherwise disposed of in any way (other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution) by the Participant. Any such attempt at assignment, transfer, pledge or other disposition shall be without effect, except that the Company may treat such act as an election to withdraw funds in accordance with Section 10 hereof.

19. <u>Use of Funds</u>. All payroll deductions or other contributions received or held by the Company under the Plan may be used by the Company for any corporate purpose, and the Company shall not be obligated to segregate such payroll deductions or contributions except as may be required by applicable law, as determined by the Administrator.

20. Amendment and Termination.

- (a) The Plan may be amended, modified, suspended or terminated by the Board or the Committee without the approval of the stockholders of the Company; provided, however, that the Company shall obtain stockholder approval of any amendment in such a manner and to such a degree as required by applicable law or government regulation, or the rules of the New York Stock Exchange or any successor exchange or quotation system on which the Shares may be listed or quoted or to comply with Section 423 of the Code. For the avoidance of doubt, the authority to amend, modify, suspend or terminate the Plan may not be delegated.
- (b) Without limitation to the provisions of Section 20(a) hereof, the Administrator shall be entitled to take the following actions without stockholder approval and without regard to whether any Participant rights may be considered to be adversely affected by such actions:
 - (i) change the method for determining the Purchase Price;
 - (ii) change the duration and timing of Offering Periods (subject to the limitations set forth in Section 4 hereof);
- (iii) determine whether or not and how frequent changes may be made to the rate of payroll deductions or other contributions to be made during an Offering Period;
- (iv) increase or decrease the maximum number of Shares a Participant may purchase during an Offering Period (subject to the limitations set forth in Section 8(b) hereof);
 - (v) establish the exchange ratio applicable to payroll deductions or other contributions made in a currency other than U.S. dollars;
- (vi) change the maximum rate of payroll deductions or other contributions that a Participant can elect or permit payroll deductions or other contributions in excess of the rate designated by a Participant to adjust for delays or mistakes in the Company's processing of a properly completed Participation Election;
- (vii) establish reasonable waiting and adjustment periods and/or accounting and crediting procedures to ensure that amounts applied toward the purchase of Shares for each Participant properly correspond with amounts deducted from or contributed by the Participant; and
- (viii) establish such other limitations or procedures as the Administrator determines in its sole discretion advisable which are consistent with the Plan.
- 21. **Notices.** All notices or other communications by a Participant to the Company under or in connection with the Plan shall be deemed to have been duly given when received in the form and manner specified by the Administrator at the location, or by the person, designated by the Administrator for the receipt thereof.

22. Conditions upon Issuance of Shares.

- (a) Shares shall not be issued with respect to a purchase right unless the purchase of Shares pursuant to such purchase right and the issuance and delivery of such Shares pursuant thereto shall comply with all applicable provisions of law, U.S. and non-U.S. and state and local provisions, including, without limitation, the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Exchange Act, the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and the requirements of any stock exchange upon which the Shares may then be listed, and shall be further subject to the approval of counsel for the Company with respect to such compliance. In the event the Company determines that Shares may not be issued pursuant to this Section 22(a), any payroll deductions or other contributions shall be promptly refunded to the relevant Participants.
- (b) As a condition to the purchase of Shares pursuant to a purchase right, the Company may require the person on whose behalf Shares are purchased to represent and warrant at the time of any such purchase that the Shares are being purchased only for investment and without any present intention to sell or distribute such Shares if, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, such a representation is required by any of the applicable provisions of law described in Section 22(a) hereof.
- 23. <u>Share Issuance</u>. All Shares delivered pursuant to the purchase of Shares under the Plan shall be subject to such restrictions as the Administrator may deem advisable under the Plan or the rules, regulations, and other requirements of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the New York Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange or quotation system upon which such Shares or other securities are then listed or reported and any applicable federal, state or other laws, and the Administrator may take whatever steps are necessary to effect such restrictions.
- 24. **Term of Plan.** After adoption of the Plan by the Board, this Plan will become effective on the first Offering Date (as described in Section 4 hereof). Subject to Section 25 hereof, this Plan shall continue until the earlier to occur of (a) termination of this Plan by the Board or the Committee (pursuant to Section 20(a) hereof), (b) issuance of all of the Shares reserved for issuance under this Plan, or (c) ten (10) years from the adoption of this Plan by the Board. No further purchase rights shall be granted or Shares purchased, and no further payroll deductions or other contributions shall be collected under the Plan following such termination.
- 25. <u>Stockholder Approval of Plan.</u> This Plan shall be approved by the stockholders of the Company, in the manner and to the degree required under applicable law, within twelve (12) months of the date this Plan is adopted by the Board. No purchase of Shares pursuant to this Plan shall occur prior to such stockholder approval. If the Plan is not approved by the stockholders of the Company prior to the first scheduled Purchase Date, the Plan and all purchase rights granted under the Plan will terminate immediately prior to the first scheduled Purchase Date without any action by the Board or the Committee, and all payroll deductions and other contributions will be refunded to Participants as soon as practicable.

26. Code Section 409A; Tax Qualification.

- (a) Purchase rights granted under the 423 Component are exempt from the application of Section 409A of the Code. Purchase rights granted under the Non-423 Component to U.S. taxpayers are intended to be exempt from the application of Section 409A of the Code under the short-term deferral exception and any ambiguities shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with such intent. Subject to Section 26(b) hereof, purchase rights granted to U.S. taxpayers under the Non-423 Component shall be subject to such terms and conditions that will permit such purchase rights to satisfy the requirements of the short-term deferral exception available under Section 409A of the Code, including the requirement that the Shares subject to a purchase right be delivered within the short-term deferral period. Subject to Section 26(b) hereof, in the case of a Participant who would otherwise be subject to Section 409A of the Code, to the extent the Administrator determines that a purchase right or the exercise, payment, settlement or deferral thereof is subject to Section 409A of the Code, the purchase right shall be granted, exercised, paid, settled or deferred in a manner that will comply with Section 409A of the Code, including U.S. Department of Treasury regulations and other interpretive guidance issued thereunder, including without limitation any such regulations or other guidance that may be issued after the Effective Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company shall have no liability to a Participant or any other party if the purchase right that is intended to be exempt from or compliant with Section 409A of the Code is not so exempt or compliant or for any action taken by the Administrator with respect thereto.
- (b) Although the Company may endeavor to (i) qualify a purchase right for favorable tax treatment under the laws of the United States or jurisdictions outside of the United States or (ii) avoid adverse tax treatment (e.g., under Section 409A of the Code), the Company makes no representation to that effect and expressly disavows any covenant to maintain favorable or avoid unfavorable tax treatment, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Plan, including Section 26(a) hereof. The Company shall be unconstrained in its corporate activities without regard to the potential negative tax impact on Participants under the Plan.
- 27. <u>Severability</u>. If any particular provision of this Plan is found to be invalid or otherwise unenforceable, such provision shall not affect the other provisions of the Plan, but the Plan shall be construed in all respects as if such invalid provision were omitted.
- 28. **Governing Law.** Except to the extent that provisions of this Plan are governed by applicable provisions of the Code or any other substantive provision of federal law, this Plan shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without giving effect to the conflict of laws principles thereof.
- 29. <u>Headings</u>. Headings are given to the sections and subsections of the Plan solely as a convenience to facilitate reference. Such headings shall not be deemed in any way material or relevant to the construction or interpretation of the Plan.