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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

JAVIER QUINTERO, an individual;
HARRY VALLES, an individual; HECTOR
RIVERA, an individual; JOSHUA
AGUILAR, an individual; JUAN
GERARDO LOPEZ MACEDO, an
individual; KEVIN FISHER, an individual;
MADEL GRAGELOA, an individual;
PEDRO CHAVEZ, an individual; and
ULICES MARTINEZ, an individual; ALL
INDIVIDUAL Plaintiffs ON BEHALF OF
THEMSELVES AND ALL OTHER
SIMILARLY SITUATED NON-EXEMPT
CURRENT AND FORMER EMPLOYEES;

Plaintiffs,

vs.

HALIBURTON INTERNATIONAL
FOODS, INC., a California Corporation;
IAN CHARLES SCHENKEL, an individual;
SQUARE ONE STAFFING, a California
Corporation; and DOES 9 through 10,
inclusive,

Defendants.

And consolidated case

Case No.: CIVDS1917709

Consolidated with CIVDS2018265

CLASS ACTION

[Hon. Jessica Morgan, Dept. S26]

**CLASS ACTION AND PAGA SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT AND CLASS NOTICE**

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CLASS ACTION AND PAGA SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND CLASS NOTICE

This Class Action and PAGA Settlement Agreement (“Agreement”) is made by and between plaintiffs Javier Quintero, Harry Valles, Hector Rivera, Joshua Aguilar, Juan Gerardo Lopez Macedo, Kevin Fisher, Madel Grageola, and Ruben Salazar (“Plaintiffs”) and defendant Haliburton International Foods, Inc. (“Haliburton”). The Agreement refers to Plaintiffs and Haliburton collectively as “Parties,” or individually as “Party.”

1. **DEFINITIONS.**

- 1.1. “Actions” means the Plaintiffs’ lawsuit alleging wage and hour violations against Haliburton captioned (i) *Javier Quintero et al. v. Haliburton International Foods, Inc., et al.*, San Bernardino County Superior Court, Case No. CIVDS1917709 initiated on June 14, 2019; (ii) *Ruben Salazar v. Haliburton International Foods, Inc., et al.*, San Bernardino County Superior Court, Case No. CIVDS2018265.
- 1.2. “Administrator” means Phoenix Class Action Administration Solutions, the neutral entity the Parties have agreed to appoint to administer the Settlement.
- 1.3. “Administration Expenses Payment” means the amount the Administrator will be paid from the Gross Settlement Amount to reimburse its reasonable fees and expenses in accordance with the Administrator’s “not to exceed” bid submitted to the Court in connection with Preliminary Approval of the Settlement.
- 1.4. “Aggrieved Employee” means a person currently or formerly employed by Defendant, either directly or through any subsidiary, affiliate, staffing agency, joint venture or professional employer organization, as a non-exempt, hourly paid employee from May 9, 2018 through January 31, 2024.
- 1.5. “Class” means all persons currently or formerly employed by Defendant, either directly or through any subsidiary, affiliate, staffing agency, joint venture or professional employer organization, as non-exempt, hourly-paid employees from June 14, 2015, through January 31, 2024.
- 1.6. “Class Counsel” means Solouki and Savoy, LLP and Moon Law Group, PC.

- 1.7. “Class Counsel Fees Payment” and “Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment” mean the amounts allocated to Class Counsel for reimbursement of reasonable attorneys’ fees and expenses, respectively, incurred to prosecute the Action.
- 1.8. “Class Data” means Class Member identifying information in Haliburton’s possession including the Class Member’s name, last-known mailing address, Social Security number, and number of Class Period Workweeks and PAGA Pay Periods.
- 1.9. “Class Member” or “Settlement Class Member” means a member of the Class, as either a Participating Class Member or Non-Participating Class Member (including a Non-Participating Class Member who qualifies as an Aggrieved Employee).
- 1.10. “Class Member Address Search” means the Administrator’s investigation and search for current Class Member mailing addresses using all reasonably available sources, methods and means including, but not limited to, the National Change of Address database, skip traces, and direct contact by the Administrator with Class Members.
- 1.11. “Class Notice” means the COURT APPROVED NOTICE OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AND HEARING DATE FOR FINAL COURT APPROVAL, to be mailed to Class Members in English with a Spanish translation, if applicable in the form, without material variation, attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference into this Agreement.
- 1.12. “Class Period” means the period from June 14, 2015 to January 31, 2024.
- 1.13. “Class Representative” means the named Plaintiffs, Javier Quintero, Harry Valles, Hector Rivera, Joshua Aguilar, Juan Gerardo Lopez Macedo, Kevin Fisher, Madel Grageola, and Ruben Salazar in the operative complaint in the Action seeking Court approval to serve as a Class Representative.
- 1.14. “Class Representative Service Payment” means the payment to the Class Representatives for initiating the Action and providing services in support of the Action.
- 1.15. “Court” means the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino.
- 1.16. “Haliburton” means named Defendant Haliburton International Foods, Inc.
- 1.17. “Defense Counsel” means Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani, LLP.

- 1.18. “Effective Date” means the date by when both of the following have occurred: (a) the Court enters a Judgment on its Order Granting Final Approval of the Settlement; and (b) the Judgment is final. The Judgment is final as of the latest of the following occurrences: (a) if no Participating Class Member objects to the Settlement, the day the Court enters Judgment; (b) if one or more Participating Class Members objects to the Settlement, the day after the deadline for filing a notice of appeal from the Judgment; or if a timely appeal from the Judgment is filed, the day after the appellate court affirms the Judgment and issues a remittitur.
- 1.19. “Final Approval” means the Court’s order granting final approval of the Settlement.
- 1.20. “Final Approval Hearing” means the Court’s hearing on the Motion for Final Approval of the Settlement.
- 1.21. “Final Judgment” means the Judgment Entered by the Court upon Granting Final Approval of the Settlement.
- 1.22. “Gross Settlement Amount” means \$950,000.00 which is the total amount Haliburton agrees to pay under the Settlement except as provided in Paragraph 9 below. The Gross Settlement Amount will be used to pay Individual Class Payments, Individual PAGA Payments, the LWDA PAGA Payment, Class Counsel Fees, Class Counsel Expenses, Class Representative Service Payments and the Administrator’s Expenses.
- 1.23. “Individual Class Payment” means the Participating Class Member’s pro rata share of the Net Settlement Amount calculated according to the number of Workweeks worked during the Class Period.
- 1.24. “Individual PAGA Payment” means the Aggrieved Employee’s pro rata share of 25% of the PAGA Penalties calculated according to the number of Workweeks worked during the PAGA Period.
- 1.25. “Judgment” means the judgment entered by the Court based upon the Final Approval.
- 1.26. “LWDA” means the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency, the agency entitled, under Labor Code section 2699, subd. (i).
- 1.27. “LWDA PAGA Payment” means the 75% of the PAGA Penalties paid to the LWDA

under Labor Code section 2699, subd. (i).

1.28. “Net Settlement Amount” means the Gross Settlement Amount, less the following payments in the amounts approved by the Court: Individual PAGA Payments, the LWDA PAGA Payment, Class Representative Service Payment, Class Counsel Fees Payment, Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment, and the Administration Expenses Payment. The remainder is to be paid to Participating Class Members as Individual Class Payments.

1.29. “Non-Participating Class Member” means any Class Member who opts out of the Settlement by sending the Administrator a valid and timely Request for Exclusion.

1.30. “PAGA Pay Period” means any Pay Period during which an Aggrieved Employee worked for Haliburton for at least one day during the PAGA Period.

1.31. “PAGA Period” means the period from May 9, 2018 to January 31, 2024.

1.32. “PAGA” means the Private Attorneys General Act (Labor Code §§ 2698. *et seq.*).

1.33. “PAGA Notice” means Plaintiffs’ May 9, 2019 letter to Haliburton and the LWDA, and Plaintiff Ruben Salazar’s August 26, 2020 letter to Haliburton and the LWDA providing notice pursuant to Labor Code section 2699.3 subd. (a).

1.34. “PAGA Penalties” means the total amount of PAGA civil penalties to be paid from the Gross Settlement Amount, allocated 25% to the Aggrieved Employees (\$20,000) and the 75% to LWDA (\$60,000) in settlement of PAGA claims.

1.35. “Participating Class Member” means a Class Member who does not submit a valid and timely Request for Exclusion from the Settlement.

1.36. “Plaintiffs” means Javier Quintero, Harry Valles, Hector Rivera, Joshua Aguilar, Juan Gerardo Lopez Macedo, Kevin Fisher, Madel Grageola, and Ruben Salazar, the named plaintiffs in the Action.

1.37. “Preliminary Approval” means the Court’s Order Granting Preliminary Approval of the Settlement.

1.38. "Preliminary Approval Order" means the proposed Order Granting Preliminary Approval and Approval of PAGA Settlement.

1.39. “Released Class Claims” means the claims being released as described in Paragraph 5.2

below.

1.40. “Released PAGA Claims” means the claims being released as described in Paragraph 5.2 below.

1.41. “Released Parties” means: Haliburton and each of its former and present directors, officers, employees, shareholders, principals, agents, owners, members, attorneys, insurers, predecessors, successors, assigns, subsidiaries, and affiliates.

1.42. “Request for Exclusion” means a Class Member’s submission of a written request to be excluded from the Class Settlement signed by the Class Member.

1.43. "Response Deadline" means 60 days after the Administrator mails Notice to Class Members and Aggrieved Employees, and shall be the last date on which Class Members may: (a) fax, email, or mail Requests for Exclusion from the Settlement, or (b) fax, email, or mail his or her Objection to the Settlement. Class Members to whom Notice Packets are re-sent after having been returned undeliverable to the Administrator shall have an additional 14 calendar days beyond the Response Deadline has expired.

1.44. “Settlement” means the disposition of the Action effected by this Agreement and the Judgment.

1.45. “Workweek” means any week during which a Class Member worked for Haliburton for at least one day, during the Class Period.

2. RECITALS.

2.1. On June 14, 2019, Plaintiffs Javier Quintero, Harry Valles, Hector Rivera, Joshua Aguilar, Juan Gerardo Lopez Macedo, Kevin Fisher and Madel Grageola (“Quintero Action Plaintiffs”) commenced this Action by filing a Complaint alleging causes of action against Haliburton for (1) failure to pay minimum and straight time wages; (2) failure to pay overtime wages; (3) failure to provide meal periods; (4) failure to authorize and permit rest periods; (5) failure to indemnify necessary business expenses; (6) failure to timely pay final wages at termination; (7) failure to provide accurate itemized wage statements; and (8) unfair business practices; On November 13 2020, the Quintero Action Plaintiffs filed a

First Amended Complaint adding a cause of action under California’s Private Attorney General Act (“PAGA”)

2.2. On August 28, 2020, Plaintiff Ruben Salazar (“Salazar Action Plaintiff”) filed a wage and hour class action complaint against Haliburton alleging violations of California law for: (1) failure to pay minimum and straight time wages; (2) failure to pay overtime wages; (3) failure to provide meal periods; (4) failure to authorize and permit rest periods; (5) failure to indemnify necessary business expenses; (6) failure to timely pay final wages at termination; (7) failure to provide accurate itemized wage statements; and (8) unfair business practices. On February 18, 2021, Salazar Action Plaintiff filed a First Amended Complaint alleging a single cause of action under PAGA in light of his executed arbitration agreement;

2.3. On November 29, 2021, in light of the overlapping claims, the parties in the Quintero Action and Salazar Action agreed to consolidate the two actions.

2.4. On December 8, 2022, the Parties in the Quintero Action and Salazar Action filed a Second Amended Complaint, which revised the caption page to reflect the dismissed defendants, clarify that the Salazar Action Plaintiff solely alleges a cause of action under California’s Private Attorney General Act, and correct some typographical errors The Second Amended] Complaint is the operative complaint in the Action (the “Operative Complaint”). The Operative Complaint names as a Defendant, Ian Schenkel, who the Parties acknowledge is one of the Released Parties hereunder. Haliburton and Ian Schenkel each deny the allegations in the Operative Complaint, deny any failure to comply with the laws identified in in the Operative Complaint and deny any and all liability for the causes of action alleged.

2.5. Pursuant to Labor Code section 2699.3 subd. (a), Plaintiffs gave timely written notice to Haliburton and the LWDA by sending the PAGA Notice.

2.6. On January 3, 2024, the Parties participated in a second session of an all-day mediation presided over by Steve Rottman, Esq. which led to this Agreement to settle the Action.

2.7. Prior to mediation, Plaintiffs obtained, through formal and informal discovery, wage statements, employee handbooks, personnel files, policy documents regarding meal and rest breaks, and time and pay records for a sample of the employee group, as well as the total number of employees and relevant pay periods at issue. Plaintiffs' investigation was sufficient to satisfy the criteria for court approval set forth in *Dunk v. Foot Locker Retail, Inc.*, 48 Cal. App. 4th 1794, 1801 (1996) and *Kullar v. Foot Locker Retail, Inc.*, 168 Cal. App. 4th 116, 129-130 (2008) ("*Dunk/Kullar*").

2.8. The Court has not granted class certification.

2.9. The Parties, Class Counsel and Defense Counsel represent that they are not aware of any other pending matter or action asserting claims that will be extinguished or affected by the Settlement.

3. **MONETARY TERMS.**

3.1. Gross Settlement Amount. Except as otherwise provided in Paragraph 9 below, Haliburton promises to pay \$950,000.00 and no more as the Gross Settlement Amount and to separately pay any and all employer payroll taxes owed on the Wage Portions of the Individual Class Payments. Haliburton has no obligation to pay the Gross Settlement Amount (or any payroll taxes) prior to the deadline stated in Paragraph 6.1 of this Agreement. The Administrator will disburse the entire Gross Settlement Amount without asking or requiring Participating Class Members or Aggrieved Employees to submit any claim as a condition of payment. None of the Gross Settlement Amount will revert to Haliburton.

3.2. Payments from the Gross Settlement Amount. The Administrator will make and deduct the following payments from the Gross Settlement Amount, in the amounts specified by the Court in the Final Approval:

3.2.1. To Plaintiffs: Class Representative Service Payment to the Class Representatives of not more than \$5,000 each, for a total amount not to exceed \$40,000 (in addition to any Individual Class Payment and any Individual PAGA Payment the Class

Representatives may be entitled to receive as Participating Class Members). Haliburton will not oppose Plaintiffs' request for Class Representative Service Payments that do not exceed this amount. As part of the motion for Class Counsel Fees Payment and Class Litigation Expenses Payment, Plaintiffs will seek Court approval for any Class Representative Service Payments no later than 16 court days prior to the Final Approval Hearing. If the Court approves a Class Representative Service Payment less than the amount requested, the Administrator will retain the remainder in the Net Settlement Amount. The Administrator will pay the Class Representative Service Payment using IRS Form 1099. Plaintiffs assume full responsibility and liability for employee taxes owed on the Class Representative Service Payment.

3.2.2. To Class Counsel: A Class Counsel Fees Payment of not more than thirty-five percent (35 %) of the Gross Settlement Amount, which is currently estimated to be \$332,500.00, and a Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment of not more than \$60,000.00. Haliburton will not oppose requests for these payments provided they do not exceed these amounts. Plaintiffs and/or Class Counsel will file a motion for Class Counsel Fees Payment and Class Litigation Expenses Payment no later than sixteen (16) court days prior to the date of the Final Settlement Approval Hearing. If the Court approves a Class Counsel Fees Payment and/or a Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment lower than the amounts requested, the Administrator will allocate the remainder to the Net Settlement Amount. Released Parties shall have no liability to Class Counsel or any other Plaintiffs' Counsel arising from any claim to any portion any Class Counsel Fee Payment and/or Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment. The Administrator will pay the Class Counsel Fees Payment and Class Counsel Expenses Payment using one or more IRS 1099 Forms. Class Counsel assumes full responsibility and liability for taxes owed on the Class Counsel Fees Payment and the Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment and holds Haliburton harmless, and indemnifies Haliburton, from any

dispute or controversy regarding any division or sharing of any of these Payments.

3.2.3. To the Administrator: An Administrator Expenses Payment not to exceed \$15,000, except for a showing of good cause and as approved by the Court. To the extent the Administration Expenses are less than \$15,000, or the Court approves payment of less than \$15,000, the Administrator will allocate the remainder to the Net Settlement Amount.

3.2.4. To Each Participating Class Member: An Individual Class Payment calculated by (a) dividing the Net Settlement Amount by the total number of Workweeks worked by all Participating Class Members during the Class Period and (b) multiplying the result by each Participating Class Member's Workweeks.

3.2.4.1. Tax Allocation of Individual Class Payments. twenty percent (20%) of each Participating Class Member's Individual Class Payment will be allocated to the settlement of wage claims (the "Wage Portion"). The Wage Portions are subject to tax withholding and will be reported on an IRS W-2 Form. Eighty percent (80%) of each Participating Class Member's Individual Class Payment will be allocated to settlement of claims for interest and penalties (the "Non-Wage Portion").^{vi} The Non-Wage Portion is not subject to wage withholdings and will be reported on IRS 1099 Forms. Participating Class Members assume full responsibility and liability for any employee taxes owed on their Individual Class Payment.

3.2.4.2. Effect of Non-Participating Class Members on Calculation of Individual Class Payments. Non-Participating Class Members will not receive any Individual Class Payments. The Administrator will retain amounts equal to Non-Participating Class Members' Individual Class Payments in the Net Settlement Amount for distribution to Participating Class Members on a pro rata basis.

3.2.5. To the LWDA and Aggrieved Employees: PAGA Penalties in the amount of \$80,000.00 to be paid from the Gross Settlement Amount, with 75% (totaling

\$60,000.00) allocated to the LWDA PAGA Payment and 25% (totaling \$20,000.00) allocated to the Individual PAGA Payments.

3.2.5.1. The Administrator will calculate each Individual PAGA Payment by (a) dividing the amount of the Aggrieved Employees' twenty-five percent (25%) share of PAGA Penalties \$20,000.00 by the total number of PAGA Period Pay Periods worked by all Aggrieved Employees during the PAGA Period and (b) multiplying the result by each Aggrieved Employee's PAGA Period Pay Periods. Aggrieved Employees assume full responsibility and liability for any taxes owed on their Individual PAGA Payment.

3.2.5.2. If the Court approves PAGA Penalties of less than the amount requested, the Administrator will allocate the remainder to the Net Settlement Amount. The Administrator will report the Individual PAGA Payments on IRS 1099 Forms.

4. SETTLEMENT FUNDING AND PAYMENTS.

- 4.1. Class Workweeks and Aggrieved Employee Pay Periods. Based on a review of its records as of January 3, 2024, Haliburton estimates there are 544 Class Members who collectively worked a total of 59,000 Workweeks.
- 4.2. Class Data. No later than fifteen (15) days after the Court grants Preliminary Approval of the Settlement, Haliburton will deliver the Class Data to the Administrator, in the form of a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet. To protect Class Members' privacy rights, the Administrator must maintain the Class Data in confidence, use the Class Data only for purposes of this Settlement and for no other purpose, and restrict access to the Class Data to Administrator employees who need access to the Class Data to effect and perform under this Agreement. Haliburton has a continuing duty to immediately notify Class Counsel if it discovers the Class Data omitted class member identifying information and to provide corrected or

1 updated Class Data as soon as reasonably feasible. Without any extension of the deadline
2 by which Haliburton must send the Class Data to the Administrator, the Parties and their
3 counsel will expeditiously use best efforts, in good faith, to reconstruct or otherwise
4 resolve any issues related to missing or omitted Class Data.

5 4.3. Funding of Gross Settlement Amount. Haliburton shall fully fund the Gross Settlement
6 Amount, and also fund the amounts necessary to fully pay Haliburton's share of payroll
7 taxes, by transmitting the funds to the Administrator no later than fourteen (14) days after
8 the Effective Date.

9 4.4. Payments from the Gross Settlement Amount. Within fourteen (14) days after Haliburton
10 funds the Gross Settlement Amount, the Administrator will mail checks for all Individual
11 Class Payments, all Individual PAGA Payments, the LWDA PAGA Payment, the
12 Administration Expenses Payment, the Class Counsel Fees Payment, the Class Counsel
13 Litigation Expenses Payment, and the Class Representative Service Payment.
14 Disbursement of the Class Counsel Fees Payment, the Class Counsel Litigation Expenses
15 Payment and the Class Representative Service Payment shall not precede disbursement of
16 Individual Class Payments and Individual PAGA Payments.

17 4.4.1. The Administrator will issue checks for the Individual Class Payments and/or
18 Individual PAGA Payments and send them to the Class Members via First Class
19 U.S. Mail, postage prepaid. The face of each check shall prominently state the
20 date (not less than 180 days after the date of mailing) when the check will be
21 voided. The Administrator will cancel all checks not cashed by the void date. The
22 Administrator will send checks for Individual Settlement Payments to all
23 Participating Class Members (including those for whom Class Notice was returned
24 undelivered). The Administrator will send checks for Individual PAGA Payments
25 to all Aggrieved Employees including Non-Participating Class Members who
26 qualify as Aggrieved Employees (including those for whom Class Notice was
27 returned undelivered). The Administrator may send Participating Class Members a
28 single check combining the Individual Class Payment and the Individual PAGA

Payment. Before mailing any checks, the Settlement Administrator must update the recipients' mailing addresses using the National Change of Address Database.

4.4.2. The Administrator must conduct a Class Member Address Search for all other Class Members whose checks are returned undelivered without USPS forwarding address. Within 7 days of receiving a returned check the Administrator must re-mail checks to the USPS forwarding address provided or to an address ascertained through the Class Member Address Search. The Administrator need not take further steps to deliver checks to Class Members whose re-mailed checks are returned as undelivered. The Administrator shall promptly send a replacement check to any Class Member whose original check was lost or misplaced, requested by the Class Member prior to the void date.

4.4.3. For any Class Member whose Individual Class Payment check or Individual PAGA Payment check is uncashed and cancelled after the void date, the Administrator shall transmit the funds represented by such checks to the California Controller's Unclaimed Property Fund in the name of the Class Member thereby leaving no "unpaid residue" subject to the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure Section 384 subd. (b).

4.4.4. The payment of Individual Class Payments and Individual PAGA Payments shall not obligate Haliburton to confer any additional benefits or make any additional payments to Class Members (such as 401(k) contributions or bonuses) beyond those specified in this Agreement.

5. **RELEASES OF CLAIMS.** Effective on the date Haliburton fully funds the entire Gross Settlement Amount and funds all employer payroll taxes owed on the Wage Portion of the Individual Class Payments, Plaintiffs, Class Members, and Class Counsel will release claims against all Released Parties as follows:

5.1. **Plaintiffs' Release.** Plaintiffs and their respective former and present spouses, representatives, agents, attorneys, heirs, administrators, successors, and assigns generally,

1 release and discharge Released Parties from all claims, transactions, or occurrences that
2 occurred during the Class Period, including, but not limited to: (a) all claims that were, or
3 reasonably could have been, alleged, based on the facts contained, in the Operative
4 Complaint and (b) all PAGA claims that were, or reasonably could have been, alleged
5 based on facts contained in the Operative Complaint, Plaintiffs' PAGA Notice, or
6 ascertained during the Action and released under 6.2, below. ("Plaintiffs' Release.")
7 Plaintiffs' Release does not extend to any claims or actions to enforce this Agreement, or
8 to any claims for vested benefits, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, social
9 security benefits, workers' compensation benefits that arose at any time, or based on
10 occurrences outside the Class Period. Plaintiffs acknowledge that Plaintiffs may discover
11 facts or law different from, or in addition to, the facts or law that Plaintiffs now knows or
12 believes to be true but agrees, nonetheless, that Plaintiffs' Release shall be and remain
13 effective in all respects, notwithstanding such different or additional facts or Plaintiffs'
14 discovery of them.

15 5.1.1. Plaintiffs' Waiver of Rights Under California Civil Code Section 1542. For
16 purposes of Plaintiffs' Release, Plaintiffs expressly waive and relinquish the
17 provisions, rights, and benefits, if any, of section 1542 of the California Civil Code,
18 which reads:

19 **A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or**
20 **releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor**
21 **at the time of executing the release, and that if known by him or her**
would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor
or Released Party.

22 5.2. Release by Participating Class Members Who Are Not Aggrieved Employees: All
23 Participating Class Members, on behalf of themselves and their respective former and
24 present representatives, agents, attorneys, heirs, administrators, successors, and assigns,
25 release Released Parties from (i) all claims that were alleged, or reasonably could have
26 been alleged, based on the Class Period facts stated in the Operative Complaint and
27 ascertained in the course of the Action [including any and all claims involving: (1) failure
28 to pay minimum and straight time wages; (2) failure to pay overtime wages; (3) failure to

provide meal periods; (4) failure to authorize and permit rest periods; (5) failure to indemnify necessary business expenses; (6) failure to timely pay final wages at termination; (7) failure to provide accurate itemized wage statements; (8) unfair business practices; and (9) PAGA. Except as set forth in Section 5.3 of this Agreement, Participating Class Members do not release any other claims, including claims for vested benefits, wrongful termination, violation of the Fair Employment and Housing Act, unemployment insurance, disability, social security, workers' compensation, or claims based on facts occurring outside the Class Period.

5.3. Release by Non-Participating Class Members Who Are Aggrieved Employees: All Non-Participating Class Members who are Aggrieved Employees are deemed to release, on behalf of themselves and their respective former and present representatives, agents, attorneys, heirs, administrators, successors, and assigns, the Released Parties from all claims for PAGA penalties that were alleged, or reasonably could have been alleged, based on the PAGA Period facts stated in the Operative Complaint, the PAGA Notice, and ascertained in the course of the Action including any and all claims involving: (1) failure to pay minimum and straight time wages; (2) failure to pay overtime wages; (3) failure to provide meal periods; (4) failure to authorize and permit rest periods; (5) failure to indemnify necessary business expenses; (6) failure to timely pay final wages at termination; (7) failure to provide accurate itemized wage statements; (8) unfair business practices; and (9) PAGA. .

6. MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL. The Parties agree to jointly prepare and file a motion for preliminary approval ("Motion for Preliminary Approval") that complies with the Court's current checklist for Preliminary Approvals.

6.1. Plaintiffs' Responsibilities. Plaintiffs will prepare and deliver to Defense Counsel all documents necessary for obtaining Preliminary Approval, including: (i) a draft of the notice, and memorandum in support, of the Motion for Preliminary Approval that includes

an analysis of the Settlement under *Dunk/Kullar* and a request for approval of the PAGA Settlement under Labor Code section 2699, subd. (f)(2)); (ii) a draft [Proposed] Order Granting Preliminary Approval and Approval of PAGA Settlement; (iii) a draft proposed Class Notice; (iv) a signed declaration from the Administrator attaching its “not to exceed” bid for administering the Settlement and attesting to its willingness to serve; competency; operative procedures for protecting the security of Class Data; amounts of insurance coverage for any data breach, defalcation of funds or other misfeasance; all facts relevant to any actual or potential conflicts of interest with Class Members; and the nature and extent of any financial relationship with Plaintiffs, Class Counsel or Defense Counsel; (v) a signed declaration from Plaintiffs confirming willingness and competency to serve and disclosing all facts relevant to any actual or potential conflicts of interest with Class Members, or the Administrator; (vi) a signed declaration from each Class Counsel firm attesting to its competency to represent the Class Members; its timely transmission to the LWDA of all necessary PAGA documents (initial notice of violations (Labor Code section 2699.3, subd. (a)), Operative Complaint (Labor Code section 2699, subd. (l)(1)), this Agreement (Labor Code section 2699, subd. (l)(2)); (vi) a redlined version of the parties’ Agreement showing all modifications made to the Model Agreement ready for filing with the Court; and (vii) all facts relevant to any actual or potential conflict of interest with Class Members, the Administrator and/or the Cy Pres Recipient. In their Declarations, Plaintiffs and Class Counsel Declaration shall aver that they are not aware of any other pending matter or action asserting claims that will be extinguished or adversely affected by the Settlement.

6.2. Responsibilities of Counsel. Class Counsel and Defense Counsel are jointly responsible for expeditiously finalizing and filing the Motion for Preliminary Approval no later than thirty (30) days after the full execution of this Agreement; obtaining a prompt hearing date for the Motion for Preliminary Approval; and for appearing in Court to advocate in favor of the Motion for Preliminary Approval. Class Counsel is responsible for delivering the Court’s Preliminary Approval to the Administrator.

6.3. Duty to Cooperate. If the Parties disagree on any aspect of the proposed Motion for Preliminary Approval and/or the supporting declarations and documents, Class Counsel and Defense Counsel will expeditiously work together on behalf of the Parties by meeting in person or by telephone, and in good faith, to resolve the disagreement. If the Court does not grant Preliminary Approval or conditions Preliminary Approval on any material change to this Agreement, Class Counsel and Defense Counsel will expeditiously work together on behalf of the Parties by meeting in person or by telephone, and in good faith, to modify the Agreement and otherwise satisfy the Court's concerns.

7. **SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION.**

7.1. Selection of Administrator. The Parties have jointly selected Phoenix Class Action Administration Solutions to serve as the Administrator and verified that as a condition of appointment, Phoenix Class Action Administration Solutions agrees to be bound by this Agreement and to perform, as a fiduciary, all duties specified in this Agreement in exchange for payment of Administration Expenses. The Parties and their Counsel represent that they have no interest or relationship, financial or otherwise, with the Administrator other than a professional relationship arising out of prior experiences administering settlements.

7.2. Employer Identification Number. The Administrator shall have and use its own Employer Identification Number for purposes of calculating payroll tax withholdings and providing reports state and federal tax authorities.

7.3. Qualified Settlement Fund. The Administrator shall establish a settlement fund that meets the requirements of a Qualified Settlement Fund ("QSF") under US Treasury Regulation section 468B-1.

7.4. Notice to Class Members.

7.4.1. No later than three (3) business days after receipt of the Class Data, the Administrator shall notify Class Counsel that the list has been received and state the number of Class Members, PAGA Members, Workweeks, and Pay Periods in

the Class Data.

7.4.2. Using best efforts to perform as soon as possible, and in no event later than fourteen (14) days after receiving the Class Data, the Administrator will send to all Class Members identified in the Class Data, via first-class United States Postal Service (“USPS”) mail, the Class Notice with Spanish translation, if applicable substantially in the form attached to this Agreement as Exhibit A. The first page of the Class Notice shall prominently estimate the dollar amounts of any Individual Class Payment and/or Individual PAGA Payment payable to the Class Member, and the number of Workweeks and PAGA Pay Periods (if applicable) used to calculate these amounts. Before mailing Class Notices, the Administrator shall update Class Member addresses using the National Change of Address database.

7.4.3. Not later than three (3) business days after the Administrator’s receipt of any Class Notice returned by the USPS as undelivered, the Administrator shall re-mail the Class Notice using any forwarding address provided by the USPS. If the USPS does not provide a forwarding address, the Administrator shall conduct a Class Member Address Search, and re-mail the Class Notice to the most current address obtained. The Administrator has no obligation to make further attempts to locate or send Class Notice to Class Members whose Class Notice is returned by the USPS a second time.

7.4.4. The deadlines for Class Members’ written objections, Challenges to Workweeks and/or Pay Periods, and Requests for Exclusion will be extended an additional fourteen (14) days beyond the sixty (60) days otherwise provided in the Class Notice for all Class Members whose notice is re-mailed. The Administrator will inform the Class Member of the extended deadline with the re-mailed Class Notice.

7.4.5. If the Administrator, Haliburton or Class Counsel is contacted by or otherwise discovers any persons who believe they should have been included in the Class Data and should have received Class Notice, the Parties will expeditiously meet

1 and confer in person or by telephone, and in good faith, in an effort to agree on
2 whether to include them as Class Members. If the Parties agree, such persons will
3 be Class Members entitled to the same rights as other Class Members, and the
4 Administrator will send, via email or overnight delivery, a Class Notice requiring
5 them to exercise options under this Agreement not later than fourteen (14) days
6 after receipt of Class Notice, or the deadline dates in the Class Notice, whichever is
7 later.

8 7.5. Requests for Exclusion (Opt-Outs).

9 7.5.1. Class Members who wish to exclude themselves (opt-out of) the Class Settlement
10 must send the Administrator, by fax, email, or mail, a signed written Request for
11 Exclusion not later than sixty (60) days after the Administrator mails the Class
12 Notice (plus an additional fourteen (14) days for Class Members whose Class
13 Notice is re-mailed). A Request for Exclusion is a letter from a Class Member or
14 his/her representative that reasonably communicates the Class Member's election
15 to be excluded from the Settlement and includes the Class Member's name,
16 address and email address or telephone number. To be valid, a Request for
17 Exclusion must be timely faxed, emailed, or postmarked by the Response
18 Deadline.

19 7.5.2. The Administrator may not reject a Request for Exclusion as invalid because it
20 fails to contain all the information specified in the Class Notice. The Administrator
21 shall accept any Request for Exclusion as valid if the Administrator can reasonably
22 ascertain the identity of the person as a Class Member and the Class Member's
23 desire to be excluded. The Administrator's determination shall be final and not
24 appealable or otherwise susceptible to challenge. If the Administrator has reason to
25 question the authenticity of a Request for Exclusion, the Administrator may
26 demand additional proof of the Class Member's identity. The Administrator's
27 determination of authenticity shall be final and not appealable or otherwise
28 susceptible to challenge.

1 7.5.3. Every Class Member who does not submit a timely and valid Request for
2 Exclusion is deemed to be a Participating Class Member under this Agreement,
3 entitled to all benefits and bound by all terms and conditions of the Settlement,
4 including the Participating Class Members' Releases under Paragraphs 5.2 and 5.3
5 of this Agreement, regardless of whether the Participating Class Member actually
6 receives the Class Notice or objects to the Settlement.

7 7.5.4. Every Class Member who submits a valid and timely Request for Exclusion is a
8 Non-Participating Class Member and shall not receive an Individual Class
9 Payment or have the right to object to the class action components of the
10 Settlement. Because future PAGA claims are subject to claim preclusion upon
11 entry of the Judgment, Non-Participating Class Members who are Aggrieved
12 Employees are deemed to release the claims identified in Paragraph 5.4 of this
13 Agreement and are eligible for an Individual PAGA Payment.

14 7.6. Challenges to Calculation of Workweeks. Each Class Member shall have sixty (60) days
15 after the Administrator mails the Class Notice (plus an additional fourteen (14) days for
16 Class Members whose Class Notice is re-mailed) to challenge the number of Class
17 Workweeks and PAGA Pay Periods (if any) allocated to the Class Member in the Class
18 Notice. The Class Member may challenge the allocation by communicating with the
19 Administrator via fax, electronic mail or U.S. mail. The Administrator must encourage the
20 challenging Class Member to submit supporting documentation. In the absence of any
21 contrary documentation, the Administrator is entitled to presume that the Workweeks
22 contained in the Class Notice are correct so long as they are consistent with the Class Data.
23 The Administrator's determination of each Class Member's allocation of Workweeks
24 and/or Pay Periods shall be final and not appealable or otherwise susceptible to challenge.
25 The Administrator shall promptly provide copies of all challenges to calculation of
26 Workweeks and/or Pay Periods to Defense Counsel and Class Counsel and the
27 Administrator's determination the challenges.

28 7.7. Objections to Settlement.

1 7.7.1. Only Participating Class Members may object to the class action components of
2 the Settlement and/or this Agreement, including contesting the fairness of the
3 Settlement, and/or amounts requested for the Class Counsel Fees Payment, Class
4 Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment and/or Class Representative Service
5 Payment.

6 7.7.2. Participating Class Members may send written objections to the Administrator by
7 fax, electronic mail, or U.S. mail. In the alternative, Participating Class Members
8 may appear in Court (or hire an attorney to appear in Court on their behalf) to
9 present verbal objections to the Court at the Final Approval Hearing. A
10 Participating Class Member who elects to send a written objection to the
11 Administrator must do so no later than sixty (60) days after the Administrator's
12 mailing of the Class Notice (plus an additional fourteen (14) days for Class
13 Members whose Class Notice was re-mailed).

14 7.7.3. Non-Participating Class Members have no right to object to any of the class action
15 components of the Settlement.

16 7.8. Administrator Duties. The Administrator has a duty to perform or observe all tasks to be
17 performed or observed by the Administrator contained in this Agreement or otherwise.

18 7.8.1. Website, Email Address and Toll-Free Number. The Administrator will establish,
19 maintain and use an internet website to post information of interest to Class
20 Members, including the date, time and location for the Final Approval Hearing and
21 copies of the Settlement Agreement, Motion for Preliminary Approval, the
22 Preliminary Approval, the Class Notice, the Motion for Final Approval, the Motion
23 for Class Counsel Fees Payment, Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment and
24 Class Representative Service Payment, the Final Approval and the Judgment. The
25 Administrator will also maintain and monitor an email address and a toll-free
26 telephone number to receive Class Member calls, faxes and emails.

27 7.8.2. Requests for Exclusion (Opt-outs) and Exclusion List. The Administrator will
28 promptly review on a rolling basis Requests for Exclusion to ascertain their

1 validity. Not later than five (5) days after the expiration of the deadline for
2 submitting Requests for Exclusion, the Administrator shall email a list to Class
3 Counsel and Defense Counsel containing (a) the names and other identifying
4 information of Class Members who have timely submitted valid Requests for
5 Exclusion (“Exclusion List”); (b) the names and other identifying information of
6 Class Members who have submitted invalid Requests for Exclusion; and (c) copies
7 of all Requests for Exclusion from Settlement submitted (whether valid or invalid).

8 7.8.3. Weekly Reports. The Administrator must, on a weekly basis, provide written
9 reports to Class Counsel and Defense Counsel that, among other things, tally the
10 number of: Class Notices mailed or re-mailed; Class Notices returned undelivered;
11 Requests for Exclusion (whether valid or invalid) received; objections received;
12 challenges to Workweeks and/or Pay Periods received and/or resolved; and checks
13 mailed for Individual Class Payments and Individual PAGA Payments (“Weekly
14 Report”). The Weekly Reports must include provide the Administrator’s
15 assessment of the validity of Requests for Exclusion and attach copies of all
16 Requests for Exclusion and objections received.

17 7.8.4. Workweek and/or Pay Period Challenges. The Administrator has the authority to
18 address and make final decisions consistent with the terms of this Agreement on all
19 Class Member challenges over the calculation of Workweeks and/or Pay Periods.
20 The Administrator’s decision shall be final and not appealable or otherwise
21 susceptible to challenge.

22 7.8.5. Administrator’s Declaration. Not later than fourteen (14) days before the date by
23 which Plaintiffs are required to file the Motion for Final Approval of the
24 Settlement, the Administrator will provide to Class Counsel and Defense Counsel,
25 a signed declaration suitable for filing in Court attesting to its due diligence and
26 compliance with all of its obligations under this Agreement, including, but not
27 limited to, its mailing of Class Notice; the Class Notices returned as undelivered;
28 the re-mailing of Class Notices; attempts to locate Class Members; the total

number of Requests for Exclusion from Settlement it received (both valid or invalid); the number of written objections and attach the Exclusion List. The Administrator will supplement its declaration as needed or requested by the Parties and/or the Court. Class Counsel is responsible for filing the Administrator's declaration(s) in Court.

7.8.6. Final Report by Settlement Administrator. Within ten (10) days after the Administrator disburses all funds from the Gross Settlement Amount, the Administrator will provide Class Counsel and Defense Counsel with a final report detailing its disbursements by employee identification number only of all payments made under this Agreement. At least fifteen (15) days before any deadline set by the Court, the Administrator will prepare, and submit to Class Counsel and Defense Counsel, a signed declaration suitable for filing in Court attesting to its disbursement of all payments required under this Agreement. Class Counsel is responsible for filing the Administrator's declaration in Court.

8. CLASS SIZE ESTIMATES and ESCALATOR CLAUSE Based on its records, Haliburton estimates that, as of January 3, 2024, there are 544 Class Members and 59,000 Total Workweeks during the Class period. In the event the number of Workweeks during the Class Period increases by more than ten percent (10%), or an additional 5,900 Workweeks, the Gross Settlement Amount shall be increased proportionally by the number of Workweeks in excess of 64,900 multiplied by the Workweek Value. The Workweek Value shall be calculated by dividing the Gross Settlement Amount by 59,000. The Parties agree that the Workweek Value amounts to and the settlement amounts to \$16.10 per Workweek (\$950,000/59,000 Workweeks). Thus, for example, should there be 65,000 Workweeks in the Class period, then the Gross Settlement Amount shall be increased by \$1,610.00 [(65,000 Workweeks – 64,900 Workweeks) * \$16.10/workweek]

1 **9. Haliburton's RIGHT TO WITHDRAW.** If the number of valid Requests for Exclusion
2 identified in the Exclusion List exceeds twenty percent (20%) of the total of all Class Members,
3 Haliburton may, but is not obligated to, elect to withdraw from the Settlement. The Parties agree
4 that if Haliburton withdraws, the Settlement shall be void *ab initio*, have no force or effect
5 whatsoever, and neither Party will have any further obligation to perform under this Agreement;
6 provided, however, Haliburton will remain responsible for paying all Settlement Administration
7 Expenses incurred to that point. Haliburton must notify Class Counsel and the Court of its election
8 to withdraw not later than seven (7) days after the Administrator sends the final Exclusion List to
9 Defense Counsel; late elections will have no effect.

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11 **10. MOTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL.** No later than sixteen (16) court days before the
12 calendared Final Approval Hearing, Plaintiffs will file in Court, a motion for final approval of the
13 Settlement that includes a request for approval of the PAGA settlement under Labor Code section
14 2699, subd. (l), a Proposed Final Approval Order and a proposed Judgment (collectively "Motion
15 for Final Approval"). Plaintiffs shall provide drafts of these documents to Defense Counsel no
16 later than seven (7) days prior to filing the Motion for Final Approval. Class Counsel and Defense
17 Counsel will expeditiously meet and confer in person or by telephone, and in good faith, to resolve
18 any disagreements concerning the Motion for Final Approval.

19 10.1. Response to Objections. Each Party retains the right to respond to any objection raised by
20 a Participating Class Member, including the right to file responsive documents in Court no
21 later than five court days prior to the Final Approval Hearing, or as otherwise ordered or
22 accepted by the Court.

23 10.2. Duty to Cooperate. If the Court does not grant Final Approval or conditions Final
24 Approval on any material change to the Settlement (including, but not limited to, the scope
25 of release to be granted by Class Members), the Parties will expeditiously work together in
26 good faith to address the Court's concerns by revising the Agreement as necessary to
27 obtain Final Approval. The Court's decision to award less than the amounts requested for
28 the Class Representative Service Payment, Class Counsel Fees Payment, Class Counsel

Litigation Expenses Payment and/or Administrator Expenses Payment shall not constitute a material modification to the Agreement within the meaning of this paragraph.

10.3. Continuing Jurisdiction of the Court. The Parties agree that pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 664.6, after entry of Judgment, the Court will retain jurisdiction over the Parties, Action, and the Settlement solely for purposes of (i) enforcing this Agreement and/or Judgment, (ii) addressing settlement administration matters, and (iii) addressing such post-Judgment matters as are permitted by law.

10.4. Waiver of Right to Appeal. Provided the Judgment is consistent with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, specifically including the Class Counsel Fees Payment and Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment reflected set forth in this Settlement, the Parties, their respective counsel, and all Participating Class Members who did not object to the Settlement as provided in this Agreement, waive all rights to appeal from the Judgment, including all rights to post-judgment and appellate proceedings, the right to file motions to vacate judgment, motions for new trial, extraordinary writs, and appeals. The waiver of appeal does not include any waiver of the right to oppose such motions, writs or appeals. If an objector appeals the Judgment, the Parties' obligations to perform under this Agreement will be suspended until such time as the appeal is fully and finally resolved and the Judgment becomes final, except as to matters that do not affect the amount of the Net Settlement Amount.

10.5. Appellate Court Orders to Vacate, Reverse, or Materially Modify Judgment. If the reviewing Court vacates, reverses, or modifies the Judgment in a manner that requires a material modification of this Agreement (including, but not limited to, the scope of release to be granted by Class Members), this Agreement shall be null and void. The Parties shall nevertheless expeditiously work together in good faith to address the appellate court's concerns and to obtain Final Approval and entry of Judgment, sharing, on a 50-50 basis, any additional Administration Expenses reasonably incurred after remittitur. An appellate decision to vacate, reverse, or modify the Court's award of the Class Representative Service Payment or any payments to Class Counsel shall not constitute a material

modification of the Judgment within the meaning of this paragraph, as long as the Gross Settlement Amount remains unchanged.

11. AMENDED JUDGMENT. If any amended judgment regarding residuals is required under California Code of Civil Procedure section 384, the Parties will work together in good faith to jointly submit a proposed amended judgment.

12. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS.

12.1. No Admission of Liability, Class Certification or Representative Manageability for Other Purposes. This Agreement represents a compromise and settlement of highly disputed claims. Nothing in this Agreement is intended or should be construed as an admission by Haliburton that any of the allegations in the Operative Complaint have merit or that Haliburton has any liability for any claims asserted; nor should it be intended or construed as an admission by Plaintiffs that Haliburton's defenses in the Action have merit. The Parties agree that class certification and representative treatment is for purposes of this Settlement only. If, for any reason the Court does grant Preliminary Approval, Final Approval or enter Judgment, Haliburton reserves the right to contest certification of any class for any reasons, and Haliburton reserves all available defenses to the claims in the Action, and Plaintiffs reserve the right to move for class certification on any grounds available and to contest Haliburton's defenses. The Settlement, this Agreement and the Parties' willingness to settle the Action will have no bearing on, and will not be admissible in connection with, any litigation (except for proceedings to enforce or effectuate the Settlement and this Agreement).

12.2. Confidentiality Prior to Preliminary Approval. Plaintiffs, Class Counsel, Haliburton and Defense Counsel separately agree that until the Motion for Preliminary Approval of Settlement is filed, they and each of them will not disclose, disseminate and/or publicize, or cause or permit another person to disclose, disseminate or publicize, any of the terms of the Agreement directly or indirectly, specifically or generally, to any person, corporation,

1 association, government agency, or other entity except: (1) to the Parties' attorneys,
2 accountants, or spouses, all of whom will be instructed to keep this Agreement
3 confidential; (2) counsel in a related matter; (3) to the extent necessary to report income to
4 appropriate taxing authorities; (4) in response to a court order or subpoena; or (5) in
5 response to an inquiry or subpoena issued by a state or federal government agency. Each
6 Party agrees to immediately notify each other Party of any judicial or agency order,
7 inquiry, or subpoena seeking such information. Plaintiffs, Class Counsel, Haliburton and
8 Defense Counsel separately agree not to, directly or indirectly, initiate any conversation or
9 other communication, before the filing of the Motion for Preliminary Approval, any with
10 third party regarding this Agreement or the matters giving rise to this Agreement except to
11 respond only that "the matter was resolved," or words to that effect. This paragraph does
12 not restrict Class Counsel's communications with Class Members in accordance with Class
13 Counsel's ethical obligations owed to Class Members.

14 12.3. No Solicitation. The Parties separately agree that they and their respective counsel and
15 employees will not solicit any Class Member to opt out of or object to the Settlement, or
16 appeal from the Judgment. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to restrict Class
17 Counsel's ability to communicate with Class Members in accordance with Class Counsel's
18 ethical obligations owed to Class Members.

19 12.4. Integrated Agreement. Upon execution by all Parties and their counsel, this Agreement
20 together with its attached exhibits shall constitute the entire agreement between the Parties
21 relating to the Settlement, superseding any and all oral representations, warranties,
22 covenants, or inducements made to or by any Party.

23 12.5. Attorney Authorization. Class Counsel and Defense Counsel separately warrant and
24 represent that they are authorized by Plaintiffs and Haliburton, respectively, to take all
25 appropriate action required or permitted to be taken by such Parties pursuant to this
26 Agreement to effectuate its terms, and to execute any other documents reasonably required
27 to effectuate the terms of this Agreement including any amendments to this Agreement.

28 12.6. Cooperation. The Parties and their counsel will cooperate with each other and use their

best efforts, in good faith, to implement the Settlement by, among other things, modifying the Settlement Agreement, submitting supplemental evidence and supplementing points and authorities as requested by the Court. In the event the Parties are unable to agree upon the form or content of any document necessary to implement the Settlement, or on any modification of the Agreement that may become necessary to implement the Settlement, the Parties will seek the assistance of a mediator and/or the Court for resolution.

12.7. No Prior Assignments. The Parties separately represent and warrant that they have not directly or indirectly assigned, transferred, encumbered, or purported to assign, transfer, or encumber to any person or entity and portion of any liability, claim, demand, action, cause of action, or right released and discharged by the Party in this Settlement.

12.8. No Tax Advice. Neither Plaintiffs, Class Counsel, Haliburton nor Defense Counsel are providing any advice regarding taxes or taxability, nor shall anything in this Settlement be relied upon as such within the meaning of United States Treasury Department Circular 230 (31 CFR Part 10, as amended) or otherwise.

12.9. Modification of Agreement. This Agreement, and all parts of it, may be amended, modified, changed, or waived only by an express written instrument signed by all Parties or their representatives, and approved by the Court.

12.10. Agreement Binding on Successors. This Agreement will be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the successors of each of the Parties.

12.11. Applicable Law. All terms and conditions of this Agreement and its exhibits will be governed by and interpreted according to the laws of the state of California, without regard to conflict of law principles.

12.12. Cooperation in Drafting. The Parties have cooperated in the drafting and preparation of this Agreement. This Agreement will not be construed against any Party on the basis that the Party was the drafter or participated in the drafting.

12.13. Confidentiality. To the extent permitted by law, all agreements made, and orders entered during Action and in this Agreement relating to the confidentiality of information shall survive the execution of this Agreement.

1 12.14. Use and Return of Class Data. Information provided to Class Counsel pursuant to
2 California Evidence Code § 1152, and all copies and summaries of the Class Data
3 provided to Class Counsel by Haliburton in connection with the mediation, other
4 settlement negotiations, or in connection with the Settlement, may be used only with
5 respect to this Settlement, and no other purpose, and may not be used in any way that
6 violates any existing contractual agreement, statute, or rule of court. Not later than ninety
7 (90) days after the date when the Court discharges the Administrator's obligation to
8 provide a Declaration confirming the final pay out of all Settlement funds, Plaintiffs shall
9 destroy, all paper and electronic versions of Class Data received from Haliburton unless,
10 prior to the Court's discharge of the Administrator's obligation, Haliburton makes a written
11 request to Class Counsel for the return, rather than the destructions, of Class Data.

12 12.15. Headings. The descriptive heading of any section or paragraph of this Agreement is
13 inserted for convenience of reference only and does not constitute a part of this
14 Agreement.

15 12.16. Calendar Days. Unless otherwise noted, all reference to "days" in this Agreement shall be
16 to calendar days. In the event any date or deadline set forth in this Agreement falls on a
17 weekend or federal legal holiday, such date or deadline shall be on the first business day
18 thereafter.

19 12.17. Notice. All notices, demands or other communications between the Parties in connection
20 with this Agreement will be in writing and deemed to have been duly given as of the third
21 business day after mailing by United States mail, or the day sent by email or messenger,
22 addressed as follows:

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24 To Plaintiffs:

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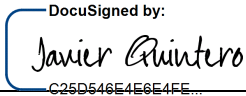
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20 12.18. Execution in Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts
21 by facsimile, electronically (i.e. DocuSign), or email which for purposes of this Agreement
22 shall be accepted as an original. All executed counterparts and each of them will be
23 deemed to be one and the same instrument if counsel for the Parties will exchange between
24 themselves signed counterparts. Any executed counterpart will be admissible in evidence
25 to prove the existence and contents of this Agreement.

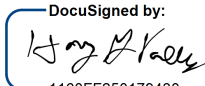
26 12.19. Stay of Litigation. The Parties agree that upon the execution of this Agreement, the
27 litigation of this Action shall be stayed, except to effectuate the terms of this Agreement.
28 The Parties further agree that upon the signing of this Agreement that pursuant to
California Code of Civil Procedure section 583.330 to extend the date to bring a case to
trial under Code of Civil Procedure section 583.310 for the entire period of this settlement
process.

Plaintiffs & Class Representatives:

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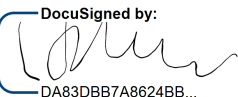
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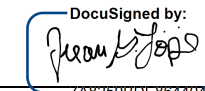
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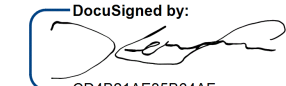
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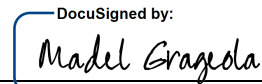
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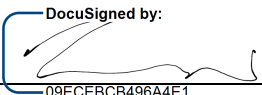
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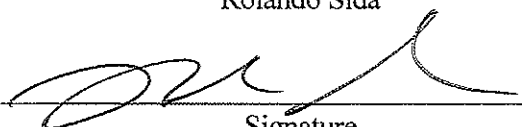
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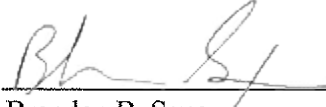
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EXHIBIT A

**COURT APPROVED NOTICE OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AND HEARING DATE FOR
FINAL COURT APPROVAL**

Javier Quintero et al. v. Haliburton International Foods, Inc., et al.,

San Bernardino County Superior Court, Case No. CIVDS1917709;

Ruben Salazar v. Haliburton International Foods, Inc., San Bernardino County Superior Court, CIVDS201826656

*The Superior Court for the State of California authorized this Notice. Read it carefully!
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You may be eligible to receive money from an employee class action lawsuit (“Action”) against Haliburton International Foods, Inc. (“Haliburton”) for alleged wage and hour violations. The Action was filed by a former Haliburton employees Javier Quintero, Harry Valles, Hector Rivera, Joshua Aguilar, Juan Gerardo Lopez Macedo, Kevin Fisher, Madel Grageola, and Ruben Salazar (“Plaintiffs”) and seeks payment of (1) back wages and other relief for a class of non-exempt, hourly-paid employees (“Class Members”) who worked for Haliburton, either directly or through any subsidiary, staffing agency, joint venture or professional employer organization, during the Class Period (May 9, 2018 to January 31, 2024); and (2) penalties under the California Private Attorney General Act (“PAGA”) for all persons currently or formerly employed by Haliburton, either directly or through any subsidiary, staffing agency, joint venture or professional employer organization, as a non-exempt, hourly paid employee during the PAGA Period (May 9, 2018 to January 31, 2024) (“Aggrieved Employees”).

The proposed Settlement has two main parts: (1) a Class Settlement requiring Haliburton to fund Individual Class Payments, and (2) a PAGA Settlement requiring Haliburton to fund Individual PAGA Payments and pay penalties to the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency (“LWDA”).

Based on Haliburton’s records, and the Parties’ current assumptions, **your Individual Class Payment is estimated to be \$ [REDACTED] (less withholding) and your Individual PAGA Payment is estimated to be \$ [REDACTED]**. The actual amount you may receive likely will be different and will depend on a number of factors. (If no amount is stated for your Individual PAGA Payment, then according to Haliburton’s records you are not eligible for an Individual PAGA Payment under the Settlement because you didn’t work during the PAGA Period.)

The above estimates are based on Haliburton’s records showing that **you worked [REDACTED] workweeks** during the Class Period and **you worked [REDACTED] workweeks** during the PAGA Period. If you believe that you worked more workweeks during either period, you can submit a challenge by the deadline date. See Section 4 of this Notice.

The Court has already preliminarily approved the proposed Settlement and approved this Notice. The Court has not yet decided whether to grant final approval. Your legal rights are affected whether you act or not act. Read this Notice carefully. You will be deemed to have carefully read and understood it. At the Final Approval Hearing, the Court will decide whether to finally approve the Settlement and how much of the Settlement will be paid to Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs’ attorneys (“Class Counsel”). The Court will also decide whether to enter a judgment that requires Haliburton to make payments under the Settlement and requires Class Members and Aggrieved Employees to give up their rights to assert certain claims against Haliburton.

If you worked for Haliburton during the Class Period and/or the PAGA Period, you have two basic options under the Settlement:

- (1) **Do Nothing.** You don’t have to do anything to participate in the proposed Settlement and be eligible for an Individual Class Payment and/or an Individual PAGA Payment. As a Participating Class Member, though, you will give up your right to assert Class Period wage claims and PAGA Period penalty claims against Haliburton.
- (2) **Opt-Out of the Class Settlement.** You can exclude yourself from the Class Settlement (opt-out) by submitting the written Request for Exclusion or otherwise notifying the Administrator in writing. If you opt-out of the Settlement, you will not receive an Individual Class Payment. You will, however, preserve your right to personally pursue Class Period wage claims against Haliburton, and, if you are an Aggrieved Employee, remain eligible for an Individual PAGA Payment. You cannot opt-out of the PAGA portion of the proposed Settlement.

Haliburton will not retaliate against you for any actions you take with respect to the proposed Settlement.

SUMMARY OF YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS IN THIS SETTLEMENT

You Don't Have to Do Anything to Participate in the Settlement	If you do nothing, you will be a Participating Class Member, eligible for an Individual Class Payment and an Individual PAGA Payment (if any). In exchange, you will give up your right to assert the wage claims against Haliburton that are covered by this Settlement (Released Claims).
You Can Opt-out of the Class Settlement but not the PAGA Settlement The Opt-out Deadline is [REDACTED]	If you don't want to fully participate in the proposed Settlement, you can opt-out of the Class Settlement by sending the Administrator a written Request for Exclusion. Once excluded, you will be a Non-Participating Class Member and no longer eligible for an Individual Class Payment. Non-Participating Class Members cannot object to any portion of the proposed Settlement. See Section 6 of this Notice. You cannot opt-out of the PAGA portion of the proposed Settlement. Haliburton must pay Individual PAGA Payments to all Aggrieved Employees and the Aggrieved Employees must give up their rights to pursue Released Claims (defined below).
Participating Class Members Can Object to the Class Settlement but not the PAGA Settlement Written Objections Must be Submitted by [REDACTED]	All Class Members who do not opt-out ("Participating Class Members") can object to any aspect of the proposed Settlement. The Court's decision whether to finally approve the Settlement will include a determination of how much will be paid to Class Counsel and Plaintiffs who pursued the Action on behalf of the Class. You are not personally responsible for any payments to Class Counsel or Plaintiffs, but every dollar paid to Class Counsel and Plaintiffs reduces the overall amount paid to Participating Class Members. You can object to the amounts requested by Class Counsel or Plaintiffs if you think they are unreasonable. See Section 7 of this Notice.
You Can Participate in the [REDACTED] Final Approval Hearing	The Court's Final Approval Hearing is scheduled to take place on [REDACTED]. You don't have to attend but you do have the right to appear (or hire an attorney to appear on your behalf at your own cost), in person, by telephone or by using the Court's virtual appearance platform. Participating Class Members can verbally object to the Settlement at the Final Approval Hearing. See Section 8 of this Notice.
You Can Challenge the Calculation of Your Workweeks/Pay Periods Written Challenges Must be Submitted by [REDACTED]	The amount of your Individual Class Payment and PAGA Payment (if any) depend on how many workweeks you worked at least one day during the Class Period and how many Pay Periods you worked at least one day during the PAGA Period, respectively. The number Class Period Workweeks and number of PAGA Period Pay Periods you worked according to Haliburton's records is stated on the first page of this Notice. If you disagree with either of these numbers, you must challenge it by [REDACTED]. See Section 4 of this Notice.

1. WHAT IS THE ACTION ABOUT?

Plaintiffs are former Haliburton employees. The Actions accuse Haliburton of violating California labor laws by failing to pay overtime wages, minimum wages, wages due upon termination and reimbursable expenses and failing to provide meal periods, rest breaks and accurate itemized wage statements. Based on the same claims, Plaintiffs have also asserted a claim for civil penalties under the California Private Attorneys General Act (Labor Code §§ 2698, et seq.) ("PAGA"). Plaintiffs are represented by attorneys in the Action: Shoham Solouki of Solouki and Savoy LLP, and Kane Moon, Allen Feghali, and Hyunjin Kim of Moon Law Group ("Class Counsel.")

Haliburton strongly denies violating any laws or failing to pay any wages and contends it complied with all applicable laws.

2. WHAT DOES IT MEAN THAT THE ACTION HAS SETTLED?

So far, the Court has made no determination whether Haliburton or the Plaintiffs are correct on the merits. In the meantime, Plaintiffs and Haliburton hired an experienced, neutral mediator, Steve Rottman, Esq. in an effort to resolve the Action by negotiating an to end the case by agreement (settle the case) rather than continuing the expensive and time-consuming process of litigation. The negotiations were successful. By signing a lengthy written settlement agreement (“Agreement”) and agreeing to jointly ask the Court to enter a judgment ending the Action and enforcing the Agreement, Plaintiffs and Haliburton have negotiated a proposed Settlement that is subject to the Court’s Final Approval. Both sides agree the proposed Settlement is a compromise of disputed claims. By agreeing to settle, Haliburton does not admit any violations or concede the merit of any claims.

Plaintiffs and Class Counsel strongly believe the Settlement is a good deal for you because they believe that: (1) Haliburton has agreed to pay a fair, reasonable and adequate amount considering the strength of the claims and the risks and uncertainties of continued litigation; and (2) Settlement is in the best interests of the Class Members and Aggrieved Employees. The Court preliminarily approved the proposed Settlement as fair, reasonable and adequate, authorized this Notice, and scheduled a hearing to determine Final Approval.

3. WHAT ARE THE IMPORTANT TERMS OF THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT?

1. Haliburton Will Pay \$950,000.00 as the Gross Settlement Amount (Gross Settlement). Haliburton has agreed to deposit the Gross Settlement into an account controlled by the Administrator of the Settlement. The Administrator will use the Gross Settlement to pay the Individual Class Payments, Individual PAGA Payments, Class Representative Service Payment, Class Counsel’s attorney’s fees and expenses, the Administrator’s expenses, and penalties to be paid to the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency (“LWDA”). Assuming the Court grants Final Approval, Haliburton will fund the Gross Settlement not more than 14 days after the Judgment entered by the Court become final. The Judgment will be final on the date the Court enters Judgment, or a later date if Participating Class Members object to the proposed Settlement or the Judgment is appealed.
2. Court Approved Deductions from Gross Settlement. At the Final Approval Hearing, Plaintiffs and/or Class Counsel will ask the Court to approve the following deductions from the Gross Settlement, the amounts of which will be decided by the Court at the Final Approval Hearing:
 - A. Up to \$ 332,500.00 (35% of the Gross Settlement) to Class Counsel for attorneys’ fees and up to \$60,000 for their litigation expenses. To date, Class Counsel have worked and incurred expenses on the Action without payment.
 - B. Up to \$5,000.00 to each Plaintiffs (for a total of \$40,000.00) as a Class Representative Award for filing the Action, working with Class Counsel and representing the Class. A Class Representative Award will be the only monies Plaintiffs will receive other than their Individual Class Payment and any Individual PAGA Payment.
 - C. Up to \$15,000.00 to the Administrator for services administering the Settlement.
 - D. Up to \$80,000.00 for PAGA Penalties, allocated 75% to the LWDAPAGA Payment and 25% in Individual PAGA Payments to the Aggrieved Employees based on their PAGA Period Pay Periods.

Participating Class Members have the right to object to any of these deductions. The Court will consider all objections.

3. Net Settlement Distributed to Class Members. After making the above deductions in amounts approved by the Court, the Administrator will distribute the rest of the Gross Settlement (the “Net Settlement”) by making Individual Class Payments to Participating Class Members based on their Class Period Workweeks.
4. Taxes Owed on Payments to Class Members. Plaintiffs and Haliburton are asking the Court to approve an allocation of 20 % of each Individual Class Payment to taxable wages (“Wage Portion”) and 80% to interest and penalties (“Non-Wage Portion”). The Wage Portion is subject to withholdings and will be reported on IRS W-2 Forms. Haliburton will separately pay employer payroll taxes it owes on the Wage portion. The Individual PAGA Payments are counted as penalties rather than wages for tax purposes. The Administrator will report the Individual PAGA Payments and the Non-Wage Portions of the Individual Class Payments on IRS 1099 Forms.

Although Plaintiffs and Haliburton have agreed to these allocations, neither side is giving you any advice on whether your Payments are taxable or how much you might owe in taxes. You are responsible for paying all taxes (including penalties and interest on back taxes) on any Payments received from the proposed Settlement. You should consult a tax advisor if you have any questions about the tax consequences of the proposed Settlement.

5. Need to Promptly Cash Payment Checks. The front of every check issued for Individual Class Payments and Individual PAGA Payments will show the date when the check expires (the void date). If you don’t cash it by the void date, your check will be automatically cancelled, and the monies

☐ will be deposited with the California Controller's Unclaimed Property Fund in your name.

If the monies represented by your check is sent to the Controller’s Unclaimed Property, you should consult the rules of the Fund for instructions on how to retrieve your money.

6. Requests for Exclusion from the Class Settlement (Opt-Outs). You will be treated as a Participating Class Member, participating fully in the Class Settlement, unless you notify the Administrator in writing, not later than [REDACTED], that you wish to opt-out. The easiest way to notify the Administrator is to send a written and signed Request for Exclusion by the [REDACTED] Response Deadline. The Request for Exclusion should be a letter from a Class Member or his/her representative setting forth a Class Member’s name, present address, telephone number, and a simple statement electing to be excluded from the Settlement. Excluded Class Members (i.e., Non-Participating Class Members) will not receive Individual Class Payments, but will preserve their rights to personally pursue wage and hour claims against Haliburton.

You cannot opt-out of the PAGA portion of the Settlement. Class Members who exclude themselves from the Class Settlement (Non-Participating Class Members) remain eligible for Individual PAGA Payments and are required to give up their right to assert PAGA claims against Haliburton based on the PAGA Period facts alleged in the Action.

7. The Proposed Settlement Will be Void if the Court Denies Final Approval. It is possible the Court will decline to grant Final Approval of the Settlement or decline enter a Judgment. It is also possible the Court will enter a Judgment that is reversed on appeal. Plaintiffs and Haliburton have agreed that, in either case, the Settlement will be void: Haliburton will not pay any money and Class Members will not release any claims against Haliburton.

8. Administrator. The Court has appointed a neutral company, Phoenix Class Action Administration Solutions (the “Administrator”) to send this Notice, calculate and make payments, and process Class Members’ Requests for Exclusion. The Administrator will also decide Class Member Challenges over Workweeks, mail and re-mail settlement checks and tax forms, and perform other tasks necessary to administer the Settlement. The Administrator’s contact information is contained in Section 9 of this Notice.
9. Participating Class Members’ Release. After the Judgment is final and Haliburton has fully funded the Gross Settlement (and separately paid all employer payroll taxes), Participating Class Members will be legally barred from asserting any of the claims released under the Settlement. This means that unless you opted out by validly excluding yourself from the Class Settlement, you cannot sue, continue to sue, or be part of any other lawsuit against Haliburton or related entities for wages based on the Class Period facts and PAGA penalties based on PAGA Period facts, as alleged in the Action and resolved by this Settlement.

The Participating Class Members will be bound by the following release:

All Participating Class Members, on behalf of themselves and their respective former and present representatives, agents, attorneys, heirs, administrators, successors, and assigns, release Released Parties (which include, Haliburton, and each of its former and present directors, officers, employees, shareholders, principals, agents, owners, members, attorneys, insurers, predecessors, successors, assigns, subsidiaries, affiliates) from (i) all claims that were alleged, or reasonably could have been alleged, based on the Class Period facts stated in the Operative Complaint and ascertained in the course of the Action including, any and all claims involving: (1) failure to pay minimum and straight time wages; (2) failure to pay overtime wages; (3) failure to provide meal periods; (4) failure to authorize and permit rest periods; (5) failure to indemnify necessary business expenses; (6) failure to timely pay final wages at termination; (7) failure to provide accurate itemized wage statements; (8) unfair business practices; and (9) PAGA. Except as set forth in Section 5.3 of the Settlement Agreement, Participating Class Members do not release any other claims, including claims for vested benefits, wrongful termination, violation of the Fair Employment and Housing Act, unemployment insurance, disability, social security, workers’ compensation, or claims based on facts occurring outside the Class Period.

10. Aggrieved Employees’ PAGA Release. After the Court’s judgment is final, and Haliburton has paid the Gross Settlement (and separately paid the employer-side payroll taxes), all Aggrieved Employees will be barred from asserting PAGA claims against Haliburton, whether or not they exclude themselves from the Settlement. This means that all Aggrieved Employees, including those who are Participating Class Members and those who opt-out of the Class Settlement, cannot sue, continue to sue, or participate in any other PAGA claim against Haliburton or its related entities based on the PAGA Period facts alleged in the Action and resolved by this Settlement.

The Aggrieved Employees’ Releases for Participating and Non-Participating Class Members are as follows:

All Participating and Non-Participating Class Members who are Aggrieved Employees are deemed to release, on behalf of themselves and their respective former and present representatives, agents, attorneys, heirs, administrators, successors, and assigns, the Released Parties (which include, Haliburton, and each of its former and present directors, officers, employees, shareholders, principals, agents, owners, members, attorneys, insurers, predecessors, successors, assigns, subsidiaries, affiliates), from all claims for PAGA penalties that were alleged, or reasonably could have been alleged, based on the PAGA

Period facts stated in the Operative Complaint, the PAGA Notice, and ascertained in the course of the Action, including any and all claims involving: (1) failure to pay minimum and straight time wages; (2) failure to pay overtime wages; (3) failure to provide meal periods; (4) failure to authorize and permit rest periods; (5) failure to indemnify necessary business expenses; (6) failure to timely pay final wages at termination; (7) failure to provide accurate itemized wage statements; (8) unfair business practices; and (9) PAGA.

4.HOW WILL THE ADMINISTRATOR CALCULATE MY PAYMENT?

1. Individual Class Payments. The Administrator will calculate Individual Class Payments by (a) dividing the Net Settlement Amount by the total number of Workweeks worked by all Participating Class Members, and (b) multiplying the result by the number of Workweeks worked by each individual Participating Class Member.
2. Individual PAGA Payments. The Administrator will calculate Individual PAGA Payments by (a) dividing \$20,000.00 by the total number of PAGA Pay Periods worked by all Aggrieved Employees and (b) multiplying the result by the number of PAGA Period Pay Periods worked by each individual Aggrieved Employee.
3. Workweek/Pay Period Challenges. The number of Class Workweeks you worked during the Class Period and the number of PAGA Pay Periods you worked during the PAGA Period, as recorded in Haliburton's records, are stated in the first page of this Notice. You have until [REDACTED] to challenge the number of Workweeks and/or Pay Periods credited to you. You can submit your challenge by signing and sending a letter to the Administrator via mail, email or fax. Section 9 of this Notice has the Administrator's contact information.

You need to support your challenge by sending copies of pay stubs or other records. The Administrator will accept Haliburton's calculation of Workweeks and/or Pay Periods based on Haliburton's records as accurate unless you send copies of records containing contrary information. You should send copies rather than originals because the documents will not be returned to you. The Administrator will resolve Workweek and/or Pay Period challenges based on your submission and on input from Class Counsel (who will advocate on behalf of Participating Class Members) and Haliburton's Counsel. The Administrator's decision is final. You can't appeal or otherwise challenge its final decision.

5. HOW WILL I GET PAID?

1. Participating Class Members. The Administrator will send, by U.S. mail, a single check to every Participating Class Member (i.e., every Class Member who doesn't opt-out) including those who also qualify as Aggrieved Employees. The single check will combine the Individual Class Payment and the Individual PAGA Payment.
2. Non-Participating Class Members. The Administrator will send, by U.S. mail, a single Individual PAGA Payment check to every Aggrieved Employee who opts out of the Class Settlement (i.e., every Non-Participating Class Member).

Your check will be sent to the same address as this Notice. If you change your address, be sure to notify the Administrator as soon as possible. Section 9 of this Notice has the Administrator's contact information.

6. HOW DO I OPT-OUT OF THE CLASS SETTLEMENT?

To opt-out of the Class Settlement, you must submit a written and signed letter with your name, present address, telephone number, and a simple statement that you do not want to participate in the Settlement. The Administrator will exclude you based on any writing communicating your request be excluded. Be sure to personally sign your request, identify the Action as *HALIBURTON INTERNATIONAL FOODS, INC. SETTLEMENT*, and include your identifying information (full name, address, telephone number, approximate dates of employment, and social security number for verification purposes). You must make the request yourself. If someone else makes the request for you, it will not be valid. **The Administrator must be sent your request to be excluded by [REDACTED], or it will be invalid.** Section 9 of the Notice has the Administrator's contact information.

7. HOW DO I OBJECT TO THE SETTLEMENT?

Only Participating Class Members have the right to object to the Settlement. Before deciding whether to object, you may wish to see what Plaintiffs and Haliburton are asking the Court to approve. At least 16 court days before the [REDACTED] Final Approval Hearing, Class Counsel and/or Plaintiffs will file in Court (1) a Motion for Final Approval that includes, among other things, the reasons why the proposed Settlement is fair, and (2) a Motion for Fees, Litigation Expenses and Service Award stating (i) the amount Class Counsel is requesting for attorneys' fees and litigation expenses; and (ii) the amount Plaintiffs are requesting as a Class Representative Service Award. Upon reasonable request, Class Counsel (whose contact information is in Section 9 of this Notice) will send you copies of these documents at no cost to you. You can also view them on the Administrator's Website [REDACTED] or the Court's website [REDACTED]

A Participating Class Member who disagrees with any aspect of the Agreement, the Motion for Final Approval and/or Motion for Fees, Litigation Expenses and Service Award may wish to object, for example, that the proposed Settlement is unfair, or that the amounts requested by Class Counsel or Plaintiffs are too high or too low. **The deadline for sending written objections to the Administrator is [REDACTED].** Be sure to tell the Administrator what you object to, why you object, and any facts that support your objection. Make sure you identify the Action *HALIBURTON INTERNATIONAL FOODS, INC. SETTLEMENT* and include your name, current address, telephone number, and approximate dates of employment for Haliburton and sign the objection. Section 9 of this Notice has the Administrator's contact information.

Alternatively, a Participating Class Member can object (or personally retain a lawyer to object at your own cost) by attending the Final Approval Hearing. You (or your attorney) should be ready to tell the Court what you object to, why you object, and any facts that support your objection. See Section 8 of this Notice (immediately below) for specifics regarding the Final Approval Hearing.

8. CAN I ATTEND THE FINAL APPROVAL HEARING?

You can, but don't have to, attend the Final Approval Hearing on [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] in Department S26 of the San Bernardino County Superior Court, located at 247 West Third Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415. At the Hearing, the judge will decide whether to grant Final Approval of the Settlement and how much of the Gross Settlement will be paid to Class Counsel, Plaintiffs, and the Administrator. The Court will invite comment from objectors, Class Counsel and Defense Counsel before making a decision. You can attend (or hire a lawyer to attend) either personally or virtually via LACourtConnect (<https://www.lacourt.org/lacc/>). Check the Court's website for the most current information.

It's possible the Court will reschedule the Final Approval Hearing. You should check the Administrator's website [REDACTED] beforehand or contact Class Counsel to verify the date and time of the Final Approval Hearing.

9. HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

The Agreement sets forth everything Haliburton and Plaintiffs have promised to do under the proposed Settlement. The easiest way to read the Agreement, the Judgment or any other Settlement documents is to go to _____'s website at _____. You can also telephone or send an email to Class Counsel or the Administrator using the contact information listed below, or consult the Superior Court website by going to (<https://www.sb-court.org/>) and entering the Case Number for the Action, Case No. CIVDS1917709 and CIVDS2018265.

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10. WHAT IF I LOSE MY SETTLEMENT CHECK?

If you lose or misplace your settlement check before cashing it, the Administrator will replace it as long as you request a replacement before the void date on the face of the original check. If your check is already void

you should consult the Unclaimed Property Fund _____ for instructions on how to retrieve the funds

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11. WHAT IF I CHANGE MY ADDRESS?

To receive your check, you should immediately notify the Administrator if you move or otherwise change your mailing address.