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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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APPEAL FROM RICHLAND COUNTY
In the Court of Common Pleas
The Honorable Jean H. Toal, Circuit Court Judge

Civil Action No. 2023-CP-40-01759
Appellate Case No. 2025-002104

JOHN A. TIBBS and MARGARET B. TIBBS.....*Plaintiffs,*

v.

3M COMPANY; 4520 CORP., INC.; A.O. SMITH CORPORATION; A.W. CHESTERTON COMPANY; ABB INC.; AIR & LIQUID SYSTEMS CORPORATION; AIW-2010 WIND DOWN CORP.; AMENTUM ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY, INC.; ANCHOR/DARLING VALVE COMPANY; ARMSTRONG INTERNATIONAL, INC.; ASBESTOS CORPORATION LIMITED ASCO, L.P.; ATLAS ASBESTOS Co.; ATLAS TURNER, INC.; AWT AIR COMPANY, INC.; BAHNSON, INC.; BANNER INDUSTRIES INTERNATIONAL, INC.; BANNER INDUSTRIES, LLC; BANNER INDUSTRIES OF N.E., INC.; BARRETT'S MINERALS INC.; BEATY INVESTMENTS, INC.; BECHTEL CORPORATION; THE BONITZ COMPANY; BRAND INSULATIONS, INC.; BW/IP INC.; CANVAS CT, LLC; CAPE PLC; CARBOLINE COMPANY; CB&I LAURENS, INC.; CLEAVER-BROOKS, INC.; CONSOLIDATED ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS, INC.; COPES-VULCAN, INC.; COVIL CORPORATION; CRANE INSTRUMENTATION & SAMPLING, INC.; CROSBY VALVE, LLC; DANIEL INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION; DAVIS MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC.; DEZURIK, INC.; DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC; DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION; EATON CORPORATION; ELLINGTON INSULATION COMPANY, INC.; EMERSON ELECTRIC Co.; FISHER CONTROLS INTERNATIONAL LLC; FLAME REFRACTORIES, INC.; FLOWSERVE CORPORATION; FLOWSERVE US INC.; FLUOR CONSTRUCTORS INTERNATIONAL; FLUOR CONSTRUCTORS INTERNATIONAL, INC.; FLUOR DANIEL SERVICES; FLUOR ENTERPRISES, INC.; FMC CORPORATION; FOSTER WHEELER ENERGY CORPORATION; GARDNER DENVER NASH, LLC; GENERAL BOILER CASING COMPANY, INC.; GENERAL CABLE CORPORATION; GENERAL CABLE INDUSTRIES, INC.; GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY; GOULD ELECTRONICS INC.; GOULDS PUMPS, INCORPORATED; GOULDS PUMPS LLC; GREAT BARRIER INSULATION Co.; GRINNELL LLC; HAJOCA CORPORATION; HOWDEN NORTH AMERICA INC.; HPC INDUSTRIAL SERVICES, LLC; IMO INDUSTRIES INC.; ITT LLC; JOY GLOBAL UNDERGROUND MINING LLC; K-MAC SERVICES INCORPORATED; METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY; MINE SAFETY APPLIANCES COMPANY, LLC; MP SUPPLY, INC.; THE NASH ENGINEERING COMPANY; OCCIDENTAL CHEMICAL CORPORATION; PARAMOUNT GLOBAL; PATTERSON PUMP COMPANY; PECW HOLDING COMPANY; PFIZER INC.; PIEDMONT INSULATION, INC.; PLASTICS ENGINEERING COMPANY; PRESNELL INSULATION Co., INC.; REDCO CORPORATION; RILEY POWER INC.; ROCKWELL AUTOMATION, INC.; RSCC WIRE & CABLE LLC; SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC USA, INC.; SEQUOIA VENTURES INC.; SPIRAX SARCO, INCL; SPX CORPORATION; STAFFORD INSULATION COMPANY; STANDARD

INSULATION COMPANY OF N.C., INC.; STARR DAVIS COMPANY, INC.; STARR DAVIS COMPANY OF S.C., INC.; STERLING FLUID SYSTEMS (USA) LLC; TE WIRE & CABLE, LLC; THERMO ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC.; UNION CARBIDE CORPORATION; VALVES AND CONTROLS US, INC.; VELAN VALVE CORP.; VIKING PUMP, INC; VISTRA INTERMEDIATE COMPANY LLC; THE WILLIAM POWELL COMPANY; WIND UP, LTD.; YUBA HEAT TRANSFER LLC; and ZURN INDUSTRIES, LLC, *Defendants,*

and

CAPE PLC, individually and as successor in interest to CAPE ASBESTOS COMPANY LIMITED, by and through its duly appointed RECEIVER PETER D. PROTOPAPAS,.....*Third-Party Plaintiff/Respondent,*

v.

ANGLO AMERICAN PLC, individually and as successor in interest to ANGLO AMERICAN CORPORATION OF SOUTH AFRICA LTD.; DEBEERS PLC; DEBEERS CENTENARY AG; DEBEERS CONSOLIDATED MINES LTD.; DEBEERS S.A.; DEBEERS UK LTD.; DEBEERS JEWELERS US, INC.; ANGLE AMERICAN US HOLDINGS INC.; ELEMENT SIX US CORP.; ELEMENT SIX TECHNOLOGIES US CORP.; ELEMENT SIX TECHNOLOGIES (OR) CORP.; FIRST MODE HOLDINGS, INC.; PLA3TINUM GUILD INTERNATIONAL (USA) JEWELRY INC.; FOREVERMARK US INC.; ANGLO AMERICAN CROP NUTRIENTS (USA), LLC; CHARTER CONSOLIDATED LTD.; ESAB CORPORATION; CENTRAL MINING & INVESTMENT CORPORATION LTD.; CAPE HOLDCO LTD.; THE LAW DEBENTURE CORPORATION PLC; CAPE INDUSTRIAL SERVICES GROUP LTD.; MOHED ALTRAD; ALTRAD UK LTD.; CAPE UK HOLDINGS NEWCO LTD.; ALTRAD SERVICES LTD., f/k/a CAPE INDUSTRIAL SERVICES LTD.; ALTRAD INVESTMENT AUTHORITY SAS; SPARROWS OFFSHORE GROUP LTD.; HAWK BIDCO US INC.; ARRANCO US, LLC; SPARROWS OFFSHORE, LLC; and THE SPARROWS GROUP, LLC,..... *Third-Party Defendants,*

Of which CHARTER CONSOLIDATED LTD.; ESAB CORPORATION; CENTRAL MINING & INVESTMENT CORPORATION LTD; MOHED ALTRAD; and ALTRAD INVESTMENT AUTHORITY SAS, are the *Appellants.*

PROOF OF SERVICE

Pursuant to Paragraphs (d)(1) and (d)(3) of *In re Methods of Electronic Filing and Service Under Rule 262 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules*, Appellate Case No. 2020-000447 (As Amended April 24, 2024), I certify that the Motion for Leave to File Brief of *Amici Curiae* on Behalf of Downstream Corporate Defendants in Support of Respondent and the accompanying

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On behalf of Santa Fe Braun, Inc.; Rentavla LLC; ITT LLC; Goulds Pumps LLC; Dovers LLC; and Velvet V Corporation (collectively, "Downstream Corporate Defendants" or "*Amici*"), attached please find the following for service in connection with the above-referenced matter:

- Motion for Leave to File Brief of *Amici Curiae* on Behalf of Downstream Corporate Defendants in Support of Respondent; and
- Conditionally Filed Brief of *Amici Curiae* Downstream Corporate Defendants in Support of Respondent.

Pursuant to *In re Methods of Electronic Filing and Service Under Rule 262 of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules*, Appellate Case No. 2020-000447 (As Amended April 24, 2024), the attached will be submitted for e-filing momentarily, along with this email and the corresponding proof of service.

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