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As of June 30, 2023, the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter, the aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common stock held by
non-affiliates, computed by reference to the closing sales price of \$3.94 per share, was approximately \$231.2 million.

Registrant had 75,433,154 shares of common stock outstanding as of March 6, 2024.

# DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the registrant's definitive proxy statement relating to its annual meeting of stockholders to be held in 2024 (the "2024 Annual Meeting"), to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year to which this Annual Report on Form 10-K relates, are incorporated herein by reference where indicated. Except with respect to information specifically incorporated by reference in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, such proxy statement is not deemed to be filed as part hereof.

# BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC.

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# NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report on Form 10-K may contain "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements can generally be identified using forward-looking terminology, including the terms "believes", "estimates", "anticipates, "expects", "seeks", "projects", "intends", plans," "may", "will" or "should" or, in each case, their negative or other variations or comparable terminology. These forward-looking statements include all matters that are not historical facts. They appear in several places throughout this report and include statements regarding our intentions, beliefs or current expectations concerning, among other things, results of operations, financial condition, liquidity, prospects, growth, strategies, the markets in which we operate and the development of Electric Vertical Aircraft ("EVA") technology. Such forward-looking statements are based on available current market material and management's expectations, beliefs, and forecasts concerning future events impacting us and are inherently subject to significant business, economic and competitive uncertainties and contingencies, many of which are difficult to predict and generally beyond our control. Actual results and the timing of events may differ materially from the results anticipated in these forward-looking statements.

Our operations and financial results are subject to various risks and uncertainties. The following are among those factors, but are not the only factors, that could adversely affect us and/or that may cause actual results to differ materially from such forward-looking statements:

- continued occurrence of significant losses, which we have experienced since inception;
- the markets in which we operate may fail to grow or may grow more slowly than expected;
- our ability to effectively market and sell air transportation as a substitute for conventional methods of transportation;
- · changes in consumer preferences, discretionary spending and other economic conditions;
- reliance on certain customers which could impact our Passenger segment revenue;
- the inability or unavailability to use or take advantage of the shift, or lack thereof, to EVA technology;
- · our ability to enter new markets and offer new routes and services;
- · any adverse publicity stemming from accidents involving small aircraft, helicopters or charter flights and, in particular, any accidents involving our third-party operators;
- any change to the ownership of our aircraft and the operational and business challenges related thereto;
- effects of competition;
- · our reliance on contractual relationships with certain transplant centers, hospitals and Organ Procurement Organizations;
- · harm to our reputation and brand;
- our ability to provide high-quality customer support;
- · our ability to maintain a high daily aircraft usage rate and to aggregate fliers on our by-the-seat flights;
- impact of natural disasters, outbreaks and pandemics, economic, social, weather, growth constraints, geopolitical, and regulatory conditions or other circumstances on metropolitan areas and airports where we have geographic concentration;
- the effects of climate change;
- · the availability of aircraft fuel;
- our ability to address system failures, defects, errors or vulnerabilities in our website, applications, backend systems or other technology systems or those of third-party technology providers;
- interruptions or security breaches of our information technology systems;
- · our placements within mobile operating systems and application marketplaces;
- our ability to protect our intellectual property rights;
- our use of open source software;
- · our ability to expand and maintain our infrastructure network;
- · our ability to access additional funding;
- · the increase of costs and risks associated with international expansion;
- our ability to identify, complete and successfully integrate future acquisitions;
- · our ability to manage our growth;
- · increases in insurance costs or reductions in insurance coverage;
- the loss of key members of our management team;
- our ability to maintain our company culture;
- effects of fluctuating financial results;
- our reliance on third-party operators to provide and operate aircraft;
- the availability of third-party aircraft operators to match demand;

- · disruptions to third-party operators and providers workforce;
- · increases in insurance costs or reductions in insurance coverage for our third-party aircraft operators;
- the possibility that our third-party aircraft operators may illegally, improperly or otherwise inappropriately operate our branded aircraft;
- our reliance on third-party web service providers;
- · changes in our regulatory environment;
- risk and impact of any litigation we may subject to;
- · regulatory obstacles in local governments;
- the expansion of domestic and foreign privacy and security laws;
- the expansion of environmental regulation;
- · our ability to remediate any material weaknesses or maintain effective internal controls over financial reporting;
- our ability to maintain effective internal controls and disclosure controls;
- · changes in fair value of our warrants;
- changes to the price of our securities;
- the possibility that our warrants may expire worthless;
- · our ability to redeem outstanding warrants;
- our intention to not declare any dividends in the foreseeable future;
- the possibility that we may issue additional equity securities;
- our use of "smaller reporting company" exemptions from disclosure requirements;
- impact of our loss of "emerging growth company" status;
- · provisions in our charter that may discourage unsolicited takeover proposals;
- provisions in our charter that designate exclusive forum; and
- the other factors described elsewhere in this Annual Report, included under the headings "Risk Factors," "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition" or as described in the other documents and reports we file with the SEC.

Actual results, performance or achievements may differ materially, and potentially adversely, from any forward-looking statements and the assumptions on which those forward-looking statements are based. There can be no assurance that the data contained herein is reflective of future performance to any degree. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a predictor of future performance. All information set forth herein speaks only as of the date hereof and we disclaim any intention or obligation to update any forward-looking statements as a result of developments occurring after the date of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Unless the context indicates otherwise, references in this Annual Report on Form 10-K to the "Company," "Blade," "we," "us," "our," and similar terms refer to Blade Air Mobility, Inc.

#### Part I.

#### Item 1. Business

#### **Business Overview**

Blade Air Mobility, Inc. ("Blade" or the "Company") provides air transportation and logistics for hospitals across the United States, where it is one of the largest transporters of human organs for transplant, and for passengers, with helicopter and fixed wing services primarily in the Northeast United States, Southern Europe and Western Canada. Based in New York City, Blade's asset-light model, coupled with its exclusive passenger terminal infrastructure and proprietary technologies, is designed to facilitate a seamless transition from helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft to Electric Vertical Aircraft ("EVA" or "eVTOL"), enabling lower cost air mobility that is both quiet and emission-free.

Blade currently operates in three key product lines across our Passenger and Medical segments:

#### Passenger segment

- Short Distance Consisting primarily of helicopter and amphibious seaplane flights in the United States, Canada and Europe between 10 and 100 miles in distance. Flights are available for purchase both by-the-seat and on a full aircraft charter basis.
- Jet and Other Consists principally of revenues from non-medical jet charter and by-the-seat jet flights between New York and South Florida, revenue from brand partners for exposure to Blade fliers and certain ground transportation services.

#### Medical segment

• MediMobility Organ Transport – Consisting primarily of transportation of human organs for transplant and/or the medical teams supporting these services. Blade also offers additional services including donor logistics coordination and support evaluating potential donor organs.

## **Our Business Model**

Blade leverages an asset-light business model: we primarily utilize aircraft that are owned and/or operated by third-parties on Blade's behalf. In these arrangements, pilots, maintenance, hangar, insurance, and fuel are all costs borne by our network of operators, which provide aircraft flight time to Blade at fixed hourly rates. This enables our operator partners to focus on training pilots, maintaining aircraft and flying, while we maintain the relationship with our customer from booking through flight arrival. For flights offered for sale by-the-seat, Blade schedules flights based on demand analysis and takes the economic risk of aggregating fliers to optimize flight profitability, providing predictable margins for our operators.

When utilizing third-party aircraft and/or aircraft operators, we typically pre-negotiate fixed hourly rates and flight times, paying only for flights actually flown, creating a predictable and flexible cost structure. Blade provides guaranteed flight commitments to some of our third-party operators through capacity purchase agreements, which enable Blade to ensure dedicated access to such aircraft with enhanced crew availability, lower costs and, in many cases, the ability to unlock more favorable rates when flying more than the minimum number of hours we guarantee to the operator. Additionally, a significant portion of Blade trips are flown by safety-vetted operators to whom Blade makes no commitments, providing us with additional flexible capacity for high demand periods.

We prioritize the use of dedicated aircraft under capacity purchase agreements, which provide better economics, but size our commitments significantly below our expected demand to limit the risk of a guarantee shortfall and then fulfill incremental demand through our network of non-dedicated operators. In 2023, approximately 46% of Blade's flight costs were pursuant to capacity purchase agreements that included flight volume guarantees from Blade.

Blade's proprietary "customer-to-cockpit" technology stack enables us to manage fliers and organ transports across numerous simultaneous flights with multiple operators around the world. We believe that this technology, which provides (i) real-time tracking of organ transports and passenger flights; (ii) profit/loss information on a flight-by-flight basis; (iii)

customized portals for all relevant parties including pilots, accounting teams, operator dispatch, transplant coordinators and Blade's logistics team; and (iv) a customer-facing app for passenger missions, will enable us to continue to scale our business. This technology stack was built with future growth in mind and is designed to allow our platform to be easily scaled to accommodate, among other things, rapid increases in volume, new routes, new operators, broader flight schedules, international expansion, next-generation verticraft and ancillary services (e.g., last/first-mile ground connections, trip cancellation insurance, baggage delivery) through our mobile apps, website and cloud-based tools.

Our asset-light business model was developed to be scalable and profitable using conventional aircraft today while enabling a seamless transition to EVA, once they are certified for public use. We intend to leverage the expected lower operating costs of EVA versus helicopters to reduce the consumer's price for our flights. Additionally, we expect the reduced noise footprint and zero carbon emission characteristics of EVA to allow for the development of new, vertical landing infrastructure ("vertiports") in our existing and new markets.

## Competition

## Passenger segment

In both our Short Distance and Jet and Other product lines, we compete primarily with Part 135 operators or brokers of helicopters, seaplanes and jets. In most cases, these operators offer only full aircraft charter and do not compete with our by-the-seat offerings. However, in certain instances other air carriers offer competing by-the-seat service. Additionally, we may compete with ground transportation, rail or ferry services that are typically lower cost, but generally involve longer journeys.

In some cases, aircraft operators are able to offer lower costs than Blade on a specific aircraft type. We compete primarily based on our technology-enabled service, dedicated infrastructure, and access to a wide variety of aircraft types, which can lower costs for our customers based on our ability to select the most appropriate aircraft for the requested distance and payload.

The urban air mobility industry is still developing and evolving, but we expect it to be highly competitive. Our potential future competitors may be able to devote greater resources to the development of their current and future technologies or the promotion and sale of their offerings, or offer lower prices. For example, some multimodal transportation providers and even commercial airlines have expressed interest in air mobility, and Uber Technologies, Inc. has a significant investment in a company that is developing EVA aircraft. Moreover, potential manufacturers of EVAs may choose to develop vertically integrated businesses, or they may contract with competing air mobility service providers rather than entering into operating contracts with us, which would be a threat to our Short Distance product line.

Our potential competitors also may establish cooperative or strategic relationships among themselves or with third parties, including regional or national helicopter or heliport operations that we rely on to offer our urban air mobility services, which may further enhance their resources and offerings. It is possible that domestic or foreign companies or governments, some with greater experience in the urban air mobility industry or greater financial resources than we possess, will seek to provide products or services that compete directly or indirectly with ours in the future. Any such foreign competitor could benefit from subsidies or other protective measures provided by its home country.

## Medical segment

In our MediMobility Organ Transport product line, we compete primarily with Part 135 jet operators and a limited number of asset-light logistics businesses. We compete primarily based on our technology-enabled service and access to a wide variety of aircraft types, including helicopters, jets and turboprops, in many locations across the United States. This can lower costs for our customers based on our ability to select the most appropriate aircraft located in the most efficient area for the requested distance and payload.

The organ transportation industry is rapidly evolving as new technology for organ preservation is introduced. We believe new technology will benefit our business by increasing the overall supply of organs to be transplanted. However, some companies developing organ preservation technology now provide organ transportation services that compete with us, as well as additional services that we do not currently offer, such as surgical organ recovery, that our customers find valuable.

We believe our ability to compete successfully as a diversified air mobility company will depend on a number of factors, which may change in the future due to increased competition, including the price of our offerings, customer confidence in the safety of our offerings, customer satisfaction for the service we offer, and, for by-the-seat offerings, the routes, frequency of flights and availability of seats offered through our platform. If we are unable to compete successfully, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be adversely affected.

# **Human Capital Resources**

As of December 31, 2023, we had a total of 281 employees, with 235 individuals working in our operations located in the United States and 46 employees in our operations based in Europe. Among these employees, we had 231 permanent employees and 50 temporary employees. None of our employees are represented by a labor union. We believe we have good relationships with our employees and have not experienced any interruptions of operations due to labor disagreements.

# **Government Regulation**

## Transportation and Aviation

United States. As an arranger of air travel and an indirect air carrier, we are subject to United States Department of Transportation ("DOT") regulations governing our advertising and sale of by-the-seat air transportation as well as the advertising and sale of aircraft charter. We are also subject to DOT regulations relating to consumer protection matters such as unfair or deceptive practices, flier complaints and ticket refunding policies and practices. Our operators are subject to the laws and regulations relating to the operation and maintenance of aircraft promulgated by the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA"). Further, as a transporter of organs for transplant, we are subject to DOT regulations relating to the transportation of organs for transplant. Because Blade does not currently operate aircraft, our business operations are not directly regulated by the FAA. Our ground transportation offerings are governed by applicable local, state and federal regulations and include (i) owned vehicles for our Medical segment, both with and without lights and sirens; and (ii) third-party owned and operated vehicles for use in both our Medical and Passenger segments.

Canada. Our Canadian operations are subject to strict regulations imposed by various Canadian government agencies, including Transport Canada and Nav Canada. These regulations impose restrictions on the way we conduct our business, as well as the activities of our third-party aircraft operators. Additionally, Transport Canada and Nav Canada regulations require specific disclosures to consumers and the filing of flight routes.

France and Monaco. Our French operations are subject to strict regulation by government agencies in the country, including the Direction Générale de l'Aviation Civile ("DGAC") and the Autorité de la Concurrence. Our Monégasque operations are subject to a complex and constantly changing regulatory landscape governed by the Direction de l'Aviation Civile de Monaco.

India. The Indian Joint Venture's operations are regulated by Indian government agencies, including the Airports Authority of India, Ministry of Civil Aviation and Directorate General of Civil Aviation.

# Privacy and Data Protection

There are many requirements regarding the collection, use, transfer, security, storage, destruction, and other processing of personally identifiable information and other data relating to individuals. Because our technology platform is an integral aspect of our business, compliance with laws governing the use, collection, and processing of personal data is necessary for us to achieve our objective of continuously enhancing the user experience of our mobile application and marketing site.

We receive collect, store, process, transmit, share and use personal information, and other customer data, including health information, and we rely in part on third parties that are not directly under our control to manage certain of these operations and to receive, collect, store, process, transmit, share, and use such personal information, including payment information. A variety of federal, state, local, municipal, and foreign laws and regulations, as well as industry standards (such as the payment card industry standards) govern the collection, storage, processing, sharing, use, retention and security of this information, including the California Online Privacy Protection Act, the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act, the Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act, the Telephone Protection

and Electronic Protection Act of 1991 ("TCPA"), Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act, and the California Consumer Privacy Act ("CCPA"). The failure to comply with such data protection and privacy regulations can result in fines, penalties, and the enforcement of any non-compliance, which could significantly impact our business operations.

In January 2020, CCPA took effect, which provides new data privacy rights for consumers in California and new operational requirements for companies doing business in California. Furthermore, on January 1, 2023, the California Privacy Rights Act ("CPRA"), which amended and expanded the CCPA, including by providing consumers with additional rights with respect to their personal information, took effect applying to information collected by businesses on or after January 1, 2022. However, enforcement of the CPRA will not begin until July 1, 2023 and enforcement will apply only to violations occurring on or after that date. We believe that the personal information we collect from California residents that use our app, the air transportation services we have offered in California in the past, and direct marketing to California residents for those services, as well as our plans to offer future services in California, have made and in the future will make Blade subject to compliance with CCPA and CPRA.

Moreover, as we offer and advertise our services in Europe, Canada, and Monaco and are subject to privacy regulations in these foreign jurisdictions. The European Union's General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR"), the Canadian Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act ("PIPEDA"), as well as the Monégasque Data Protection Act ("DPA") are known for their stringent requirements and can pose significant challenges for companies to comply with. The GDPR sets strict standards for the handling of personal data of individuals in the European Economic Area, and noncompliance can result in significant monetary penalties. In Canada, PIPEDA sets similar standards for protecting personal data and regulating its collection, use, and disclosure. In Monaco, the DPA provides similar protection for personal data and sets standards for the collection, use, and storage of personal information.

The GDPR imposes obligations on data controllers and data processors that have an establishment in the EU or are offering goods or services to, or monitoring the behavior of, individuals within the EU. The GDPR is wide-ranging in scope and imposes numerous requirements on companies that collect and further process personal data, including requirements relating to processing health and other sensitive data. The GDPR also imposes strict rules on the transfer of personal data to countries outside the European Union, including the United States and the United Kingdom post-Brexit, and stipulates a regime of accountability for processors and controllers. Organizations may be required to appoint a data protection officer who reports to the highest level of management within the business. The GDPR permits data protection authorities to impose large penalties for violations of the GDPR, including potential fines of up to  $\epsilon$ 20 million or 4% of annual global revenues of the undertaking, whichever is greater. The GDPR also confers a private right of action on data subjects and consumer associations to lodge complaints with supervisory authorities, seek judicial remedies, and obtain compensation for material and immaterial damages resulting from violations of the GDPR.

The CCPA, GDPR, and other similar regulations require companies to give specific types of notice and, in some cases, permit users to opt out of or obtain informed consent for the placement of a cookie or similar technologies on a user's device for online tracking for behavioral advertising and other purposes and for direct electronic marketing, and the GDPR also imposes additional conditions in order to satisfy such consent, such as a prohibition on pre-checked tick boxes and bundled consents, thereby requiring users to affirmatively consent for a given purpose through separate tick boxes or other affirmative action.

# Environmental

Our operators are subject to various federal, state and local laws relating to the protection of the environment, including the discharge or disposal of materials and the regulation of aircraft noise, which laws are administered by numerous state and federal agencies. We seek representations of compliance with environmental laws from our operators.

# **Available Information**

Our Annual Report on Form 10-K (Annual Report), Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, Proxy Statements and amendments to those reports filed or furnished pursuant to Sections 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), are available on the Investor Relations section of our website (https://ir.blade.com/) as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such material with, or furnish it to, the SEC. We also make available through our website other reports filed with or furnished to the SEC under the Exchange Act, including reports filed by our officers and directors under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act. All of the information on our Investor Relations website is available to be viewed free of charge. The SEC maintains a website (https://www.sec.gov)

that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC.

We routinely use the Investor Relations section of our website (https://ir.blade.com/), our corporate website (www.blade.com) and our X feed (@flybladenow) as channels of distribution to publish important information about Blade, including financial or other information that may be deemed material to investors. Information contained on our websites or social media channels is not part of this Annual Report or our other filings with the SEC. Except as specifically incorporated by reference into this document, information on these websites or social media channels is not part of this document.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors

Our operations and financial results are subject to various risks and uncertainties which could adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows, and the trading price of our common and capital stock. You should carefully consider the risks described below as well as the other information contained in this Annual Report. The risks and uncertainties in this Annual Report are not the only risks and uncertainties that we face. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently believe to be immaterial may become material and adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations, cash flows, and the trading price of our common stock and warrants.

## Risks Related to Our Business and Growth Strategy

We have incurred significant losses since inception. We expect to incur losses in the future, and we may not be able to achieve or maintain profitability.

We have incurred significant losses since inception. While we currently generate revenue primarily from the sale of air transportation, it is difficult for us to predict our future operating results. As a result, our losses may be larger than anticipated, and we may not achieve profitability when expected, or at all. Even if we do, we may not be able to maintain or increase profitability. Further, some of our future growth plans are dependent upon the availability of EVA. There can be no assurance that regulatory approval availability of EVA, or consumer acceptance of EVA, will occur in a timely manner, if at all. In addition, there may be additional costs associated with the initial build out of EVA infrastructure needed to service our routes and we cannot be sure that EVA will result in expected cost savings or efficiencies, which could in turn affect our profitability.

Further, our ability to generate revenue sufficient to achieve profitability will depend on the successful commercialization of our Passenger services, our ability to secure new transplant centers, organ procurement organizations and hospital customers (collectively, "Medical Customers"), and our ability to effectively integrate acquisitions.

We expect to continue to incur net losses for the foreseeable future as we focus on growing our services in both the United States and internationally. Thetiming and amount of our operating and capital expenditures will depend on many factors, including:

- the amount of net revenue generated by sales of our Passenger and Medical services;
- our decision to purchase aircraft and/or vehicles;
- our launch of new Medical services, passenger routes and/or products;
- · the costs and expenses of expanding our U.S. and international operations;
- the extent to which our urban air mobility services are utilized by fliers in the regions we operate;
- · the costs incurred in our efforts to develop our brand and improve awareness;
- · the costs, timing and outcomes of any future litigation; and
- the level of our selling, general and administrative expenses.

Because of the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with our expansion and commercialization, we are unable to accurately predict the timing or amount of increased expenses or when, or if, we will be able to achieve or maintain profitability.

The markets for our Passenger offerings are still in relatively early stages of growth, and if such markets do not continue to grow, grow more slowly than we expect, or fail to grow as large as we expect, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

Blade's Passenger urban air mobility services have grown rapidly since we launched our business in 2014, however, our service offerings are still relatively new, and it is uncertain to what extent market acceptance will continue to grow, if at all.

Further, we currently operate our Passenger business in a limited number of metropolitan areas. The success of these markets to date and the opportunity for future growth in these markets may not be representative of the potential market for urban air mobility in other metropolitan areas. Our success will depend to a substantial extent on regulatory approval and availability of EVA technology, as well as the willingness of commuters and travelers to widely adopt urban air mobility as an alternative for ground transportation. If the public does not perceive urban air mobility as beneficial, or chooses not to adopt urban air mobility as a result of concerns regarding safety, affordability, or for other reasons, then the market for our offerings may not further develop, may develop more slowly than we expect, or may not achieve the growth potential we expect, any of which could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Prior to our offerings, the New York urban air mobility airport transfer market had not been served on a by-the-seat air transportation basis since U.S. Helicopter offered helicopter service in the 2000s. Furthermore, some of the other urban air mobility markets where we plan to expand have never had by-the-seat helicopter services. As a result, the number of potential fliers using our urban air mobility services cannot be predicted with any degree of certainty, and we cannot provide assurance that we will be able to operate in a profitable manner in any of our current or targeted future markets.

Our most recent entry into European and Canadian markets presents the risk of limited brand recognition in these regions. As a result, the lack of brand recognition may result in difficulties in gaining and retaining fliers and building partnerships with local entities. In addition, competition in these new markets may be strong, with established players and new entrants offering similar services. The potential intense competition and limited brand recognition could make it difficult for us to establish a strong market position and generate profitable returns.

Growth of our business will require significant investments in our infrastructure, technology, and marketing and sales efforts. Historically, cash flow from operations has not been sufficient to support these needs. If our business does not generate the level of available cash flow required to support these investments, our results of operations will be negatively affected. Further, our ability to effectively manage growth and expansion of our operations will also require us to enhance our operational systems, internal controls and infrastructure, human resources policies, and reporting systems. These enhancements will require significant capital expenditures and allocation of valuable management and employee resources.

# The success of our Passenger segment will be highly dependent on our ability to effectively market and sell air transportation as a substitute for conventional methods of transportation.

We generate a substantial portion of our revenue from the sale of air transportation. Our success depends, in part, on our ability to cost-effectively attract new fliers, retain existing fliers, and increase utilization of our platform by existing fliers. Historically, we have made, and expect that we will need to continue to make, significant investments and implement strategic initiatives in order to attract new fliers, such as flier acquisition campaigns and the launching of new scheduled routes. These investments and initiatives may not be effective in generating sales growth or profits. In addition, marketing campaigns can be expensive and may not result in the acquisition of additional fliers in a cost-effective manner, if at all. As our brand becomes more widely known, future marketing campaigns or brand content may not attract new fliers at the same rate as past campaigns or brand content. If we are unable to attract new fliers, our business, financial condition, and results of operations will be adversely affected.

Our fliers have a wide variety of options for transportation, including business aviation, commercial airlines, private aircraft operators, personal vehicles, rental cars, taxis, public transit, and ride-sharing offerings. To expand our flier base, we must appeal to new fliers who have historically used other forms of transportation. If fliers do not perceive our urban air mobility services to be reliable, safe, and cost-effective, or if we fail to offer new and relevant services and features on our platform, we may not be able to attract or retain fliers or increase their utilization of our platform. If we fail to continue to grow our flier base, retain existing fliers, or increase the overall utilization of our platform, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

Our prospects and operations may be adversely affected by changes in consumer preferences, discretionary spending, and other economic conditions that affect demand for our services

Our Passenger business, comprised of our Short Distance and Jet and Other offerings, are vulnerable to changes in consumer preferences, discretionary spending, and other market changes impacting luxury goods and discretionary purchases. The global economy has in the past, and will in the future, experience recessionary periods and periods of economic instability. During such periods, our current and future users may choose not to make discretionary purchases or may reduce overall spending on discretionary purchases. Such changes could result in reduced consumer demand for air transportation, including our urban air mobility services, or could shift demand from our urban air mobility services to other methods of air or ground transportation for which we do not offer services. If we are unable to generate demand or there is a future shift in consumer spending away from urban air mobility, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

## Our Jet and Other product line is reliant on certain customers which could impact our Passenger segment revenue.

A portion of our revenue in the Jet and Other product is concentrated in a small number of jet charter customers. The jet charter market is vulnerable to changes in consumer preferences, discretionary spending, and other economic factors that can affect these customers' decision to charter with us or to pursue other transportation methods, including purchasing personal aircraft to meet their air transportation needs.

The EVA industry may not continue to develop, EVA may not be adopted by the market or our third-party aircraft operators, EVA may not be certified by transportation authorities, or EVA may not deliver the expected reduction in operating costs, any of which could adversely affect our prospects, business, financial condition, and results of operations.

EVA involves a complex set of technologies, which we rely on original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs") to develop and our third-party aircraft operators to adopt. However, before EVA can fly passengers or cargo, OEMs must receive requisite approvals from federal transportation authorities. No EVA aircraft are currently certified by the FAA for commercial operations in the United States, and there is no assurance that OEM research and development will result in government certified aircraft that are market-viable or commercially successful in a timely manner, or at all. In order to gain government certification, the performance, reliability, and safety of EVA must be proven, none of which can be assured. Even if EVA aircraft are certified, individual operators must conform EVA aircraft to their licenses, which requires FAA approval, and individual pilots also must be licensed and approved by the FAA to fly EVA aircraft, which could contribute to delays in any widespread use of EVA and potentially limit the number of EVA operators available to our business.

Additional challenges to the adoption of EVA, all of which are outside of our control, include:

- · market acceptance of EVA;
- · state, federal, or municipal licensing requirements and other regulatory measures;
- · necessary changes to infrastructure to enable adoption, including installation of necessary charging equipment; and
- public perception regarding the safety of EVA.

There are a number of existing laws, regulations, and standards that may apply to EVA, including standards that were not originally intended to apply to electric aircraft. Regulatory changes that address EVA more specifically could delay the ability of OEMs to receive type certification by transportation authorities and thus delay our third-party aircraft operators' ability to utilize EVA for our flights. In addition, there can be no assurance that the market will accept EVA, that we will be able to execute on our business strategy, or that our offerings utilizing EVA will be successful in the market. There may be heightened public skepticism of this nascent technology and its adopters. In particular, there could be negative public perception surrounding EVA, including the overall safety and the potential for injuries or death occurring as a result of accidents involving EVA, regardless of whether any such safety incidents occur involving Blade or our third-party operators. Any of the foregoing risks and challenges could adversely affect our prospects, business, financial condition, and results of operations, and financial condition. If one or more of our third-party aircraft operators were to suffer an accident or lose the ability to fly certain aircraft due to safety concerns or investigations, we may be required to cancel or delay certain flights until replacement aircraft and personnel are obtained.

If we are not able to successfully enter into new markets and offer new routes and services and enhance our existing offerings, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

Growth in our Passenger segment will depend in part on our ability to successfully enter into new markets, create and introduce new routes, and expand our existing routes by adding more frequent flights. Significant changes to our existing routes or the introduction of new and unproven routes may require us to obtain and maintain applicable permits, authorizations, or other regulatory approvals. If these new or expanded routes are unsuccessful or fail to attract a sufficient number of fliers to be profitable, or we are unable to bring new or expanded routes to market efficiently, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected. Furthermore, new third-party aircraft operator or flier demands regarding our services, including the availability of superior routes or a deterioration in the quality of our existing routes, could negatively affect the attractiveness of our platform and the economics of our business and require us to make substantial changes to and additional investments in our routes or our business model.

Developing and launching new routes or enhancements to our existing routes involves significant risks and uncertainties, including risks related to the reception of such routes by existing and potential future third-party aircraft operators and fliers, increases in competition from local players who may have a better understanding of the local culture, language and customer preferences, increases in operational complexity, unanticipated delays or challenges in implementing such routes or enhancements, increased strain on our operational and internal resources (including an impairment of our ability to accurately forecast flier demand and the number of third-party aircraft operators using our platform), and negative publicity in the event such new or enhanced routes are perceived to be unsuccessful. We have scaled our business rapidly, and significant new initiatives have in the past resulted in such operational challenges affecting our business. In addition, developing and launching new routes and enhancements to our existing routes may involve significant upfront investment, such as additional marketing and terminal build out, and such investments may not generate return on investment. Any of the foregoing risks and challenges could negatively impact our ability to attract and retain qualified third-party aircraft operators and fliers and our ability to increase utilization of our routes and could adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

Operation of aircraft involves a degree of inherent risk. We could suffer losses and adverse publicity stemming from any accident involving small aircraft, helicopters, or charter flights and, in particular, from any accident involving our third-party aircraft operators.

The operation of aircraft is subject to various risks, and demand for air transportation has and may in the future be impacted by accidents or other safety issues regardless of whether such accidents or issues involve Blade flights, our third-party aircraft operators, aircraft flown by our third-party aircraft operators or Blade-owned aircraft. Air transportation hazards, such as adverse weather conditions and fire and mechanical failures, may result in death or injury to personnel and passengers which could impact client or passenger confidence in a particular aircraft type or the air transportation services industry as a whole and could lead to a reduction in volume, particularly if such accidents or disasters were due to a safety fault. Safety statistics for air travel are reported by multiple parties, including the Department of Transportation ("DOT") and National Transportation Safety Board ("NTSB"), and are often separated into categories of transportation. Because our services include a variety of transportation methods, our customers may have a hard time determining how safe our services are, and their confidence in the safety of our services may be impacted by, among other things, the classification of accidents in ways that reflect poorly on urban air mobility services, organ transportation services, air medical transportation or the transportation methods they utilize.

We believe that safety and reliability are two of the primary attributes fliers consider when selecting air transportationservices. Our failure, or that of our third-party operators, to maintain standards of safety and reliability that are satisfactory to our customers may adversely impact our ability to retain current customers and attract new customers. We are at risk of adverse publicity stemming from any public incident involving our company, our people, or our brand. Such an incident could involve the actual or alleged behavior of any of our employees or third-party aircraft operators. Further, if our personnel, one of our third-party operators' aircraft, one of our third-party operators' Blade-branded aircraft, a Blade-owned aircraft, or a type of aircraft in our third-party operators' fleet that is used by us is involved in a public incident, accident, catastrophe, or regulatory enforcement action, we could be exposed to significant reputational harm and potential legal liability. Blade-branded aircraft have in the past been involved in accidents and despite our best efforts, there can be no guarantee that such events will not occur in the future. The insurance we carry may be inapplicable or inadequate to cover any such incident, accident, catastrophe, or action. In the event that our insurance is inapplicable or inadequate, we may be forced to bear substantial losses from an incident or accident. In addition, any such incident, accident, catastrophe, or action involving our employees, a Blade-owned aircraft, one of the Blade-branded aircraft used by us belonging to our third-party operators' fleet (or personnel and aircraft of our third-party operators), or the same type of aircraft as used by our third-party operators ould create an adverse public perception, which could harm our reputation, resulting in current or prospective customers being reluctant to use our services and adversely impacting our

business, results of operations, and financial condition. If one or more of our third-party aircraft operators were to suffer an accident or lose the ability to fly certain aircraft due to safety concerns or investigations, we may be required to cancel or delay certain flights until replacement aircraft and personnel are obtained.

#### We may purchase aircraft in the future.

Purchasing aircraft will change aspects of our business model and include a significant investment that could affect our financial condition, cost structures and cause operational disruptions. Though we would continue to service the vast majority of our demand utilizing aircraft that are owned and operated by third-parties, purchasing aircraft represents an evolution of our "asset-light" business model, as there are risks associated with owning or operating any number of aircraft. The value of our aircraft could be impacted in future periods by changes in supply and demand for these aircraft, including as a result of the grounding of aircraft, which could adversely impact our business, operating results, cash flows and financial condition. In addition, we may be required to recognize losses in the future due to a decline in the fair values of certain tangible assets, including these aircraft.

Additionally, we may incur substantial maintenance costs as part of our owning aircraft. Maintaining a fleet of aircraft will require regular maintenance work, which may cause operational disruption. Our inability to perform or to contract timely maintenance and repairs can result in our aircraft being underutilized which could have an adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations. On occasion, airframe manufacturers and/or regulatory authorities require mandatory or recommended modifications to be made across a particular fleet which may mean having to ground a particular type of aircraft. This may cause operational disruption to, and impose significant costs on, us. Furthermore, our operations in remote locations, where delivery of components and parts or transportation of maintenance personnel could take a significant period of time, could result in delays in our ability to maintain and repair our aircraft.

Ownership of aircraft is subject to various legal, financial and reputational risks stemming from catastrophic disasters, crashes, mechanical failures and collisions, which may result in loss of life, personal injury and/or damage to property and equipment. If any of these events were to occur, we could experience loss of revenue, termination of customer contracts, higher insurance rates, litigation, regulatory investigations and enforcement actions (including potential grounding of our fleet and suspension or revocation of our operating authorities) and damage to our reputation and customer relationships. Moreover, any aircraft accident or incident, even if fully insured, and operated by a third-party operator, could create a public perception that we are less safe or reliable than other air transportation companies, which could cause our customers to lose confidence in us and switch to other air transportation companies or other means of transportation.

# If we choose to operate some aircraft directly in the future, versus utilizing a third-party, we would be subject to additional risks.

Our management has limited experience with operating aircraft. We may not be successful in identifying all potential costs and regulatory requirements related to the operation and maintenance of aircraft, and we may incur considerable costs.

The operation of aircraft is subject to various risks, including catastrophic disasters, crashes, mechanical failures and collisions, which may result in loss of life, personal injury and/or damage to property and equipment. We may experience accidents in the future if we choose to operate some aircraft directly. These risks could endanger the safety of our customers, our employees, third-parties, equipment, organs and other medical cargo, and the environment. If any of these events were to occur, we could experience loss of revenue, termination of customer contracts, higher insurance rates, litigation, regulatory investigations and enforcement actions and damage to our reputation and customer relationships. In addition, to the extent an accident occurs with an aircraft we operate or charter, we could be held liable for resulting damages, which may involve claims from injured passengers, and survivors of deceased passengers, our Medical customers and property owners.

There can be no assurance that the amount of our insurance coverage available in the event of such losses would be adequate to cover such losses, or that we would not be forced to bear substantial losses from such events, regardless of our insurance coverage. Moreover, any aircraft accident or incident, even if fully insured, and whether involving us or other private aircraft operators, could create a public perception that we are less safe or reliable than other private aircraft operators, which could cause our customers to lose confidence in us and switch to other private aircraft operators or other means of transportation. In addition, any aircraft accident or incident, whether involving us or other private aircraft operators, could also affect the public's view of industry safety, which may reduce the amount of trust by our customers.

# We expect to face intense competition in the urban air mobility industry.

The urban air mobility industry is still developing and evolving, but we expect it to be highly competitive. Our potential competitors may be able to devote greater resources to the development of their current and future technologies or the promotion and sale of their offerings, or offer lower prices. For example, some multimodal transportation providers and even commercial airlines have expressed interest in air mobility, and Uber Technologies, Inc. has a significant investment in a company that is developing EVA aircraft. Moreover, potential manufacturers of EVAs may choose to develop vertically integrated businesses, or they may contract with competing air mobility service providers rather than entering

into operating contracts with us or our third-party operators, which would be a threat to our business. Our potential competitors also may establish cooperative or strategic relationships among themselves or with third parties, including regional or national helicopter or heliport operations that we rely on to offer our urban air mobility services, which may further enhance their resources and offerings. It is possible that domestic or foreign companies or governments, some with greater experience in the urban air mobility industry or greater financial resources than we possess, will seek to provide products or services that compete directly or indirectly with ours in the future. Any such foreign competitor could benefit from subsidies or other protective measures provided by its home country.

We believe our ability to compete successfully as an urban air mobility service will depend on a number of factors, which may change in the future due to increased competition, including the price of our offerings, consumer confidence in the safety of our offerings, consumer satisfaction for the experiences we offer, and the routes, frequency of flights, and availability of seats offered through our platform. If we are unable to compete successfully, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

# Our reliance on contractual relationships with certain transplant centers, hospitals and Organ Procurement Organizations and other strategic alliances could adversely affect our business.

We rely significantly on contractual relationships with certain transplant centers, hospitals and Organ Procurement Organizations and other strategic partners and alliances to generate revenues, expand into new markets and further penetrate existing markets. In recent years, we have entered into strategic business relationships with, among others, Organ Procurement Organizations, hospitals and transplant centers to increase growth in our Medical product line. Our Medical product line growth is highly dependent on the procurement of human organs for transplant by our Medical Customers.

If our Medical Customers cannot procure human organs for transplant or the industry experiences a shortage of human organs, we may face challenges in fulfilling our contractual obligations with third- party aircraft and ground operators. This could negatively impact our reputation, ability to generate increased revenue and achieve profitability.

Additionally, if new organ preservation technology or the emergence of animal-derived, synthetic, or lab-grown organs makes rapid, dedicated air transportation of human organs unnecessary, our Medical Customers may no longer require our services to successfully complete organ transplants for their patients, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, and financial condition.

# The organ transportation market is highly competitive and some providers benefit from proprietary organ preservation technology or additional capabilities that could put us at a disadvantage.

We compete for organ transportation business primarily on our ability to provide reliable, end-to-end air and ground transportation at competitive pricing. Increasingly, we compete directly with manufacturers of organ preservation equipment that also offer transportation or with providers that offer additional services, such as surgical organ recovery, that our customers find valuable. We may face increased competition as our Medical Customers may prefer a streamlined logistics offering, including services or technology that we cannot provide, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, and financial condition.

Furthermore, the organ transportation market is highly regulated and continually evolving. In order to continue to offer competitive organ transport solutions, we have pursued, and may continue to pursue, acquisitions related to our Medical segment. All future acquisitions are subject to various conditions, including regulatory approvals. Acquisitions may encounter intense scrutiny under federal and state antitrust laws. Any delays, injunctions, conditions or modifications by any government agencies could have a negative effect on us and result in the abandonment of all or part of attractive acquisition opportunities. Additionally, as we expand our Medical offerings, we have been in the past, and could be in the future, the subject of anticompetitive litigation by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS.)

# If we experience harm to our reputation and brand, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

Continuing to increase the strength of our reputation and brand for reliable, experience-driven, and cost-effective urban air mobility and human organ transport is critical to our ability to attract and retain qualified, third-party aircraft operators and fliers. In addition, our growth strategy continues to include international expansion through route acquisition, joint ventures, minority investments, or other partnerships with local companies as well as event activations and cross-marketing with other established brands, all of which benefit from our reputation and brand recognition.

The successful development of our reputation and brand will depend on a number of factors, many of which are outside our control. Negative perception of our platform or company may harm our reputation and brand, including as a result of:

- complaints or negative publicity or reviews about us, our third-party aircraft operators, fliers, our air mobility services, other brands or events we associate with, or our flight operations policies (e.g., cancellation or baggage fee policies), even if factually incorrect or based on isolated incidents;
- · changes to our flight operations, safety and security, privacy or other policies that users or others perceive as overly restrictive, unclear, or inconsistent with their values;
- · a failure to enforce our flight operations policies in a manner that users perceive as effective, fair, and transparent;
- illegal, negligent, reckless, or otherwise inappropriate behavior by fliers, our third-party aircraft operators, or other third parties involved in the operation of our business or by our management team or other employees;
- a failure to provide routes and flight schedules sought by fliers;
- actual or perceived disruptions or defects in our platform, such as data security incidents, platform outages, payment processing disruptions, or other incidents that impact the availability, reliability, or security of our offerings;
- · litigation over, or investigations by regulators into, our operations or those of our third-party aircraft operators;
- · a failure to operate our business in a way that is consistent with our certain values;
- · inadequate or unsatisfactory flier support service experiences;
- negative responses by third-party aircraft operators or fliers to new mobility offerings on our platform;
- perception of our treatment of employees, contractors, or third-party aircraft operators and our response to their sentiment related to political or social causes or actions of management;
- a failure to deliver human organs or medical teams to transplant centers on a timely basis;
- · mistakes, delays or inconsistency in our evaluation of organ offers for customers of Trinity Organ Placement Services; or
- · any of the foregoing with respect to our competitors, to the extent such resulting negative perception affects the public's perception of us or our industry as a whole.

In addition, changes we may make to enhance and improve our offerings and balance the needs and interests of our third-party aircraft operators and fliers may be viewed positively from one group's perspective (such as fliers) but negatively from another's perspective (such as third-party aircraft operators), or may not be viewed positively by either third-party aircraft operators or fliers. If we fail to balance the interests of third-party aircraft operators and fliers or make changes that they view negatively, third-party aircraft operators and fliers may stop using our platform or take fewer flights, any of which could adversely affect our reputation, brand, business, financial condition, and results of operations.

Any failure to offer high-quality customer support may harm our relationships with fliers or Medical Customers and could adversely affect ourreputation, brand, business, financial condition, and results of operations.

We strive to create high levels of flier satisfaction through the experience we provide in our terminal lounges and the support provided by our Flier Experience team Medical Logistics Coordinators and Flier Relations representatives. The ease and reliability of our offerings, including our ability to provide high-quality customer support, helps us attract and retain fliers and commercial customers. Fliers depend on our Flier Relations team to resolve any issues relating to our services, such as flight operations policies, flight cancellations, or scheduling changes. Transplant centers depend on our logistics coordinators to monitor and coordinate between multiple operators of air and ground transportation, surgical teams procuring organs, organ procurement organizations providing support at the donor site, and the transplant centers that will ultimately perform the transplant on the recipient. Our ability to provide effective and timely support is largely dependent on our ability to attract and retain skilled employees who can support our fliers and Medical Customers and are sufficiently knowledgeable about our services. As we continue to grow our business and improve our platform, we will face challenges related to providing quality support at scale. Any failure to provide efficient customer support, or a market perception that we do not maintain high-quality support, could adversely affect our reputation, brand, business, financial condition, and results of operations.

We are especially vulnerable to delays, cancellations, or flight rescheduling, as we rely on maintaining a high daily aircraft usage rate, and need to aggregate fliers on our by-the-seat flights to lower direct costs to third-party operators.

Our success depends in part on maintaining a high daily aircraft usage rate (i.e., the number of revenue generating hoursflown on average in a day), which can be achieved in part by reducing turnaround times at heliports and airports. Aircraft usage rate is reduced by delays caused by a variety of factors, many of which are beyond our control, including adverse weather conditions, security requirements, air traffic congestion, and unscheduled maintenance. Reduced aircraft usage rates may limit our ability to achieve and maintain profitability as well as lead to customer dissatisfaction.

In our Passenger segment, our success also depends on our ability to generate more revenue per flight by maintaining high flier utilization rates (i.e., the number of seats purchased on each flight). Flier utilization rates may be reduced by a variety of factors, including the introduction of new routes or schedules. In some cases, we may choose to offer flights with low flier utilization rates to increase or maintain flier satisfaction and brand recognition and for marketing or other purposes. We have utilized certain commuter passes and bulk purchasing options to increase our flier utilization rates in the past; however, these products may be less appealing due to changes in consumer preferences, discretionary spending, and other economic factors.

While historically we have maintained daily aircraft and flier utilization rates sufficient to offset the costs we pay to operators, we may be unable to maintain and increase utilization rates as our business grows and expands. The risk of delays, cancellations, and flight rescheduling, which could negatively impact our utilization rates, may increase as we expand our business to include new markets and destinations, more frequent flights on current routes, and expanded facilities.

Our Short Distance product line is concentrated in a small number of metropolitan areas and airports which makes our business particularly susceptible to natural disasters, outbreaks and pandemics, economic, social, weather, growth constraints, and regulatory conditions or other circumstances affecting these metropolitan areas.

We derive a significant portion of our Short Distance revenue from flights that either originate from or fly into heliports and airports located in or near New York, New York, Vancouver, British Columbia and the South of France. As a result of our geographic concentration, our business and financial results are particularly susceptible to natural disasters, outbreaks and pandemics, economic, social, weather, growth constraints, and regulatory conditions or other circumstances in each of these metropolitan areas. A significant interruption or disruption in service at one of the terminals where we have a significant volume of flights could result in the cancellation or delay of a significant portion of our flights and, as a result, could have a severe impact on our business, results of operations, and financial condition. In addition, any changes to local laws or regulations within these key metropolitan areas that affect our ability to operate or increase our operating expenses in these markets would have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and operating results.

Disruption of operations at the airports or heliports where our terminal facilities are located, whether caused by labor relations, utility or communications issues or fuel shortages, could harm our business. Certain airports or heliports may regulate flight operations, such as limiting the number of landings per year, which could reduce our operations. Bans on our airport operations or the introduction of any new permitting requirements would significantly disrupt our operations. In addition, demand for our urban air mobility services could be impacted if drop-offs or pick-ups of fliers become inconvenient because of airport rules or regulations, or more expensive for fliers because of airport-imposed fees, which would adversely affect our business, financial condition, and operating results.

Our concentration in large metropolitan areas and heavily trafficked airports also makes our business susceptible to an outbreak of a contagious disease, such as the Ebola virus, Middle East Respiratory Syndrome, Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome, H1N1 influenza virus, avian flu, Zika virus, COVID-19, or any other similar illness, both due to the risk of a contagious disease being introduced into the metropolitan area through the high volume of travelers flying into and out of such airports and the ease at which contagious diseases can spread through densely populated areas, as seen with the spread of COVID-19 in Los Angeles, California and New York, New York.

Natural disasters, including tornados, hurricanes, floods and earthquakes, wildfires and severe weather conditions, such as heavy rains, strong winds, dense fog, blizzards, or snowstorms, may damage or impact our facilities, those of third-party aircraft operators, or otherwise disrupt flights into or out of the airports from which our flights arrive or depart. For example, our Northeast United States operations are subject to severe winter weather conditions, and our South Florida operations are subject to tropical storms and hurricanes. Less severe weather conditions, such as rainfall, snowfall, fog,

mist, freezing conditions, or extreme temperatures, may also impact the ability for flights to occur as planned, which couldreduce our sales and profitability and may result in additional expenses related to rescheduling of flights.

The occurrence of one or more natural disasters, severe weather events, epidemic or pandemic outbreaks, terrorist attacks, or disruptive political events in regions where we operate and where our facilities are located, or where our third-party aircraft operators' facilities are located, could adversely affect our business.

We are subject to risks associated with climate change, including the potential increased impacts of severe weather events on our operations and infrastructure.

All climate change-related regulatory activity and developments may adversely affect our business and financial results by requiring us to reduce our emissions, make capital investments to modernize certain aspects of our operations, or otherwise pay for our emissions. Such activity may also impact us indirectly byincreasing our operating costs. In addition, passenger demand may be negatively impacted by climate change concerns. As we consider purchasing aircraft, there could be additional costs and disclosure requirements if we were to own and or operate.

The potential physical effects of climate change, such as increased frequency and severity of storms, floods, fires, fog, mist, freezing conditions, sea-level rise, and other climate-related events, could affect our operations, infrastructure, and financial results. Operational impacts, such as the delay or cancellation of flights, could result in loss of revenue. In addition, certain of our terminals are in locations susceptible to the impacts of storm-related flooding and sea-level rise, which could result in costs and loss of revenue. We could incur significant costs to improve the climate resiliency of our infrastructure and otherwise prepare for, respond to, and mitigate such physical effects of climate change. We are not able to accurately predict the materiality of any potential losses or costs associated with the physical effects of climate change.

# Terrorist attacks, geopolitical conflict or security events may adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Terrorist attacks, geopolitical conflict or security events, or the fear or threat of any of these events, could have a significant adverse effect on our business, reputation and brand. Despite significant security measures at airports and heliports, the aviation industry remains a high-profile target for terrorist groups. Security events, primarily from external sources but also from potential insider threats, also pose a significant risk to our passenger and organ transport operations. These events could include random acts of violence and could occur in public areas that we cannot control. Terrorist attacks, geopolitical conflict or security events, or the fear or threat of any of these events, even if not made directly on or involving the aviation industry, could have a significant negative impact on us by discouraging passengers from flying, leading to decreased revenue. In addition, potential costs from these types of events include increased security costs, impacts from avoiding flight paths over areas in which conflict is occurring or could occur, such as flight redirections or cancellations, reputational harm and other costs. If any or all of these types of events occur, they could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our business is dependent on the availability of aircraft fuel. Continued periods of significant disruption in the supply of aircraft fuel could have a significant negative impact on consumer demand, our operating results, and liquidity.

Although aircraft operators are currently able to obtain adequate supplies of aircraft fuel, we cannot predict the future availability. Natural disasters (including hurricanes or similar events in the U.S. Southeast and on the Gulf Coast where a significant portion of domestic refining capacity is located), political disruptions or wars involving oil-producing countries, economic sanctions imposed against oil-producing countries (for example, the wars in Ukraine and the Middle East) or specific industry participants, changes in fuel-related governmental policy, the strength of the U.S. dollar against foreign currencies, changes in the cost to transport or store petroleum products, changes in access to petroleum product pipelines and terminals, speculation in the energy futures markets, changes in aircraft fuel production capacity, environmental concerns and other unpredictable events may result in fuel supply shortages or distribution challenges in the future. Any of these factors or events could cause a disruption in or increased demands on oil production, refinery operations, pipeline capacity, or terminal access and possibly result in diminished availability of aircraft fuel supply for our third-party aircraft operators or our potentially owned aircraft. The impact of such events may limit our ability to expand internationally, attract and retain fliers and commercial cursomers, and our third-party aircraft operators' ability to perform our by-the-seat flights, which could result in loss of revenue and adversely affect our ability to provide our services.

# Risks Related to Intellectual Property, Cybersecurity, Information Technology and Data Management Practices

System failures, defects, errors, or vulnerabilities in our website, applications, backend systems, or other technology systems or those of third-party technology providers could harm our reputation and brand and adversely impact our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

Our systems, or those of third parties upon which we rely, may experience service interruptions, outages, or degradation because of hardware and software defects or malfunctions, human error, or malfeasance by third parties or our employees, contractors, or service providers, earthquakes, hurricanes, floods, fires, natural disasters, power losses, disruptions in telecommunications services, fraud, military or political conflicts, terrorist attacks, cyberattacks, or other events. Our insurance may not be sufficient, and we may not have sufficient remedies available to us from our third-party service providers, to cover all of our losses that may result from such interruptions, outages, or degradation.

The software underlying our platform is highly complex and may contain undetected errors or vulnerabilities, some of which may only be discovered after the code has been released. We rely heavily on a software engineering practice known as "continuous deployment," which refers to the frequent release of our software code, sometimes multiple times per day. This practice increases the risk that errors and vulnerabilities are present in the software code underlying our platform. The third-party software that we incorporate into our platform may also be subject to errors or vulnerabilities. Any errors or vulnerabilities discovered in our platform, whether in our proprietary code or that of third-party software on which our software relies, could result in negative publicity, a loss of users or loss of revenue, access or other performance issues, security incidents, or other liabilities. Such vulnerabilities could also prevent fliers from booking flights, which would adversely affect our flier utilization rates, or disrupt communications with our operators (e.g., flight schedules or passenger manifests), which could affect our on-time performance. For example, we have experienced an error in our app that temporarily allowed a small number of users to log into and view a different user's profile. Although we quickly corrected the error after receiving user complaints, with no material adverse impact to our business, similar and more serious errors could occur in the future. We may need to expend significant financial and development resources to analyze, correct, eliminate, or work around errors or defects or to address and eliminate vulnerabilities. Any failure to timely and effectively resolve any such errors, defects, or vulnerabilities could adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations as well as negatively impact our reputation or brand.

We have experienced and will likely continue to experience system failures and other events or conditions from time to time that interrupt the availability or reduce or affect the speed or functionality of our technology platform. These events have resulted in, and similar future events could result in, losses of revenue due to increased difficulty of booking services through our technology platform, impacts to on-time performance, and resultant errors in operating our business. A prolonged interruption in the availability or reduction in the availability or other functionality of our platform could adversely affect our business and reputation and could result in the loss of customers. Moreover, to the extent that any system failure or similar event results in harm or losses to customers, such as the inability to book flights or monitor organ transports because of a system failure, we may make voluntary payments to compensate for such harm, or the affected customers could seek monetary recourse or contractual remedies from us for their losses. Such claims, even if unsuccessful, would likely be time consuming and costly for us to address.

We rely on our information technology systems to manage numerous aspects of our business. A cyber-based attack of these systems could disrupt our ability to deliver services to our customers and could lead to increased overhead costs, decreased sales, and harm to our reputation.

We rely on information technology networks and systems to operate and manage our business. Our information technology networks and systems process, transmit and store personal and financial information, proprietary information of our business, and also allow us to coordinate our business across our operation bases, and allow us to communicate with our employees and externally with customers, suppliers, partners, and other third parties. While we believe we take reasonable steps to secure these information technology networks and systems, and the data processed, transmitted, and stored thereon, such networks, systems, and data may be susceptible to cyberattacks, viruses, malware, or other unauthorized access or damage (including by environmental, malicious, or negligent acts), which could result in unauthorized access to, or the release and public exposure of, our proprietary information or our users' personal information. In addition, cyberattacks, viruses, malware, or other damage or unauthorized access to our information technology networks and systems, could result in damage, disruptions, or shutdowns to our platform. Any of the foregoing could cause substantial harm to our business, require us to make notifications to our customers, governmental authorities, or the media, and could result in litigation, investigations or inquiries by government authorities, or subject us to penalties, fines, and other losses relating to the investigation and remediation of such an attack or other unauthorized access or damage to our information technology systems and networks.

We rely on mobile operating systems and application marketplaces to make our apps available to users of our platform. If we do not effectively operate with or receive favorable placements within such application marketplaces and maintain high user reviews, our usage or brand recognition could decline and our business, financial results, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

We depend in part on mobile operating systems, such as Android and iOS, and their respective application marketplaces to make our platform available to customers. Such mobile operating systems or application marketplaces could limit or prohibit us from making our apps available, make changes that degrade the functionality of our apps, increase the difficulty of using our apps, impose terms of use unsatisfactory to us, or modify their search or ratings algorithms in ways that are detrimental to us. Additionally, if any future competitor's placement in such mobile operating system's application marketplace is more prominent than the placement of our apps, overall growth in our flier base could slow and the usage of our platform could be adversely affected. Our apps have experienced fluctuations in the number of downloads in the past, and we anticipate similar fluctuations in the future. Any of the foregoing risks could adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

As new mobile devices and mobile platforms are released, there is no guarantee that certain mobile devices will continue to support our platform or effectively roll out updates to our apps. Additionally, in order to deliver high-quality apps, we need to ensure that our offerings are designed to work effectively with a range of mobile technologies, systems, networks, and standards. We may not be successful in developing or maintaining relationships with key participants in the mobile technology industry to make, or continue to make, such technologies, systems, networks, or standards available to our users. If fliers on our platform encounter any difficulty accessing or using our apps on their mobile devices or if we are unable to adapt to changes in popular mobile operating systems, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

If we fail to adequately protect our proprietary intellectual property rights, our competitive position could be impaired and we may lose market share, generate reduced revenue, and incur costly litigation to protect our rights.

Our success depends, in part, on our ability to protect our proprietary intellectual property rights, including certain technologies we utilize in arranging air transportation. To date, we have relied primarily on trade secrets and trademarks to protect our proprietary technology. Our software is also subject to certain protection under copyright law, though we have chosen not to register any of our copyrights. We routinely enter into non-disclosure agreements with our employees, consultants, third party aircraft operators, and other relevant persons and take other measures to protect our intellectual property rights, such as limiting access to our trade secrets and other confidential information. We intend to continue to rely on these and other means, including patent protection, in the future. However, the steps we take to protect our intellectual property may be inadequate, and unauthorized parties may attempt to copy aspects of our intellectual property or obtain and use information that we regard as proprietary and, if successful, may potentially cause us to lose market share, harm our ability to compete, and result in reduced revenue. Moreover, our non- disclosure agreements do not prevent our competitors from independently developing technologies that are substantially equivalent or superior to our products, and there can be no assurance that our competitors or third parties will comply with the terms of these agreements, or that we will be able to successfully enforce such agreements or obtain sufficient remedies if they are breached. There can be no assurance that the intellectual property rights we own or license will provide competitive advantages or will not be challenged or circumvented by our competitors.

Further, obtaining and maintaining patent, copyright, and trademark protection can be costly, and we may choose not to, or may fail to, pursue or maintain such forms of protection for our technology in the United States or foreign jurisdictions, which could harm our ability to maintain our competitive advantage in such jurisdictions. It is also possible that we will fail to identify patentable aspects of our technology before it is too late to obtain patent protection, that we will be unable to devote the resources to file and prosecute all patent applications for such technology, or that we will inadvertently lose protection for failing to comply with all procedural, documentary, payment, and similar obligations during the patent prosecution process. The laws of some countries do not protect proprietary rights to the same extent as the laws of the United States, and mechanisms for enforcement of intellectual property rights in some foreign countries may be inadequate to prevent other parties from infringing our proprietary technology. To the extent we expand our international activities, our exposure to unauthorized use of our technologies and proprietary information may increase. We may also fail to detect unauthorized use of our intellectual property, or be required to expend significant resources to monitor and protect our intellectual property rights, including engaging in litigation, which may be costly, time-consuming, and divert the attention of management and resources, and may not ultimately be successful. If we fail to meaningfully establish, maintain, protect, and enforce our intellectual property rights, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

# We use open source software in connection with our platform, which may pose risks to our intellectual property.

We use open source software in connection with our platform and plan to continue using open-source software in the future. Some licenses governing the use of open-source software contain requirements that we make available source code for modifications or derivative works we create based upon the open-source software. If we combine or link our proprietary source code with open-source software in certain ways, we may be required, under the terms of the applicable

open-source licenses, to make our proprietary source code available to third parties. Although we monitor our use of open-source software, we cannot provide assurance that all open-source software is reviewed prior to use in our platform, that our developers have not incorporated open-source software into our platform that we are unaware of, or that they will not do so in the future. Additionally, the terms of open-source licenses have not been extensively interpreted by United States or international courts, and so there is a risk that open-source software licenses could be construed in a manner that imposes unanticipated conditions or restrictions on us or our proprietary software. If an author or other third party that distributes such open-source software were to allege that we had not complied with the conditions of an open-source license, we could incur significant legal costs defending ourselves against such allegations or remediating any alleged non-compliance with open-source licenses. Any such remediation efforts could require significant additional resources, and we may not be able to successfully complete any such remediation. Further, in addition to risks related to license requirements, use of certain open-source software can lead to greater risks than use of third-party commercial software, as open-source licensors generally do not provide warranties, and the open-source software may contain security vulnerabilities.

If we are unable to obtain and maintain adequate facilities and infrastructure, we may be unable to offer our existing Passenger flight schedule and to expand or change our Passenger route network in the future, which may have a material adverse impact on our operations.

In our Passenger segment, in order to operate our existing and proposed flight schedule and, where desirable, add service along new or existing routes, we must be able to maintain or obtain space for passenger terminals. As airports and heliports around the world become more congested, it may not be possible for us to ensure that our plans for new service can be implemented in a commercially viable manner, given operating constraints at airports and heliports throughout our network, including those imposed by inadequate facilities at desirable locations. Additionally, there is no assurance that we will be able to obtain necessary approvals and to make necessary infrastructure changes to enable adoption of EVA. Any limitation on our ability to acquire or maintain space for passenger terminal operations could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, and financial condition.

Blade leases and licenses exclusive passenger terminal infrastructure from airport and heliport operators in key markets. These leases, licenses, and permits vary in term, ranging from month-to-month permits to multi-year use and occupancy agreements that are coterminous with the airport or heliport operator's underlying lease with the municipality that owns the premises. While our experience with these multi-year use and occupancy agreements have led to long-term uninterrupted usage thus far, certain municipalities, including New York, retain the authority to terminate a heliport operator's lease upon as short as 30 days' notice. If a municipality exercised its termination rights, under certain conditions, our agreements with the airport or heliport operator would concurrently terminate. Termination of one or more of our leases could negatively impact our ability to provide services in our existing markets and have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, and financial condition.

We may require substantial additional funding to finance our operations, but adequate additional financing may not be available when we need it, on acceptable terms, or at all.

Prior to our recapitalization we financed our operations and capital expenditures primarily through private financing rounds. In the future, we could be required to raise capital through public or private financing or other arrangements. Such financing may not be available on acceptable terms, or at all, and our failure to raise capital when needed could harm our business. For example, unfavorable economic conditions, whether related to inflation, interest rates, economic instability or otherwise have, resulted in, and may continue to result in, significant disruption and volatility of global financial marketsthat could adversely impact our ability to access capital. We may sell equity securities or debt securities in one or more transactions at prices and in a manner we may determine from time to time. If we sell any such securities in subsequent transactions, our current investors may be materially diluted. Any debt financing, if available, may involve restrictive covenants and could reduce our operational flexibility or profitability. If we cannot raise funds on acceptable terms, we may not be able to grow our business or respond to competitive pressures.

Our international operations and any future international expansion strategy will subject us to additional costs and risks, and our plans may not be successful.

We have started expanding our Passenger segment internationally. In 2019, we entered into a joint venture in India (our "Indian Joint Venture"), in 2021, we expanded into Canada through the acquisition of the exclusive rights to Helijet International, Inc.'s passenger transportation services, in 2022, we expanded into Europe (France, Switzerland and Monaco) through the acquisition of the passenger transportation services of Héli Sécurité, Azur Hélicoptère and Monacair, and we may continue to expand our international operations into new countries. Operating outside of the United States may require significant management attention to oversee operations across a broad geographic area with

varying regulations, customs and cultural norms, in addition to placing strain on our finance, analytics, compliance, legal, engineering, and operations teams. We have, and may, incur significant operating expenses and may not be successful in our international expansion for a variety of reasons, including:

- · recruiting and retaining talented and capable employees in foreign countries and maintaining our company culture across all of our offices;
- · competition from local incumbents that better understand the local market, may market and operate more effectively, and may enjoy greater local affinity or awareness;
- · differing demand dynamics, which may make our offerings less successful;
- complying with local laws and regulatory standards, including with respect to data privacy and tax;
- obtaining any required government approvals, licenses, or other authorizations;
- · varying levels of Internet and mobile technology adoption and infrastructure;
- · costs and exchange rate fluctuations;
- · operating in jurisdictions that do not protect intellectual property rights to the same extent as the United States; and
- · limitations on the repatriation and investment of funds as well as foreign currency exchange restrictions.

As of December 31, 2023, our European market expansion has incurred integration issues and losses, resulting in an impairment of the carrying values of the purchased intangible assets related to our acquisition of the passenger transportation services of Héli Sécurité, Azur Hélicoptère and Monacair. We made these acquisitions following careful analysis and due diligence to achieve our desired strategic objective to expand internationally in the largest helicopter market globally than are most likely, in our estimation, to be improved following the introduction of EVA; however, the acquisition involved estimates, assumptions, and judgments, which have varied, and may continue to vary, due to slower than expected business integration, lower than anticipated operating results of the European expansion and our expectation of delays in the commercialization of EVA for use in Europe.

We hold a minority ownership stake in our Indian Joint Venture and do not hold any control rights over the operations of the business. As such, we cannot directly prevent actions which may result in losses or negative publicity. While we have implemented various measures intended to anticipate, identify, and address the risk associated with our lack of control, these measures may not adequately address or prevent all potential risks and may adversely impact our reputation and brand, which could adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations. In the future, we may enter into other joint ventures or licensing agreements that involve a similar lack of control, which could adversely impact our reputation and brand.

Our limited experience in operating our business internationally increases the risk that any potential future expansion efforts that we undertake may not be successful. If we invest substantial time and resources to expand our operations internationally and are unable to manage these risks effectively, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected. In addition, international expansion may increase our risks related to compliance with various laws and standards, including with respect to anti-corruption, anti-bribery, and trade and economic sanctions.

As part of our growth strategy, we may engage in future acquisitions that could disrupt our business and have an adverse impact on our financial condition.

We have and intend to continue to explore potential strategic acquisitions of assets and businesses, including partnerships, route acquisitions or joint ventures with third parties. Our management has limited experience with acquiring and integrating acquired strategic assets and companies into our business, and there is no assurance that any future acquisitions will be successful. We may not be successful in identifying appropriate targets for such transactions. In addition, we may not be able to continue the operational success of such businesses or successfully finance or integrate any assets or businesses that we acquire or with which we form a partnership or joint venture. We have and may continue to have impairment of intangible assets or goodwill related to our acquisitions. For example, during the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recognized an impairment charge for the exclusive rights to air transportation services associated with the acquisition of Blade Europe in the amount of \$20.8 million, which was included in intangible impairment expense within general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of operations and is part of the Passenger segment. The impairment was as a result of adjustments made to the near term projections for revenue, expenses and expected EVA introduction, to reflect our experience operating Blade Europe since September 2022 as well as expected delays in the commercialization of EVA.

Furthermore, the integration of any acquisition may divert management's time and resources from our core business and disruptour operations or may result in conflicts with our business. Any acquisition, partnership, or joint venture may reduce our cash reserves, may negatively affect our earnings and financial performance, and, to the extent financed with the proceeds of debt, may increase our indebtedness, and, to the extent acquired or financed through equity issuance, dilute our current investors. We cannot ensure that any acquisition, partnership, or joint venture we make will not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

## We may be unable to manage our future growth effectively, which could make it difficult to execute our business strategy.

If our operations continue to grow as planned, of which there can be no assurance, we will need to expand our sales, marketing, operations, and the number of aircraft operators with whom we do business. Our continued growth could increase the strain on our resources, and we could experience operating difficulties, including difficulties in hiring, training, and managing an increasing number of employees. These difficulties may result in the erosion of our brand image, divert the attention of management and key employees, and impact financial and operational results. In addition, in order to continue to increase our presence, we expect to incur substantial expenses as we continue to attempt to increase our route offerings, flight frequency, passenger terminal footprint, and employee base. The continued expansion of our business may also require additional space for administrative support. If we are unable to drive commensurate growth, these costs, which include lease commitments, marketing costs and headcount, could result in decreased margins and reduced profitability, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

Our insurance may become too difficult or expensive for us to obtain. Increases in insurance costs or reductions in insurance coverage may materially and adversely impact our results of operations and financial position.

We maintain general liability aviation premise insurance and non-owned aircraft liability coverage We believe our level of coverage is customary in the industry and adequate to protect against claims. However, there can be no assurance that it will be sufficient to cover potential claims or that present levels of coverage will be available in the future at reasonable cost. There is also no assurance that the current coverage is adequate to cover potential claims and that current policies may include certain policy exclusions that could decrease or eliminate coverage. Further, we expect our insurance costs to increase as we add routes, increase flight and passenger volumes and expand into new markets. It is too early to determine what impact, if any, the adoption of EVAs will have on our insurance costs.

If we decide to purchase and or operate aircraft, there could be additional insurance costs related to aviation hull, aviation liability, aviation premises, hangar, product, and or war risk insurance coverages. There is no assurance that insurance carriers would be able to provide us with sufficient insurance coverage or affordable premiums. If insurance coverage is not available, our insurance costs may increase and may result in our being in breach of regulatory requirements or contractual arrangements requiring that specific insurance be maintained, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Regarding other non-aviation insurance policies, we maintain a number of insurance policies, including directors' and officers' liability insurance, general liability insurance, property insurance, employment practices insurance, cyber insurance, and workers' compensation insurance, among others. If the costs of maintaining adequate insurance coverage increase significantly in the future, our operating results could be materially adversely affected. Likewise, if any of our current insurance coverage should become unavailable to us or become economically impractical, we would be required to operate our business without insurance, we could be responsible for paying claims or judgments against us that would have otherwise been covered by insurance, which could adversely affect our results of operations or financial condition.

We are highly dependent on our senior management team and other highly skilled personnel. If we are not successful in attracting or retaining highly qualified personnel, we may not be able to successfully implement our business strategy.

Our success depends, in significant part, on the continued services of our senior management team and on our ability to attract, motivate, develop, and retain a sufficient number of other highly skilled personnel, including finance, marketing, sales, technology, legal and support personnel. We believe that the breadth and depth of our senior management team's experience across multiple industries will be instrumental to our success. The loss of any one or more members of our senior management team, for any reason, including resignation or retirement, could impair our ability to execute our business strategy and have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations. Additionally, our financial condition and results of operations may be adversely affected if we are unable to attract and retain skilled employees to support our operations and growth.

Our company culture has contributed to our success, and if we cannot maintain this culture as we grow, our business could be harmed.

We believe that our company culture, which promotes accountability, attention to detail, communication, and support for others, has been critical to our success. We face a number of challenges that may affect our ability to sustain our corporate culture, including:

- · failure to identify, attract, reward, and retain people in leadership positions in our organization who share and further our culture, values, and mission;
- · the increasing size and geographic diversity of our workforce;
- · competitive pressures to move in directions that may divert us from our mission, vision, and values;
- the continued challenges of a rapidly-evolving industry;
- the increasing need to develop expertise in new areas of business that affect us;
- · negative perception of our treatment of employees or our response to employee sentiment related to political or social causes or actions of management; and
- · the integration of new personnel and businesses from acquisitions.

If we are not able to maintain our culture, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

Our financial results may fluctuate from quarter to quarter, which makes our results difficult to predict and may cause our results to fall short of expectations.

Our financial results may fluctuate from quarter to quarter due to a number of factors, including but not limited to the seasonality of our fliers' travel patterns and the demands of our Medical Customers, both of which are unpredictable and could impact the volume of air transportation missions we arrange in any given quarter. Our revenue from sales may fluctuate significantly from quarter to quarter, and our future quarterly and annual expenses as a percentage of our revenue may be significantly different from those we have recorded in the past. Our financial results in some quarters may fall below expectations. Comparing our financial results on a period-to-period basis may not be meaningful, and you should not rely on our past results as an indication of our future performance.

# Risks Related to Our Dependence on Third-Party Providers

We rely on our third-party operators to provide and operate aircraft. If such third-party operators do not perform adequately or terminate their relationships with us, our costs may increase and our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

We primarily rely on third-party contractors to own and operate aircraft. Should we experience complications with any of these third-party contractors or their aircraft, we may need to delay or cancel flights. We face the risk that any of our contractors may not fulfill their contracts and deliver their services on a timely basis, or at all. We have experienced, and may in the future experience, operational complications with our contractors. The ability of our contractors to effectively satisfy our requirements could also be impacted by any such contractor's financial difficulty or damage to their operations caused by fire, terrorist attack, natural disaster and public health threats. The failure of any contractors to perform to our expectations could result in delayed or canceled flights and harm our business. Our reliance on contractors and our inability to fully control any operational difficulties with our third-party contractors could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

If our third-party aircraft operators are unable to match our growth in demand or we are unable to add additional third-party aircraft operators to our platform to meet demand, our costs may increase and our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

We are dependent on a finite number of certificated third-party aircraft operators to primarily provide our services. In the event potential competitors establish cooperative or strategic relationships with third-party aircraft operators in the markets

we serve, offer to pay third-party aircraft operators more attractive rates or guarantee a higher volume of flights than we offer, we may not have access to the necessary number of aircraft to achieve our planned growth. Though we have successfully incentivized our operators to add aircraft to support our growth in the past, there is no guarantee we will be able to continue doing so without incurring costs. If our third-party aircraft operators are unable or unwilling to add aircraft, or are only able to do so at significantly increased expense, or otherwise do not have capacity or desire to support our growth, or we are unable to add new operators on reasonable terms, or at all, our business and results of operations could be adversely affected. As the urban air mobility market grows, we expect competition for third-party aircraft operators to increase. Further, we expect that as competition in the urban air mobility market grows, the use of exclusive contractual arrangements with third-party aircraft operators, sometimes requiring volume guarantees, may increase, as may the cost of securing their services.

Transportation for the hearts, lungs and livers that make up the vast majority of our Medical product line is typically requested only hours before therequired departure time. Our ability to successfully fulfill these requests is the primary metric by which Medical Customers evaluate our performance. The short turnaround times required in our Medical product line necessitate dedicated aircraft and crews. Historically, the combination of our Passenger and Medical demand has been enough to incentivize operators to provide dedicated aircraft and crews for this purpose, but there is no guarantee that will continue, particularly if demand for private aircraft continues to increase. As a result, we may need to own and/or operate aircraft in the future in order to maintain access to the number of aircraft required to support or growing business; ownership and operation of aircraft would result in additional risks.

If we encounter problems with any of our third-party aircraft operators or third-party service providers, such as workforce disruptions, our operations could be adversely affected by a resulting decline in revenue or negative public perception about our services.

Due to our reliance on third parties aircraft operators, we are subject to the risk of disruptions to their operations, which has in the past and may in the future result from many of the same risk factors disclosed in this "Risk Factors" section, such as the impact of adverse economic conditions and the inability of third parties to hire or retain skilled personnel, including pilots and mechanics. Several of these third-party operators provide significant capacity that we would be unable to replace in a short period of time should that operator fail to perform its obligations to us. Disruptions to capital markets, shortages of skilled personnel and adverse economic conditions in general, such as conditions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, have subjected certain of these third-party regional operators to significant financial and operational pressures, which have in the past and could result in the temporary or permanent cessation of their operations. We may also experience disruption to our regional operations if we terminate agreements with one or more of our current aircraft operators and transition the services to another provider.

Although our third-party aircraft operators are not currently experiencing workforce disruptions, we cannot predict the future actions of their workforce. Union strikes among airport workers or certain pilots of third-party aircraft operators may result in disruptions of our services and thus could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations. Any significant disruption to our operations as a result of problems with any of our third-party aircraft operators would have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, and financial condition.

In addition, we have entered into agreements with contractors to provide various facilities and services required for our operations. Because we rely on others to provide such services, our ability to control the efficiency and timeliness of such services is limited. Similar agreements may be entered into in any new markets we decide to serve. We are also at risk should one of these service providers cease operations, and there is no guarantee that we could replace these providers on a timely basis with comparably priced providers, or at all. Any material problems with the efficiency and timeliness of contract services, resulting from financial hardships or otherwise, could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, and financial condition.

Our third-party aircraft operators' insurance may become too difficult or expensive for them to obtain. If our third-party aircraft operators are unable to maintain sufficient insurance coverage, it may materially and adversely impact our results of operations and financial position.

Hazards are inherent in the aviation industry and may result in loss of life and property, potentially exposing us to substantial liability claims arising from the operation of aircraft. Safe operation of aircraft is primarily the responsibility of our third-party operators and they are primarily held liable for accidents, thus incidents elated to aircraft operation are covered by our third-party operators' insurance. A limited number of hull and liability insurance underwriters provide coverage for our third-party aircraft operators. Insurance underwriters are required by various federal and state regulations to maintain minimum levels of reserves for known and expected claims. However, there can be no assurance that underwriters have established adequate reserves to fund existing and future claims. The number of aviation accidents and the impact of general economic conditions on underwriters may result in increases in premiums above the rate of inflation.

If our third-party aircraft operators' insurance costs increase, such operators are likely to pass the increased costs to us, which could cause us to increase the prices paid by our fliers. Such cost increases could adversely affect demand for our services and harm our business. Additionally, under all aircraft operating agreements, our third-party aircraft operators have agreed to indemnify us against liability arising from the operation of aircraft and to maintain insurance covering such liability. However, there can be no assurance there will be no challenge to the indemnification rights or that the aircraft operator will have sufficient assets or insurance coverage to fulfill its indemnity obligations.

Illegal, improper, or otherwise inappropriate operation of branded aircraft by our third-party aircraft operators, regardless of whether they are operating aircraft on our behalf, could harm our reputation, business, brand, financial condition, and results of operations.

Some of our third-party aircraft operators operate Blade-branded aircraft on a non-exclusive basis, enabling them to utilize Blade-branded aircraft for flight operations unrelated to Blade. If our third-party aircraft operators were to operate Blade-branded aircraft, regardless of whether such aircraft is flying on our behalf, in an illegal, improper, or otherwise inappropriate manner, such as violating local noise-abatement regulations or ignoring suggested noise-abatement flight paths and procedures, we could be exposed to significant reputational harm. While we have implemented various measures intended to anticipate, identify, and address the risk of these types of activities, these measures may not adequately address or prevent all illegal, improper, or otherwise inappropriate activity by our third-party aircraft operators while flying Blade-branded aircraft. Further, any negative publicity related to the foregoing, whether or not such incident occurred while flying on our behalf, could adversely affect our reputation and brand or public perception of the urban air mobility industry as a whole, which could negatively affect demand for platforms like ours and potentially lead to increased regulatory or litigation exposure. Any of the foregoing risks could harm our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

We rely on third-party web service providers to deliver our offerings to users on our platform, and any disruption of or interference with our use of third-party web services could adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

Our platform's continuing and uninterrupted performance is critical to our success. We currently host our platform and support our operations using a third-party provider of cloud infrastructure services. While we have engaged reputable vendors to provide these services, we do not have control over the operations of the facilities used by our third-party provider, and their facilities may be vulnerable to damage or interruption from natural disasters, cybersecurity attacks, human error, terrorist attacks, power outages, and similar events or acts of misconduct. In addition, any changes in our third-party cloud infrastructure provider's service levels may adversely affect our ability to meet the requirements of users. While we believe we have implemented reasonable backup and disaster recovery plans, we have experienced, and expect that in the future we will experience, interruptions, delays, and outages in service and availability from time to time due to a variety of factors, including infrastructure changes, human or software errors, website hosting disruptions, and capacity constraints. Sustained or repeated system failures would reduce the attractiveness of our offerings. It may become increasingly difficult to maintain and improve our performance, especially during peak usage times, as we expand our service offerings. Any negative publicity or user dissatisfaction arising from these disruptions could harm our reputation and brand and may adversely affect the usage of our offerings, and could harm our business, financial condition, and results of operation.

#### Legal and Regulatory Risks Related to Our Business

Our business is subject to a wide variety of extensive and evolving laws and regulations, which may result in increases in our costs, disruptions to our operations, limits on our operating flexibility, reductions in the demand for air travel, and competitive disadvantages.

We are subject to a wide variety of laws and regulations relating to various aspects of our business, employment and labor, health care, tax, privacy and data security, health and safety, and environmental issues. Laws and regulations at the foreign, federal, state, and local levels frequently change, especially in relation to new and emerging industries, and we cannot always reasonably predict the impact from, or the ultimate cost of compliance with, current or future legal or regulatory changes. We monitor these developments and devote a significant amount of management's time and external resources towards compliance. Moreover, changes in law, the imposition of new or additional regulations or the enactment of any new or more stringent legislation that impacts our business could require us to change the way we operate or limit our ability to expand into certain jurisdictions, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and operating results.

Further, our business has been adversely impacted when government agencies have ceased to operate as expected including due to partial shut-downs or similar events. These events have resulted in, among other things, reduced demand for air

travel, an actual or perceived reduction in air traffic control and security screening resources, and related travel delays, as well as disruption in the ability of the FAAto grant required regulatory approvals, such as those that are involved when a new aircraft is first placed into service.

Our results of operations and the manner in which we conduct business may be affected by changes in law and future actions taken by governmental agencies, including:

- changes in law that affect the services that can be offered by us in particular markets and at particular airports, or the types of fares offered or fees that can be charged to fliers;
- restrictions on competitive practices (for example, court orders, or agency regulations or orders, that would curtail our ability to respond to a competitor);
- the adoption of new passenger security standards or regulations that impact customer service standards;
- · restrictions on airport operations, such as restrictions on the use of airports or heliports; and
- · the adoption of more restrictive locally-imposed noise restrictions.

Each additional regulation or other form of regulatory oversight increases costs and adds greater complexity to operations and, in some cases, may reduce the demand for air travel. There can be no assurance that the increased costs or greater complexity associated with our compliance with new rules, anticipated rules or other forms of regulatory oversight will not have a material adverse effect on us.

Any significant reduction in air traffic capacity at and in the airspace serving key airports in the United States or Internationally could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. Weaknesses in the National Airspace System and the Air Traffic Control ("ATC") system, such as outdated procedures and technologies, have resulted in short-term capacity constraints during peak travel periods or adverse weather conditions in certain markets, resulting in delays and disruptions of air traffic. Outdated technologies may also cause the ATC system to be less resilient in the event of a failure. For example, an automation failure and an evacuation, in 2015 and 2017 respectively, at the Washington Air Route Control Center resulted in cancellations and delays of hundreds of flights traversing the greater Washington, D.C. airspace.

Failure to comply with legal and regulatory requirements, such as obtaining and maintaining licenses, certificates, authorizations, and permits critical for the operation of our business, may result in civil penalties or private lawsuits, or the suspension or revocation of licenses, certificates, authorizations, or permits, which would prevent us from operating our business. Even when we believe we are in complete compliance, a regulatory agency may determine that we are not.

# We could be subject to litigation, which is expensive and could divert management attention.

We have in the past, and may in the future become, involved in legal actions and claims related in the ordinary course of business related to breaches of contracts, wrongful termination, injury, creation of a hostile workplace, discrimination, wage and hour, employee benefits, sexual harassment and other employment issues. Employees and former employees, from time to time, bring lawsuits against us regarding injury, creation of a hostile workplace, discrimination, wage and hour, employee benefits, sexual harassment and other employment issues. Companies that have faced employment or harassment-related lawsuits have had to terminate management or other key personnel and have suffered reputational harm that has negatively impacted their businesses. If we experience significant incidents involving employment or harassment-related claims in the future, we could face substantial out-of-pocket losses and fines if claims are not covered by our insurance coverages, as well as negative publicity. In addition, such claims may give rise to litigation, which may be time-consuming, costly and distracting to our management team.

In the past, following periods of volatility in the overall market and the market prices of particular companies' securities, securities class action or state stockholder lawsuits have often been instituted against publicly traded companies. We have been, and may in the future be, additional litigation and regulatory proceedings, including Section 220 Books and Records Demands, which could be used to file a derivative lawsuit against directors and officers. For additional information about litigation matters, see the section entitled "Business-Litigation".

The existence of litigation, claims, investigations and proceedings may harm our reputation, limit our ability to conduct our business in the affected areas and adversely affect the trading prices of our stock and/or other securities. The outcome of any claims, investigations and proceedings is inherently uncertain, and in any event defending against these claims could result in substantial costs and divert our management's attention and resources from other business concerns, which could significantly impact our business. Any adverse determination in any such litigation or any amounts paid to settle any such actual or threatened litigation could require that we make significant payments, incur legal and other costs, limit our ability to conduct business or require us to change the manner in which we operate.

We may be blocked from or limited in providing or offering our services in certain jurisdictions, and may be required to modify our business model in those jurisdictions as a result.

We face regulatory obstacles, including those lobbied for in local government, which could prevent us from operating our urban air mobility or Medical services. We have incurred, and expect that we will continue to incur, significant costs in defending our right to operate in accordance with our business model in many jurisdictions. To the extent that efforts to block or limit our operations are successful, or we or third-party aircraft operators are required to comply with regulatory and other requirements applicable to air transportation services, our revenue and growth would be adversely affected.

We currently operate passenger terminals out of several airports and heliports throughout the Northeast United States. These facilities are strategically located in close proximity to heavily populated areas. If these airports or heliports were to restrict access for rotor wing operations, our passenger volume and utilization rates may be significantly adversely impacted and certain existing or planned future routes may cease to be profitable for us to operate. New York has a limited number of hangar and helipad sites, which may limit our ability to expand operations to other locations within the state. While we do not require hangar space to operate our business, the availability of nearby hangar space is advantageous to allow our third-party aircraft operators to effectively support our business. In addition, communities near certain key heliports and airports, and the elected officials representing them, are concerned about noise generated by helicopters. Some of these communities have proposed new rules and legislation to reduce or eliminate helicopter flights from key Blade service areas, including Manhattan, Cogolin, Gassin, Grimaud, Ramatuelle and St. Tropez. For example, across the United States, proposed legislation in 2021 at local, city and state levels sought to limit helicopter flights over cities with certain population and density restrictions, though its our view such bills will not pass. Between June 1, 2023 and September 15, 2023, the local governments of Cogolin, Gassin, Grimaud, Ramatuelle and St. Tropez, will impose daily and weekly limitations on the frequency of helicopter movements from landing zones within their respective geographical areas. Moreover, the Town Board of the Town of East Hampton, New York is considering the temporary closure, or additional restrictions on the use, of the East Hampton Airport, following the expiration of FAA grant assurances in September of 2021. On February 15, 2022, the Company filed and others filed a petition in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Suffolk, alleging that the plan to close the East Hampton Airport violates New York's Environmental Quality Review Act and Article 78 of New York's Civil Practice Law and Rules. The court granted a temporary restraining order, which the respondents unsuccessfully tried to modify or partially stay. The court later consolidated this case with two other similar cases and on October 19, 2022 the court granted our and other petitioners' petitions in their entirety, which led to the respondents filing of Notice of Appeal. Additionally, the Company and other plaintiffs filed a complaint in the United States District Court, the Southern District of New York, against the County of Westchester, April Gasparri, and Avports for preventing them from operating at Westchester County Airport. The County of Westchester responded with counterclaims against the plaintiffs for violating Westchester County Airport's terminal use procedures and seeking a permanent injunction. The Company denies violating the terminal use procedures. If these or any similar efforts are successful, our business would be severely impacted and our growth opportunities in such areas

Failure to comply with federal, state, and foreign laws and regulations relating to privacy, data protection, and consumer protection, or the expansion of current laws and regulations or the enactment of new laws or regulations in these areas, could adversely affect our business and our financial condition.

We are subject to a wide variety of laws in the United States and other jurisdictions related to privacy, data protection, and consumer protection that are often complex and subject to varying interpretations. As a result, these privacy, data protection, and consumer protection laws may change or develop over time through judicial decisions or as new guidance or interpretations are provided by regulatory and governing bodies and such changes or developments may be contrary to our existing practices. This may cause us to expend resources on updating, changing, or eliminating some of our privacy and data protection practices.

Laws and regulations relating to privacy and data protection are continually evolving and subject to potentially differing interpretations. These requirements may not be harmonized, may be interpreted and applied in a manner that is inconsistent from one jurisdiction to another, or may conflict with other rules or our practices. As a result, our practices may not have complied or may not comply in the future with all such laws, regulations, requirements, and obligations. The failure to comply with such data protection and privacy regulations can result in fines, penalties, and the enforcement of any non-compliance, which could significantly impact our business operations.

The CPPA provides new data privacy rights for consumers in California and new operational requirements for companies doing business in California. Compliance with the new obligations imposed by the CCPA depends in part on how particular regulators interpret and apply them, and because the CCPA is relatively new, there is still some uncertainty about

how the CCPA will be interpreted and enforced. If we fail to comply with the CCPA or if regulators assert that we have failed to comply with the CCPA, we may be subject to certain fines or other penalties and litigation, any of which may negatively impact our reputation, require us to expend significant resources, and harm our business. Furthermore, CPRA, which amended and expanded the CCPA, including by providing consumers with additional rights with respect to their personal information took effect applying to information collected by businesses on or after January 1, 2022. We believe that the personal information we collect from California residents that use our app, the air transportation services we have offered in California in the past, and direct marketing to California residents for those services, as well as our plans to offer future services in California, have made and in the future will make Blade subject to compliance with CCPA and CPRA.

Moreover, as we offer and advertise our services in Europe, Canada, and Monaco, it is important to acknowledge the impact of privacy regulations in these foreign jurisdictions which we are subject to. The GDPR, PIPEDA, and DPA are known for their stringent requirements and can pose significant challenges for companies to comply with. Complying with such privacy regulations requires increased expenditure in human and financial resources which may negatively impact the financial conditions of our foreign operations.

We have in the past, and could be in the future, subject to data breaches. A significant data breach or any failure, or perceived failure, by us to comply with any federal, state, or foreign privacy laws, regulations, or other principles or orders to which we may be subject could adversely affect our reputation, brand, and business, and may result in claims, investigations, proceedings, or actions against us by governmental entities, litigation, including class action litigation, from our fliers, fines, penalties, or other liabilities, or require us to change our operations or cease using certain data sets. Depending on the nature of the information compromised, we may also have obligations to notify users, law enforcement, government authorities, payment companies, consumer reporting agencies, or the media about the incident and may be required to expend additional resources in connection with investigating and remediating such an incident, and otherwise complying with applicable privacy and data security laws.

Failure to comply with applicable privacy and security laws and regulations could result in a material breach of contract with one or more of our Medical Customers, subject us to enforcement actions and adversely affect our business and our financial condition.

The cost of compliance with the laws and regulations is high and is likely to increase in the future as we continue to develop new verticals in the Medical segment, including our Trinity Organ Placement Services product or "TOPS." Any failure or perceived failure by us to comply with applicable data privacy and security laws or regulations, our internal policies and procedures or our contracts governing our processing of personal information could result in negative publicity, government investigations and enforcement actions, claims by third parties and damage to our reputation, any of which could have an adverse effect on our operations, financial performance and business.

HIPAA privacy and security regulations extensively regulate the use and disclosure of PHI and require business associates to implement administrative, physical and technical safeguards to protect the security of such information. If we are unable to properly protect the privacy and security of PHI entrusted to us, we could be found to have breached our contracts with our customers and/or be subject to investigation by the HHS Office for Civil Rights ("OCR"). In the event OCR finds that we have failed to comply with applicable HIPAA privacy and security standards, we could face civil and criminal penalties. OCR has become an increasingly active regulator and has signaled its intention to continue this trend. OCR has the discretion to impose penalties without being required to attempt to resolve violations through informal means. Further, OCR may require companies to enter into resolution agreements and corrective action plans that impose ongoing compliance requirements. OCR enforcement activity can result in financial liability and reputational harm, and responses to such enforcement activity can consume significant internal resources. In addition to enforcement by OCR, state attorneys general are authorized to bring civil actions under either HIPAA or similar state laws, seeking either injunctions or damages in response to violations that threaten the privacy of state residents. Although we have developed and are implementing policies, processes and a compliance program infrastructure to assist us in complying with these laws and regulations and our contractual obligations, we cannot provide assurance regarding how these laws and regulations will be interpreted, enforced or applied to our Medical segment. Further, the FTC has prosecuted certain uses and disclosures of personal information and data breach cases as unfair and/or deceptive acts or practices under the Federal Trade Commission Act or under the FTC Health Breach Notification Act.

Environmental regulation and liabilities, including new or developing laws and regulations, may increase our costs of operations and adversely affect US.

In recent years, governments have increasingly focused on climate change, carbon emissions, and energy use. Laws and regulations that curb the use of conventional energy or require the use of renewable fuels or renewable sources of energy, such as wind or solar power, could result in a reduction in demand for hydrocarbon-based fuels such as oil and natural gas. In addition, governments could pass laws, regulations or taxes that increase the cost of such fuels, thereby decreasing demand for our services and increasing the costs of our operations by us or our third-party aircraft operators. More

stringent environmental laws, regulations, or enforcement policies could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, and results of operations.

# Risks Related to Ownership of Our Securities and Being a Public Company

We have identified material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting. If our remediation of these material weaknesses is not effective, or if we experience additional material weaknesses in the future or otherwise fail to maintain effective internal controls in the future, we may not be able to accurately report its financial condition or results of operations, which may adversely affect investor confidence in us and, as a result, the value of our common stock.

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal controls over financial reporting designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Our management is likewise required, on a quarterly basis, to evaluate the effectiveness of our internal controls over financial reporting and to disclose any changes and material weaknesses identified through such evaluation of those internal controls. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of our annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

In connection with the audit of our consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023, management concluded that our internal controls over financial reporting were not effective as of December 31, 2023, due to the existence of two material weaknesses as follows:

- The lack of effective IT General Controls in relation to:
  - · user access controls that adequately restrict user access to financial applications, programs and data affecting underlying accounting records, and
  - the change management controls for certain operational applications that ensure IT program and data changes are identified, tested, authorized and implemented properly.
- a number of control deficiencies in relation to the revenue process that, although not individually material in nature, in aggregate constitute a material weakness

These material weaknesses could impact our financial reporting such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of our annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis. While we have implemented Sarbanes-Oxley Act ("SOX") compliance software to assist in the overall evaluation and documentation of the design and operating effectiveness of our internal controls as described under "Item 9A. Controls and Procedures: Management's Plans for Remediation" and expect to have the two identified material weaknesses remediated during 2024, the work is ongoing, may be time consuming and costly, and there can be no assurance as to when we will successfully remediate these material weaknesses.

As discussed above, we have taken, and plan to take, a number of measures to remediate these material weaknesses; however, if we are unable to remediate our continuing material weaknesses in a timely manner or we identify additional material weaknesses, we may be unable to provide required financial information in a timely and reliable manner and we may incorrectly report financial information. Likewise, if our financial statements are not filed on a timely basis, we could be subject to sanctions or investigations by the stock exchange on which our common stock is listed, the SEC or other regulatory authorities. Failure to timely file will cause us to be ineligible to utilize short form registration statements on Form S-3 or Form S-4, which may impair our ability to obtain capital in a timely fashion to execute our business strategies or issue shares to effect an acquisition. In either case, there could result a material adverse effect on our business. The existence of material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting could adversely affect our reputation or investor perceptions of us, which could have a negative effect on the trading price of our stock. In addition, we have and will continue to incur additional costs to remediate material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting.

If our management is unable to conclude that our internal control over financial reporting is effective, or if Blade's independent registered public accounting firm is unable to express an opinion as to the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting, when required, lenders and investors may lose confidence in the accuracy and completeness of our financial reports and we may face restricted access to various sources of financing in the future.

If we fail to maintain an effective system of disclosure controls and internal control over financial reporting, our ability to produce timely and accurate financial statements or comply with applicable regulations could be impaired.

As a public company, we are subject to the reporting requirements of the Exchange Act, SOX, and the rules and regulations of the applicable listing standards of the Nasdaq. The requirements of these rules and regulations have increased and may continue to increase our legal, accounting, and financial compliance costs, have made some activities more difficult, time-consuming, and costly and have placed significant strain on our personnel, systems, and resources.

SOX requires, among other things, that we maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting. In particular, Section 404 of SOX("Section 404") requires us to perform system and process evaluation and testing of our internal control over financial reporting to allow management to report on, and our independent registered public accounting firm potentially to attest to, the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. Any failure to maintain effective disclosure controls and internal control over financial reporting could have a material and adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition and could cause a decline in the trading price of our common stock.

If we fail to develop and maintain effective internal control over financial reporting and disclosure controls and procedures, we may be unable to provide financial information and required SEC reports that a U.S. publicly traded company is required to provide in a timely and reliable fashion. Any such delays or deficiencies could penalize us, including by limiting our ability to obtain financing, either in the public capital markets or from private sources and hurt our reputation and could thereby impede our ability to implement our growth strategy. In addition, any such delays or deficiencies could result in our failure to meet the requirements for listing of our common stock on the Nasdao.

We are continuing to develop and refine our disclosure controls and other procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we will file with the SEC is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in SEC rules and forms and that information required to be disclosed in reports under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our principal executive and financial officers. We are also continuing to improve our internal control over financial reporting. In order to develop, maintain and improve the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures and internal control over financial reporting, we have expended, and anticipate that we will continue to expend, significant resources, including accounting-related and audit-related costs and significant management oversight.

Our Warrants are accounted for as derivative liabilities and are recorded at fair value with changes in fair value for each period reported in earnings, which may have an adverse effect on the market price of our common stock.

We are accounting for both the Public Warrants and the Private Placement Warrants as a warrant liability. At each reporting period, the accounting treatment of the Warrants will be re-evaluated for proper accounting treatment as a liability or equity, and the fair value of the liability of the public and private warrants will be remeasured. The change in the fair value of the liability will be recorded as other income (expense) in our consolidated statement of operations. The value of the liability related to the Warrants is determined by the warrants' market price, which is driven mainly by the share price of our common stock. Changes in the warrants' market price may have a material impact on the estimated fair value of the embedded derivative liability. As a result, our consolidated financial statements and results of operations will fluctuate quarterly, based on the share price of our common stock. If our stock price is volatile, we expect that we will recognize non-cash gains or losses on our Warrants or any other similar derivative instruments each reporting period and that the amount of such gains or losses could be material. The impact of changes in fair value on earnings may have an adverse effect on the market price of our common stock. See Note 2, 12 and 13 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information.

# The price of our securities may change significantly, and you could lose all or part of your investment as a result.

The trading price of our common stock and Warrants has been and in the future may again be volatile. The stock market experienced extreme volatility during part of 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023. This volatility often has been unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of particular companies. An investor might not be able to resell shares or Warrants at an attractive price due to a number of factors such as those listed in 'Risks Related to Our Business and Growth Strategy'. Broad market and industry fluctuations may adversely affect the market price of our common stock, regardless of our actual operating performance. In addition, price volatility may be greater if the public float and trading volume of our common stock is low.

# There is no guarantee that the Warrants will ever be in the money, and they may expire worthless.

The exercise price for our Warrants is \$11.50 per share. There can be no assurance that the Warrants will be in the money prior to their expiration and, as such, they may expire worthless. The terms of our Warrants may be amended in a manner that may be adverse to the holders. The WarrantAgreement between American Stock Transfer and Trust

Company, LLC, as warrant agent, and us provides that the terms of the Warrants may be amended without the consent of any holder to cure any ambiguity or correct any defective provision, but requires the approval by the holders of at least 50% of the then outstanding Warrants to make any change that adversely affects the interests of the registered holders. Accordingly, we may amend the terms of the Warrants in a manner adverse to a holder if holders of at least 50% of the then outstanding Warrants approve of such amendment. Our ability to amend the terms of the Warrants with the consent of at least 50% of the then outstanding Warrants is unlimited. Examples of such amendments could be amendments to, among other things, increase the exercise price of the Warrants, shorten the exercise period or decrease the number of shares of our common stock purchasable upon exercise of a Warrant.

We may redeem unexpired Warrants held by former EIC stockholders prior to their exercise at a time that is disadvantageous to those stockholders, thereby making such Warrants worthless.

We have the ability to redeem outstanding Warrants at any time prior to their expiration, at a price of \$0.01 per Warrant, provided that the last reported sales price of our common stock equals or exceeds \$18.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganizations, recapitalizations, and the like) for any 20 trading days within a 30 trading-day period ending on the third trading day prior to the date we send the notice of redemption to the Warrant holders. If and when the Warrants become redeemable by us, we may exercise our redemption right even if we are unable to register or qualify the underlying securities for sale under all applicable state securities laws. Redemption of the outstanding Warrants could force you to: (1) exercise your Warrants and pay the related exercise price at a time when it may be disadvantageous for you to do so; (2) sell your Warrants at the then-current market price when you might otherwise wish to hold your Warrants; or (3) accept the nominal redemption price which, at the time the outstanding warrants are called for redemption, is likely to be substantially less than the market value of your Warrants. None of the Private Placement Warrants will be redeemable by us for cash so long as they are held by the Sponsor (Experience Sponsor LLC) or its permitted transferees.

In addition, we may redeem Warrants (including Private Placement Warrants) for a number of shares of our common stock determined based on the redemption date and the fair market value of our common stock. Any such redemption may have similar consequences to a cash redemption described above. In addition, such redemption may occur at a time when the Warrants are "out-of-the-money", in which case you would lose any potential embedded value from a subsequent increase in the value of our common stock had your Warrants remained outstanding.

## We do not expect to declare any dividends in the foreseeable future.

We intend to retain future earnings, if any, for future operations and expansion and there are no current plans to pay any cash dividends for the foreseeable future. The declaration, amount, and payment of any future dividends on shares of our common stock will be at the sole discretion of our Board of Directors (or "Board"). Our Board of Directors may take into account general and economic conditions, our financial condition and results of operations, our available cash and current and anticipated cash needs, capital requirements, contractual, legal, tax, and regulatory restrictions, implications on the payment of dividends by us to our stockholders or by our subsidiaries to us, and such other factors as our Board may deem relevant. As a result, you may not receive any return on an investment in our common stock unless you sell our common stock for a price greater than that which you paid for it.

We may issue additional shares of common stock or other equity securities without your approval, which would dilute your ownership interest in us and may depress the market price of our common stock.

We may issue additional shares of common stock or other equity securities in the future in connection with, among other things, future acquisitions, repayment of outstanding indebtedness or grants to our directors, officers, and employees without stockholder approval in a number of circumstances. In addition, exercise of the Warrants would be dilutive. Our issuance of additional common stock or other equity securities could have one or more of the following effects:

- · our existing stockholders' proportionate ownership interest in us will decrease;
- · the amount of cash available per share, including for payment of dividends in the future, may decrease;
- · the relative voting strength of each previously outstanding share of common stock may be diminished; and
- · the market price of our common stock may decline.

We are a "smaller reporting company" within the meaning of the Securities Act, and if we take advantage of certain exemptions from disclosure requirements available to "smaller reporting companies," this could make our securities less attractive to investors and may make it more difficult to compare our performance with other public companies.

We are a "smaller reporting company" as defined in Item 10(f)(1) of Regulation S-K. Smaller reporting companies may take advantage of certain reduced disclosure obligations, including, among other things, providing only two years of audited financial statements. We will remain a smaller reporting company until the last day of the fiscal year in which (i) the market value of our common stock held by non-affiliates is greater than or equal to \$250 million as of the end of that fiscal year's second fiscal quarter, OR (ii) our annual revenues are greater than or equal to \$100 million during the last completed fiscal year and the market value of our common stock held by non-affiliates exceeds \$700 million as of the end of that fiscal year's second fiscal quarter. To the extent we take advantage of such reduced disclosure obligations, it may also make comparison of our financial statements with other public companies difficult or impossible.

We may incur significant costs associated with increased regulation as we transition from an "emerging growth company" to accelerated filer status.

We are currently an "emerging growth company" within the meaning of the Securities Act, as modified by the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012 (the "JOBS Act"), and we may take advantage of certain exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to other public companies that are not "emerging growth companies." As of December 31, 2024, we will no longer be an emerging growth company, as defined under the JOBS Act, and will no longer be able to take advantage of certain exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to emerging growth companies.

We will be faced with increased compliance regulation and disclosure requirements as we transition into accelerated filer status from "emerging growth company" status and these rules and regulations contribute to increased legal and financial compliance costs and make some activities time-consuming. In particular, we will be subject to new requirements, including, but not limited to, compliance with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404, enhanced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in our periodic reports and proxy statements, nonbinding advisory votes on executive compensation and stockholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved. In addition, we will no longer be able to use the extended transition period for complying with new or revised accounting standards available to emerging growth companies and will be required to adopt new or revised accounting standards as of the effective dates for public companies. Such changes may require us to incur additional costs for compliance.

Provisions in our charter and Delaware law may inhibit a takeover of us, which could limit the price investors might be willing to pay in the future for our common stock and could entrench management.

Our Certificate of Incorporation contains provisions that may discourage unsolicited takeover proposals that stockholders may consider to be in their best interests. These provisions include the ability of our Board to designate the terms of and issue new series of preferred shares, which may make the removal of management more difficult and may discourage transactions that otherwise could involve payment of a premium over prevailing market prices for our securities. These anti-takeover defenses could discourage, delay, or prevent a transaction involving a change in control of the Company. These provisions could also discourage proxy contests and make it more difficult for you and other stockholders to elect directors of your choosing and cause us to take corporate actions other than those you desire.

Our Certificate of Incorporation designates the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware as the sole and exclusive forum for certain types of actions and proceedings and the federal district courts as the sole and exclusive forum for other types of actions and proceedings, in each case, that may be initiated by our stockholders, which could limit our stockholders' ability to obtain what such stockholders believe to be a favorable judicial forum for disputes with the Company or our directors, officers, or other employees.

Our Certificate of Incorporation provides that, unless we consent to the selection of an alternative forum, any (i) derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of the Company; (ii) action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by, or any other wrongdoing by, any current or former director, officer, or other employee or stockholder of the Company; (iii) action asserting a claim against the Company arising pursuant to any provision of the DGCL or our certificate of incorporation or our bylaws; or (iv) action to interpret, apply, enforce, or determine the validity of any provisions in the certificate of incorporation of bylaws; or (v) action asserting a claim against the company or any director or officer of the Company governed by the internal affairs doctrine, shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be exclusively brought in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware or, if such court does not have subject matter

jurisdiction thereof, the federal district court of the State of Delaware. Subject to the foregoing, the federal district courts of the United States are the exclusive forum for the resolution of any action, suit, or proceeding asserting a cause of action under the Securities Act. The exclusive forum provision does not apply to suits brought to enforce any liability or duty created by the Exchange Act. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring an interest in any shares of our capital stock shall be deemed to have notice of and to have consented to the forum provisions in our certificate of incorporation. These choice-of- forum provisions may limit a stockholder's ability to bring a claim in a judicial forum that he, she, or it believes to be favorable for disputes with the Company or our directors, officers, or other employees or stockholders, which may discourage such lawsuits. We note that there is uncertainty as to whether a court would enforce these provisions and that investors cannot waive compliance with the federal securities laws and the rules and regulations thereunder. Section 22 of the Securities Act creates concurrent jurisdiction for state and federal courts over all suits brought to enforce any duty or liability created by the Securities Act or the rules and regulations thereunder.

Alternatively, if a court were to find these provisions of our certificate of incorporation inapplicable or unenforceable with respect to one or more of the specified types of actions or proceedings, we may incur additional costs associated with resolving such matters in other jurisdictions, which could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations and result in a diversion of the time and resources of our management and Board of Directors.

## Future sales, or the perception of future sales, by us or our stockholders in the public market could cause the market price for the common stock to decline.

The sale of shares of our common stock in the public market, or the perception that such sales could occur, could harm the prevailing market price of shares of our common stock. These sales, or the possibility that these sales may occur, also might make it more difficult for us to sell equity securities in the future at a time and at a price that we deem appropriate.

Pursuant to an Investor Rights Agreement, certain stockholders have the right, subject to certain conditions, to require us to register the sale of their shares of common stock under the Securities Act. By exercising their registration rights and selling a large number of shares, these stockholders could cause the prevailing market price of our common stock to decline

If these stockholders exercise their registration rights, the trading price of shares of our common stock could drop significantly if the holders of these shares sell them or are perceived by the market as intending to sell them. These factors could also make it more difficult for us to raise additional funds through future offerings of shares of common stock or other securities.

In addition, the shares of common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan will become eligible for sale in the public market once those shares are issued, subject to any applicable vesting requirements, lockup agreements and other restrictions imposed by law. As of December 31, 2023, approximately 9,512,751 shares of our common stock were reserved for future issuance under our 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan.

#### General Risks

If securities or industry analysts do not maintain coverage of us, if they change their recommendations regarding our common stock, or if our operating results do not meet their expectations, our common stock price and trading volume could decline.

The trading market for our common stock will depend in part on the research and reports that securities or industry analysts publish about us or our businesses. If securities or industry analysts do not maintain coverage of us, the trading price for our common stock could be negatively impacted. If one or more of the analysts who cover us downgrade our securities or publish unfavorable research about our businesses, or if our operating results do not meet analyst expectations, the trading price of our common stock would likely decline. If one or more of these analysts cease coverage of us or fail to publish reports on us regularly, demand for our common stock could decrease, which might cause our common stock price and trading volume to decline.

# We incur significant costs and obligations as a result of being a public company.

As a publicly traded company, we incur significant legal, accounting, and other expenses that we were not required to incur in the past. These expenses will increase once we are no longer an "emerging growth company" as defined under the JOBS ACT. In addition, new and changing laws, regulations, and standards relating to corporate governance and public disclosure for public companies, including Dodd Frank, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, and regulations related thereto and the rules and regulations of the SEC and Nasdaq, have increased the costs and the time that must be devoted to

compliance matters. These rules and regulations have increased and may continue to increase our legal and financial costs and divert management time and attention from revenue-generating activities.

#### Item 1B. Unresolved Staff Comments

Not applicable.

# Item 1C. Cybersecurity

#### Risk Management and Strategy

Blade's cybersecurity is overseen by our senior management team including leaders from IT, Product Development, Finance, HR, and Legal. Our Chief Financial Officer, Vice President of Engineering and the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors review the organization's cybersecurity at regular meetings, which are quarterly, and when specific situations arise.

Discussions in these meetings cover issues important to Blade's cybersecurity, which may include.

- Cybersecurity Threat Landscape: Emerging threats and trends;
- Incident Reports: Recent incidents and responses;
- · Vulnerability Assessments and Penetration Testing: Identified vulnerabilities, remediation progress, and penetration testing results;
- · Compliance: Adherence to laws, regulations, and standards;
- Security Policies and Procedures: Review and updates;
- Employee Training and Awareness: Training programs and awareness initiatives;
- Risk Management: Strategies to mitigate risks;
- · Technology and Security Infrastructure: IT security and new technologies;
- Cybersecurity Insurance: Coverage and policy adequacy;
- Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity: Readiness and plan effectiveness'
- Performance Metrics: Effectiveness of security posture.

The company maintains safeguards including employee training, incident response reviews and exercises, cybersecurity insurance, and business continuity plans to protect its assets. Processes are regularly reviewed by internal and external experts. A third-party cybersecurity program is used to minimize disruption to business and operations.

To date, the Company has not experienced any material cybersecurity incidents and expenses incurred from cybersecurity incidents were immaterial (including penalties and settlements, of which there were none). For a discussion of whether and how any risks from cybersecurity threats, including as a result of any previous cybersecurity incidents, have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect the Company, including its business strategy, results of operations or financial condition, see Item 1A. Risk Factors - "Risks Related to Intellectual Property, Cybersecurity, Information Technology and Data Management Practices", which are incorporated by reference into this Item 1C.

## Item 2. Properties

Our corporate headquarters is located in New York, New York. We use this facility for finance and accounting, legal, talent management, technology, marketing, sales and other administrative functions. We also maintain, primarily for the Passenger segment, branded terminals for the use of Blade fliers and customer experience personnel pursuant to leases, licenses or permits with operators of various heliports and airports in New York, New York, New Jersey, Nantucket, Massachusetts, Cannes, France, Nice, France and Monte Carlo, Monaco. Our wholly-owned subsidiary Trinity, which is part of the Medical reporting segment, operates from Tempe, Arizona, Blade Europe, which is part of the Passenger reporting segment, operates from offices in Cannes, France and Monaco.

# Item 3. Legal Proceedings

In the opinion of management, other than as described below, we are not involved in any claims, legal actions, or regulatory proceedings as of December 31, 2023, the ultimate disposition of which would have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

In July 2022, Trinity Air Medical, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc., received a federal grand jury subpoena seeking records related to the provision of transplant transportation services. On August 2, 2023, the Company received notice that the grand jury investigation into the transplant transportation services industry has been closed and that the Company is no longer bound by the obligations placed on it by the subpoena.

On February 8, 2024, and February 21, 2024, two putative class action lawsuits relating to the acquisition of Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc. ("Old Blade") were filed. The lawsuits are captioned McFee v. Affeldt, et al. ("McFee") and Drulias v. Affeldt, et al. ("Drulias") (Del. Ch. 2024). McFee asserts breach of fiduciary duty claims against the former directors of Experience Investment Corp. ("EIC Directors") and KSL Capital Partners Management V and alleges that the proxy statement related to the acquisition of Old Blade ("Merger Proxy") insufficiently disclosed EIC's cash position and the shareholder economics of the combined Company. Drulius asserts breach of fiduciary duty and unjust enrichment claims against the EIC Directors, the former officers of EIC, and KSL Capital Partners, LLC ("KSL"), and aiding and an abetting breach of fiduciary duty claim against KSL. The Drulias complaint alleges that the Merger Proxy insufficiently disclosed EIC's cash position, Old Blade's value prospects and risks, and information related to Old Blade's chief executive officer, who is also our current chief executive officer. The complaints seek, among other things, damages and attorneys' fees and costs.

## Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures

Not applicable.

## Part II

## Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity, Related Stockholder Matters And Issuer Purchases Of Equity Securities

#### **Market Information**

Our common stock is traded on The NASDAQ Capital Markets under the symbol "BLDE".

# **Holders**

On March 6, 2024, the Company had 31 holders of record of our common stock. In addition to holders of record of our common stock we believe there is a substantially greater number of "street name" holders or beneficial holders whose common stock is held of record by banks, brokers and other financial institutions.

#### Dividends

The Company has never declared or paid cash dividends on its common stock and has no intention to do so in the foreseeable future.

## Securities Authorized for Issuance Under Equity Compensation Plans

See Part III, Item 12 of this Form 10-K and Note 6 to the consolidated financial statements included herein for additional information.

# Item 6. [Reserved]

Not applicable.

# Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with other sections of this Annual Report on Form 10-K, including our consolidated financial statements and the related notes and other financial information included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

In addition to historical consolidated financial information, the following discussion contains forward-looking statements that reflect our plans, estimates, and beliefs. For important information regarding these forward-looking statements, please see the discussion above under the caption "Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements."

## Overview

Blade Air Mobility, Inc. ("Blade" or the "Company") provides air transportation and logistics for hospitals across the United States, where it is one of the largest transporters of human organs for transplant, and for passengers, with helicopter and fixed wing services primarily in the Northeast United States, Southern Europe and Western Canada. Based in New York City, Blade's asset-light model, coupled with its exclusive passenger terminal infrastructure and proprietary technologies, is designed to facilitate a seamless transition from helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft to Electric Vertical Aircraft ("EVA" or "eVTOL"), enabling lower cost air mobility that is both quiet and emission-free.

Blade operates in three key product lines across two segments (see Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements included herein for further information on reportable segments):

#### Passenger segment

- Short Distance Consisting primarily of helicopter and amphibious seaplane flights in the United States, Canada and Europe between 10 and 100 miles in distance. Flights are available for purchase both by-the-seat and on a full aircraft charter basis.
- Jet and Other Consists principally of revenues from non-medical jet charter and by-the-seat jet flights between New York and South Florida, revenue from brand partners for exposure to Blade fliers and certain ground transportation services.

## Medical segment

• MediMobility Organ Transport – Consisting primarily of transportation of human organs for transplant and/or the medical teams supporting these services. Blade also offers additional services including donor logistics coordination and support evaluating potential donor organs.

## **Blade Europe Acquisition**

On September 1, 2022, Blade acquired, through Blade Europe SAS, a wholly-owned French société par actions simplifiée subsidiary ("Blade Europe"), 100% of the share capital and voting rights of Héli Tickets France SAS ("Héli Tickets France"), a French société par actions simplifiée, which was then renamed "Blade France SAS" ("Blade France") and of Helicopter Monaco SARL ("Helicopter Monaco"), a Monegasque société à responsabilité limitée, which was then renamed "Blade Monaco SARL" ("Blade Monaco"). We refer to the three European legal entities (Blade Europe, Blade France and Blade Monaco) collectively as "Blade Europe". These acquisitions are part of Blade's growth strategy of leveraging its asset-light model, technology and recognized brand to aggregate the best use cases for urban air mobility. The routes in Southern France, Monaco, Italy and Switzerland, meet the criteria given the geography, short distances and large addressable markets. In addition these markets have connectivity to our existing service areas where the Blade brand enjoys recognition, creating the opportunity for cross pollination between our North American and European customer base. As a result of this acquisition and an Aircraft Operator Agreement Blade Europe entered into in connection with the acquisition, Blade gained the right to act as the exclusive air charter broker and/or reseller of air transportation services to be operated and provided by the operator Agreement ends on December 31, 2032 and it will automatically renew for successive three year periods.

## **Seats Flown**

The following table reflects the key operating metric we use to evaluate the Passenger segment:

	Year Ended De	ecember 31,
	2023	2022
Seats flown – all passenger flights	154,608	106,368

We define "Seats flown — all passenger flights" (Seats Flown) as the total number of seats purchased by paying passengers on all flights, whether sold by-the-seat or within a charter arrangement. Our long-term consumer-facing strategy is

primarily focused on growth in by-the-seat products, and we believe that Seats Flown is an important indicator of our progress in executing on this growth strategy. This metric is not always directly correlated with revenue given the significant variability in the price we charge per seat flown across our various products and routes. For products and routes sold by-the-seat, we fly significantly more passengers at a low price per seat; which is captured by Seats Flown. Passenger revenue is heavily influenced by the Jet and Other product lines where we typically fly fewer passengers over long distances at a high price. We believe the Seats Flown metric is useful to investors in understanding the overall scale of our Passenger segment and trends in the number of passengers paying to use our service.

#### **Our Business Model**

Blade leverages an asset-light business model: we primarily utilize aircraft that are owned and/or operated by third-parties on Blade's behalf. In these arrangements, pilots, maintenance, hangar, insurance, and fuel are all costs borne by our network of operators, which provide aircraft flight time to Blade at fixed hourly rates. This enables our operator partners to focus on training pilots, maintaining aircraft and flying, while we maintain the relationship with our customer from booking through flight arrival. For flights offered for sale by-the-seat, Blade schedules flights based on demand analysis and takes the economic risk of aggregating fliers to optimize flight profitability, providing predictable margins for our operators.

When utilizing third-party aircraft and/or aircraft operators, we typically pre-negotiate fixed hourly rates and flight times, paying only for flights actually flown, creating a predictable and flexible cost structure. Blade provides guaranteed flight commitments to some of our third-party operators through capacity purchase agreements, which enable Blade to ensure dedicated access to such aircraft with enhanced crew availability, lower costs and, in many cases, the ability to unlock more favorable rates when flying more than the minimum number of hours we guarantee to the operator. Additionally, a significant portion of Blade trips are flown by safety-vetted operators to whom Blade makes no commitments, providing us with additional flexible capacity for high demand periods.

We prioritize the use of dedicated aircraft under capacity purchase agreements, which provide better economics, but size our commitments significantly below our expected demand to limit the risk of a guarantee shortfall and then fulfill incremental demand through our network of non-dedicated operators. In 2023, approximately 46% of Blade's flight costs were pursuant to capacity purchase agreements that included flight volume guarantees from Blade.

Blade's proprietary "customer-to-cockpit" technology stack enables us to manage fliers and organ transports across numerous simultaneous flights with multiple operators around the world. We believe that this technology, which provides (i) real-time tracking of organ transports and passenger flights; (ii) profit/loss information on a flight-by-flight basis; (iii) customized portals for all relevant parties including pilots, accounting teams, operator dispatch, transplant coordinators and Blade's logistics team; and (iv) a customer-facing app for passenger missions, will enable us to continue to scale our business. This technology stack was built with future growth in mind and is designed to allow our platform to be easily scaled to accommodate, among other things, rapid increases in volume, new routes, new operators, broader flight schedules, international expansion, next-generation verticraft and ancillary services (e.g., last/first-mile ground connections, trip cancellation insurance, baggage delivery) through our mobile apps, website and cloud-based tools.

Our asset-light business model was developed to be scalable and profitable using conventional aircraft today while enabling a seamless transition to EVA, once they are certified for public use. We intend to leverage the expected lower operating costs of EVA versus helicopters to reduce the consumer's price for our flights. Additionally, we expect the reduced noise footprint and zero carbon emission characteristics of EVA to allow for the development of new, vertical landing infrastructure ("vertiports") in our existing and new markets.

## **Factors Affecting our Performance**

## Ability to attract and retain fliers in our Short Distance product line

Our success depends, in part, on our ability to cost-effectively attract new fliers, retainexisting fliers, and increase utilization of our platform by existing fliers. Historically, we have made, and expect that we will need to continue to make, significant investments and implement strategic initiatives in order to attract new fliers, such as flier acquisition campaigns and the launching of new scheduled routes. These investments and initiatives may not be effective in generating sales growth or profits. In addition, marketing campaigns can be expensive and may not result in the acquisition of additional fliers in a cost-effective manner, if at all. As our brand becomes more widely known, future

marketing campaigns or brand content may not attract new fliers at the same rate as past campaigns or brand content. If we are unable to attract new fliers, our business, financial condition, and results of operations will be adversely affected.

Our fliers have a wide variety of options for transportation, including business aviation, commercial airlines, private aircraft operators, personal vehicles, rental cars, taxis, public transit, and ride-sharing offerings. To expand our flier base, we must appeal to new fliers who have historically used other forms of transportation. If fliers do not perceive our urban air mobility services to be reliable, safe, and cost-effective, or if we fail to offer new and relevant services and features on our platform, we may not be able to attract or retain fliers or increase their utilization of our platform. If we fail to continue to grow our flier base, retain existing fliers, or increase the overall utilization of our platform, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected.

## Ability to attract and retain customers in our MediMobility Organ Transport and Jet and Other product line

Our MediMobility Organ Transport product line primarily serves transplant centers, organ procurement organizations and hospitals. Transportation for the hearts, lungs and livers that make up the vast majority of this product line is typically requested only hours before the required departure time. Our ability to successfully fulfill these requests with consistent pricing on the requested aircraft type, be it jet, turboprop or helicopter, is the primary metric by which Medical Customers evaluate our performance.

The organ transportation market is highly competitive and we compete for organ transportation business primarily on our ability to provide reliable, end-to-end air and ground transportation at competitive pricing. Increasingly, we compete directly with manufacturers of organ preservation equipment that also offer transportation or with providers that offer additional services, such as surgical organ recovery, that our customers find valuable. We may face increased competition as our Medical Customers may prefer a streamlined logistics offering, including services or technology that we cannot provide, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, and financial condition.

We utilize the same aircraft and aircraft operators in the Jet and Other business line of our Passenger segment. Historically, the combination of our Passenger and MediMobility Organ Transport demand, has been enough to incentivize operators to provide dedicated aircraft and crews for our use. However, there is no guarantee that we will continue to be able to secure dedicated aircraft at favorable rates, particularly given significant increases in demand for private jet aircraft in the United States in recent years. Periods of increased demand for private jets have historically led to increased charter costs and more limited availability in the spot jet charter market. Although this has not limited our ability to maintain or increase our access to dedicated jet aircraft at fixed prices in recent periods, jet charter, which makes up the majority of our Jet and Other business line, is highly competitive and volumes and pricing have historically been significantly influenced by overall market supply and demand.

#### Impact of inflation to our business

We generally pay a fixed hourly rate to our third-party operators, based on flight hours flown. These rates are susceptible to inflation and are typically renegotiated on a yearly basis, though some multi-year contracts have fixed rate increases. Some contracts with operators allow for pass-through of fuel price increases above a set threshold. To the extent we choose to own and/or operate aircraft in the future, we would be more directly exposed to inflation of aircraft operating expenses including pilot salaries, fuel, insurance, parts and maintenance.

We have historically passed through cost inflation to customers and most contracts with our MediMobility Organ Transport Customers automatically pass through any fuel surcharges, but there is no guarantee this will continue in the future.

## Passenger Expansion into New Geographic Markets

Our Passenger segment growth plan is focused on dense urban areas, primarily those with existing air transportation infrastructure that are facing increasing ground congestion. Growth in our Passenger segment will depend in part on our ability to successfully enter into new markets, create and introduce new routes, and expand our existing routes by adding more frequent flights. In these areas, our urban air mobility services can provide the most time savings for our fliers, and given the short distances involved, costs for our services can be comparable to luxury, private car services. Significant changes to our existing routes or the introduction of new and unproven routes may require us to obtain and maintain applicable permits, authorizations, or other regulatory approvals. In addition, EVA may be commercially viable sooner in these markets given that battery technology constraints may limit the range of early models. Large urban markets with

existing heliport infrastructure should be able to accommodate EVA while other cities may need several years to permit and build such infrastructure.

If these new or expanded routes are unsuccessful or fail to attract a sufficient number of fliers to be profitable, or we are unable to bring new or expanded routes to market efficiently, our business, financial condition, and results of operations could be adversely affected. Furthermore, new third-party aircraft operator or flier demands regarding our services, including the availability of superior routes or a deterioration in the quality of our existing routes, could negatively affect the attractiveness of our platform and the economics of our business and require us to make substantial changes to and additional investments in our routes or our business model. The number of potential fliers using our urban air mobility services in any market cannot be predicted with any degree of certainty, and we cannot provide assurance that we will be able to operate in a profitable manner in any of our current or targeted future markets.

## Development, approval and acceptance of EVA for commercial service

We intend to leverage the expected lower operating costs of EVA versus helicopters to reduce the price for our flights. Additionally, we expect the reduced noise footprint and zero carbon emission characteristics of EVA to allow for the development of new vertiports in our existing and new markets. However, EVA involves a complex set of technologies, which we rely on original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs") to develop and our third-party aircraft operators to adopt. However, before EVA can fly passengers or cargo, OEMs must receive requisite approvals from federal transportation authorities. No EVA aircraft are currently certified by the FAA for commercial operations in the United States, and there is no assurance that OEM research and development will result in government certified aircraft that are market-viable or commercially successful in a timely manner, or at all. In order to gain government certification, the performance, reliability, and safety of EVA must be proven, none of which can be assured. Even if EVA aircraft are certified, individual operators must conform EVA aircraft to their licenses, which requires FAA approval, and individual pilots also must be licensed and approved by the FAA to fly EVA aircraft, which could contribute to delays in any widespread use of EVA and potentially limit the number of EVA operators available to our business. There is no assurance that research and development will result in government certified aircraft that are market-viable or commercially successful in a timely manner, or at all.

We believe that Blade is well positioned to introduce EVA into commercial service, once available, for a number of reasons. In our Passenger segment, we believe our existing Short Distance routes will be compatible with EVA, which are initially expected to have a limited range, and our existing terminal space will accommodate EVA. Additionally, we believe that the last-mile transports we perform using helicopters or ground vehicles in our Medical segment may be compatible with EVA, reducing organ transport time and cost for our customers. Blade's unit economics are designed to be profitable using either conventional helicopters or EVA, even if early EVA do not deliver significant cost savings relative to helicopters. Moreover, Blade's asset-light business model and technology platform are operator and aircraft agnostic, enabling a seamless transition to EVA.

#### Seasonality

Passenger segment

Historically, we have experienced significant seasonality in our Short Distance product line with flight volume peaking during the quarters ended June 30 (Q2) and September 30 (Q3) of each fiscal year due to the busy summer travel season, with lower volume during the quarters ended March 31 (Q1) and December 31 (Q4).

Jet and Other revenue has historically been stronger in the first and fourth quarter (Q1 and Q4) given that our by-the-seat jet service between New York and South Florida has historically operated only between November and April. We discontinued this service in Q4 2023 and do not expect the seasonality in our Jet and Other revenue to be significant in 2024.

Medical segment

Historically, seasonality in our MediMobility Organ Transport business has not been significant.

## Key Components of the Company's Results of Operations

#### Revenue

Short Distance products are typically purchased using the Blade App and paid for principally via credit card transactions, wire, check, customer credit, and gift cards, with payments principally collected by the Company in advance of the performance of related services. The revenue is recognized as the service is completed.

Jet products are typically purchased through our Flier Relations associates and our app and are paid for principally via checks, wires and credit card. Jet payments are typically collected at the time of booking before the performance of the related service. The revenue is recognized as the service is completed.

MediMobility Organ Transport products are typically purchased through our medical logistics coordinators and are paid for principally via checks and wires. Payments are generally collected after the performance of the related service in accordance with the client's payment terms. The revenue is recognized as the service is completed.

#### Cost of Revenue

Cost of revenue consists of flight costs paid to operators of aircraft and cars, landing fees, ROU asset amortization and internal costs incurred in generating organ ground transportation revenue using the Company's owned cars.

## Software Development

Software development expenses consist primarily of staff costs and stock-based compensation costs. Software development costs are expensed as incurred.

## General and Administrative

General and administrative expenses principally include staff costs including stock-based compensation, depreciation and amortization, impairment of intangible assets, directors and officers insurance costs, professional fees, credit card processing fees and establishment costs.

#### Selling and Marketing

Selling and marketing expenses consist primarily of advertising costs, staff costs including stock-based compensation, marketing expenses, sales commissions and promotion costs. The trend and timing of our brand marketing expenses will depend in part on the timing of our expansion into new markets and other marketing campaigns.

# **Results of Operations**

The following table presents our consolidated statements of operations for the periods indicated (in thousands, except share and per share data):

	Year Ended December 31,				
	 2023	% of Revenue		2022	% of Revenue
Revenue	\$ 225,180	100%	\$	146,120	100%
Operating expenses					
Cost of revenue	183,058	81%		123,845	85%
Software development	4,627	2%		5,545	4%
General and administrative	95,174	42%		62,510	43%
Selling and marketing	10,438	5%		7,749	5%
Total operating expenses	293,297	130%		199,649	137%
Loss from operations	 (68,117)			(53,529)	
Other non-operating income (expense)					
Interest income, net	8,442			3,434	
Change in fair value of warrant liabilities	2,125			24,225	
Realized gain (loss) from sales of short-term investments	8			(2,162)	
Total other non-operating income	 10,575			25,497	
Loss before income taxes	(57,542)			(28,032)	
Income tax benefit	 (1,466)			(772)	
Net loss	\$ (56,076)		\$	(27,260)	
Net loss per share, basic and diluted	\$ (0.76)		\$	(0.38)	
Weighted-average number of shares outstanding, basic and diluted	73,524,476			71,238,103	

## Comparison of the Year Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

#### Revenue

Disaggregated revenue by product line was as follows:

		2023	2022			
	(in thousands, except percentages)					
Product Line:						
Short Distance	\$	70,700	\$ 44,986	57 %		
Jet and Other		27,876	29,35	5 (5) %		
MediMobility Organ Transport		126,604	71,779	9 76 %		
Total Revenue	\$	225,180	\$ 146,120	54 %		

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, revenue increased by \$79.1 million or 54%, from \$146.1 million in 2022 to \$225.2 million in 2023.

Short Distance revenue increased by \$25.7 million or 57% from \$45.0 million in 2022 to \$70.7 million in 2023. Growth in Short Distance revenue was primarily driven by the acquisition of Blade Europe in September 2022, contributing growth of \$19.8 million, increased volumes of Northeast helicopter charters for a \$1.1 million increase, growth in our New York by-the-seat airport transfer products for \$2.0 million, and growth in Canada for a \$1.9 million increase.

Jet and Other revenue decreased by \$(1.5) million or (5)% from \$29.4 million in 2022 to \$27.9 million in 2023. Decrease in Jet was driven primarily by the discontinuation of our seasonal by-the-seat jet service between New York and South Florida in the fourth quarter ended December 2023 for a \$1.7 million decrease, partially offset by increased brand partnership revenues for a \$0.4 million increase.

MediMobility Organ Transport revenue increased by \$54.8 million or 76% from \$71.8 million in 2022 to \$126.6 million in 2023. Growth in MediMobility Organ Transport was driven primarily by higher activity from existing clients, resulting in a \$29.4 million increase, as hospitals accepted more organs for transplant involving longer travel distances, increasing average flight hours per trip. The addition of new hospital clients resulted in a \$23.2 million increase and increased revenue per flight hour resulted in a \$2.7 million increase.

## Cost of Revenue

	Year Ended December 31,		ember 31,	
	2023		2022	% Change
	(in	thous	ands, except percentages)	)
\$	183,058	\$	123,845	48 %
	81 %	)	85 %	

For the year ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, cost of revenue increased by \$59.2 million or 48%, from \$123.8 million during 2022 to \$183.1 million in 2023 driven by increased flight volume and an increase in the average price per trip.

Cost of revenue as a percentage of revenues decreased by 4 percentage points from 85% to 81%, attributable primarily to (i) increased use of dedicated aircraft (which are more cost efficient) and increased revenue per flight hour in our Medical business; (ii) the acquisition of Blade Europe, which operates at a lower cost of revenue as a percentage of revenue compared with our corporate average; (iii) increased passenger volumes, higher passenger load factor (i.e., percentage of available seats filled) and higher average seat pricing (attributable to fare class adoption) for our New York by-the-seat airport transfer products; and (iv) a reduction in spot market jet charter costs, which decreased more quickly than our jet charter pricing. These improvements were partially offset by a lower passenger load factor on our seasonal by-the-seat jet service between New York and South Florida and our subsequent discontinuation of the service in the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2023.

#### Software Development

	Year Ended December 31, 2023 2022		
	 2023	2022	% Change
	 (in thou	sands, except percentag	ges)
Software development	\$ 4,627	5,545	(17) %
Percentage of revenue	2 %	4 %	

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, software development costs decreased \$(0.9) million, or (17)%, from \$5.5 million during 2022 to \$4.6 million in 2023, attributable primarily to a decrease in staff costs due to reduction in headcount and stock-based compensation versus the prior year period.

## General and Administrative

	Year Ended	Decembe	er 31,	
	 2023		2022	% Change
	 (in	thousands	, except percentag	ges)
General and administrative	\$ 95,174	\$	62,510	52 %
Percentage of revenue	42 %	)	43 %	

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, general and administrative expense increased by \$32.7 million, or 52%, from \$62.5 million in 2022 to \$95.2 million in 2023.

The primary drivers for the increase were: (i) a \$20.8 million impairment in Blade Europe's intangible assets, specifically its exclusive rights to air transportation rights (see Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements included herein) (ii) a \$11.5 million increase in staff costs, of which \$4.1 million is attributable to stock-based compensation, \$3.6 million is related to our acquisition of Blade Europe (September 2022) and \$2.8 million is attributable to increased headcount to support growth in Medical; (iii) a \$3.4 million increase attributable to a contingent consideration compensation (earn-out) in connection with the Trinity acquisition (see Note 11 - "Commitments and Contingencies" to the consolidated financial statements included herein); (iv) a \$1.4 million increase in intangibles amortization costs (primarily as a result of our acquisition of Blade Europe, which was included for only four months of the prior year); (v) a \$1.1 million increase across various general and administrative items in line with the company's growth and geographical expansion (including a \$0.9 million increase in rent and lease costs due to new leases); and (vi) a \$0.9 million increase in credit card processing fees in line with the higher revenue. Those increases were partially offset by a \$6.4 million decrease in corporate costs (M&A transaction fees, legal and professional fees and insurance costs).

## Selling and Marketing

	Year Ended	Decen	nber 31,	
	 2023		2022	% Change
	 (in	thousa	nds, except percenta	ges)
	\$ 10,438	\$	7,749	35 %
iue	5 %	)	5 %	

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, selling and marketing expense increased by \$2.7 million, or 35%, from \$7.7 million in 2022 to \$10.4 million in 2023. The increase is attributable primarily to: (i) a \$1.4 million in European marketing expenses (which were included for only four months of the prior year), primarily sales commission; (ii) a \$1.4 million increase in sales commissions attributable to MediMobility Organ Transport revenue growth from new clients; and (iii) a \$1.0 million increase in US marketing staff costs. Those increases were partially offset by a \$1.1 million decrease in US marketing media and promotional expenses.

## Other non-operating income (expense)

	Year Ended December 31,						
	 2023	2022	% Change				
	(in thousands, except percentages)						
Interest income, net	\$ 8,442	\$ 3,434					
Change in fair value of warrant liabilities	2,125	24,225					
Realized gain (loss) from sales of short-term investments	8	(2,162)					
Total other non-operating income	\$ 10,575	\$ 25,497	(59)%				

For the year ended December 31, 2023, other non-operating income consists mainly of: (i) \$8.4 million interest income, net of interest expense attributable to higher interest rates on our short-term investments and our money market funds in the current year period; and (ii) \$2.1 million non-cash income due to fair value revaluation of warrant liabilities as the value of the warrant liabilities fluctuates with the warrants' market price.

For the year ended December 31, 2022, other non-operating income consists of: (i) \$24.2 million non-cash income due to fair value revaluation of warrant liabilities as the value of the warrant liabilities fluctuates with the warrants' market price; (ii) a \$2.2 million realized loss from sale of short-term investments; and (iii) \$3.4 million interest income, net of interest expense. We earn interest income on our money market and short-term investments.

## Segment Results of Operations

We operate our business as two reportable segments - Passenger and Medical. For additional information about our segments, see Note 7 - "Segment and Geographic Information" in the notes to the consolidated financial statements of this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Segment Revenue, Segment Flight Profit and Segment Flight Margin

The following table presents our segment results for the periods indicated (in thousands, except percentages):

	Year Ended December 31,				
	2023			2022	% Change
Segment Revenue					
Passenger	\$	98,576	\$	74,341	33 %
Medical		126,604		71,779	76 %
Total revenue	\$	225,180	\$	146,120	54 %
Segment Flight Profit(1)					
Passenger	\$	19,444	\$	11,295	72 %
Medical		22,678		11,592	96 %
Total Flight Profit	\$	42,122	\$	22,887	84 %
Segment Flight Margin(1)					
Passenger		19.7 %		15.2 %	
Medical		17.9 %		16.1 %	
Total Flight Margin		18.7 %		15.7 %	

<sup>(1)</sup> See section titled "Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for more information.

## Passenger segment

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, Passenger revenue increased by \$24.2 million or 33%, from \$74.3 million in 2022 to \$98.6 million in 2023. The increase was attributable to a \$25.7 million increase in Short Distance and a decrease of \$1.5

million in Jet and Other. Refer to the disaggregated revenue discussion above under "—Comparison of the Year Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022—Revenue" for more details

Passenger Flight Profit increased by \$8.1 million or 72% for the year ended December 31, 2023, from \$11.3 million in the same period of 2022 to \$19.4 million in 2023. Flight Profit is defined as revenue less cost of revenue, and in 2022 excluding non-cash right of use "ROU" asset amortization. The increase was attributable primarily to (i) the acquisition of Blade Europe in September 2022; (ii) a reduction in spot market jet charter costs, which decreased more quickly than our jet charter pricing; (iii) increased passenger volumes, higher passenger load factor and higher average seat pricing for our New York by-the-seat airport transfer products; and (iv) increased helicopter charter volumes in the Northeast. These improvements were partially offset by a lower passenger load factor on our seasonal by-the-seat jet service between New York and South Florida and our subsequent discontinuation of the service in the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2023.

Passenger Flight Margin increased from 15.2% in the year ended December 31, 2022 to 19.7% in the same period in 2023. The increase was attributable primarily to: (i) the acquisition of Blade Europe, which operates at a higher average Flight Profit Margin compared with our Passenger average; (ii) increased passenger volumes, higher passenger load factor and higher average seat pricing for our New York by-the-seat airport transfer products; and (iii) a reduction in spot market jet charter costs, which decreased more quickly than our jet charter pricing. These improvements were partially offset by a lower passenger load factor on our seasonal by-the-seat jet service between New York and South Florida and our subsequent discontinuation of the service in the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2023.

## Medical segment

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, Medical revenue increased by \$54.8 million or 76%, from \$71.8 million in 2022 to \$126.6 million in 2023. Refer to the disaggregated revenue discussion above under "—Comparison of the Year Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022—Revenue" for more details.

Medical Flight Profit increased by \$11.1 million or 96% for the year ended December 31, 2023, from \$11.6 million in the same period of 2022 to \$22.7 million in 2023. The increase was attributable primarily to increased revenue from new and existing clients and an increase in average flight hours per trip.

Medical Flight Margin increased from 16.1% in the year ended December 31, 2022 to 17.9% in the same period in 2023. The increase was attributable primarily to an increase in average flight hours per trip, which reduces the margin impact of certain operator and facility fees we pass through to our customers at cost, increased revenue per flight hour, increased utilization of dedicated aircraft, which are more cost efficient, and higher volumes of ground transportation serviced by owned vehicles, which are more cost efficient than using third parties.

Segment Adjusted EBITDA

Segment Adjusted EBITDA is defined as segment income (loss) excluding non-cash items or certain transactions that are not indicative of ongoing Company operating performance and/or items that management does not believe are reflective of our ongoing core operations.

	2023		2022	% Change
Segment loss				
Passenger	\$	(33,503)	\$ (14,029)	139 %
Medical		(1,388)	(2,930)	(53) %
Total segment loss	\$	(34,891)	\$ (16,959)	106 %
Segment Adjusted EBITDA(1)				
Passenger	\$	(4,988)	\$ (6,367)	(22) %
Medical		10,754	5,116	110 %
Total segment Adjusted EBITDA	\$	5,766	\$ (1,251)	NM(2)

<sup>(1)</sup> See section titled "Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Financial Measures" for more information and reconciliations to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure.

(2) Percentage not meaningful.

#### Passenger segment

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, Passenger net loss increased by \$19.5 million or (139)%, from \$(14.0) million in 2022 to \$(33.5) million in 2023. The increase in net loss is attributable primarily to a \$20.8 million impairment in Blade Europe's intangible assets, specifically its exclusive rights to air transportation rights (see Note 4 to the consolidated financial statements included herein), the acquisition of Blade Europe, which operated at a net loss during the period; and a \$1.0 million increase in marketing staff costs (\$0.3 million is attributable to stock-based compensation) due to increased headcount. The increase in net loss was partially offset by higher Flight Profit in the US and Canada of \$4.3 million, a decrease of \$1.2 million in legal fees and a decrease of \$1.1 million in US marketing media and promotional expenses.

Passenger Adjusted EBITDA increased by \$1.4 million or 22% for the year ended December 31, 2023 from \$(6.4) million in the same period of 2022 to \$(5.0) million in 2023. The increase is attributable primarily to higher Flight Profit in the US and Canada of \$4.3 million and a decrease of \$1.1 million in US marketing media and promotional expenses, this improvement was partially offset by the acquisition of Blade Europe, which operated at a negative Adjusted EBITDA during the period; and a \$0.7 million increase in marketing staff costs due to increased headcount.

## Medical segment

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, Medical net loss decreased by \$1.5 million or 53%, from \$(2.9) million in 2022 to \$(1.4) million in 2023. The decrease in net loss is attributable to an \$11.1 million increase in Flight Profit driven by (i) higher trip volumes and increased flight hours per trip, (ii) increased utilization of dedicated aircraft, which are more cost efficient, and (iii) higher volumes of ground transportation serviced with our internal car fleet, as we continue to add owned vehicles (which are more cost efficient) to provide integrated ground transfers in key markets. The decrease in net loss were partially offset by a \$3.4 million increase in contingent consideration compensation (earn-out) expense in connection with the Trinity acquisition (2023 is the last year subject to an earn-out payment), a \$4.7 million increase in fixed costs, primarily staff costs in order to support the higher activity, and a \$1.4 million increase in sales commissions attributable to revenue growth from new clients.

Medical Adjusted EBITDA increased by \$5.6 million or 110%, for the year ended December 31, 2023 from \$5.1 million in same period of 2022 to \$10.8 million in 2023. The increase is attributable to an \$11.1 million increase in Flight Profit driven by (i) higher trip volumes and increased flight hours per trip (ii) increased utilization of dedicated aircraft, which are more cost efficient, and (iii) higher volumes of ground transportation serviced with our internal car fleet, as we continue to add owned vehicles (which are more cost efficient) to provide integrated ground transfers in key markets. Those increases were partially offset by a \$4.1 million increase in fixed costs, primarily staff costs in order to support the higher activity, and a \$1.4 million increase in sales commissions attributable to revenue growth from new clients.

#### **Reconciliations of Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

Certain non-GAAP measures included in this segment results of operations review have been derived from amounts calculated in accordance with GAAP but are not themselves GAAP measures. Blade believes that the non-GAAP measure discussed below, viewed in addition to and not in lieu of our reported U.S. GAAP results, provide useful information to investors by providing a more focused measure of operating results, enhance the overall understanding of past financial performance and future prospects, and allow for greater transparency with respect to key metrics used by management in its financial and operational decision making. The non-GAAP measure presented herein may not be comparable to similarly titled measures presented by other companies. These include Flight Profit, Flight Margin and Segment Adjusted EBITDA, which we define, explain the use of and reconcile to the nearest GAAP financial measure below.

Segment Flight Profit and Flight Margin

Flight Profit is calculated as revenue less cost of revenue excluding non-cash timing of ROU asset amortization. Cost of revenue consists of flight costs paid to operators or aircraft and cars, landing fees and internal costs incurred in generating organ ground transportation revenue using the Company's owned cars. Flight Margin is calculated as Flight Profit divided by revenue.

Flight Profit and Flight Margin are measures that management uses to assess the performance of the business. Blade believes that Flight Profit and Flight Margin provide a more accurate measure of the profitability of the Company's flight and ground operations, as they focus solely on the direct costs associated with those operations. Blade believes the exclusion of the ROU asset amortization from Flight Profit and Flight Margin is helpful as it better represents the Company's actual payable expenses in

exchange for the flights served by the operators in the fourth quarter. We also believe that excluding this non-cash ROU amortization expense will aid in comparing to prior and future periods as we do not expect it to re-occur after the fourth quarter of 2022.

The following table shows a reconciliation of segment revenue to segment Flight Profit and segment loss:

	Year Ended December 31, 2023				Year Ended December 31, 2022			
	Passenger		Medical		Passenger			Medical
Revenue	\$	98,576	\$	126,604	\$	74,341	\$	71,779
Cost of revenue		(79,132)		(103,926)		(63,658)		(60,187)
Non-cash timing of ROU asset amortization		_				612		
Flight Profit	\$	19,444	\$	22,678	\$	11,295	\$	11,592
Flight Margin		19.7 %		17.9 %		15.2 %		16.1 %
Flight Profit	\$	19,444	\$	22,678	\$	11,295	\$	11,592
Reconciling items:								
Non-cash timing of ROU asset amortization		_		_		(612)		_
All other operating expenses(1)		(52,947)		(24,066)		(24,712)		(14,522)
Segment loss	\$	(33,503)	\$	(1,388)	\$	(14,029)	\$	(2,930)

<sup>(1)</sup> All other operating expenses refer to the total of software development, general and administrative and selling and marketing expense.

## Segment Adjusted EBITDA

Segment Adjusted EBITDA is defined as segment income (loss) excluding non-cash items or certain transactions that are not indicative of ongoing Company operating performance and / or items that management does not believe are reflective of our ongoing core operations (as shown in the table below).

	Year Ended December 31, 2023			Year Ended December 31, 2022			
	 Passenger	Medical	Passenger	Medical			
		(in thoi	ısands)				
Segment loss	\$ (33,503)	\$ (1,388)	\$ (14,029)	\$ (2,930)			
Reconciling items:							
Depreciation and amortization	5,204	1,703	3,949	1,488			
Stock-based compensation	1,497	705	1,227	269			
Impairment of intangible assets	20,753	_	_	_			
Legal and regulatory advocacy fees(1)	686	_	1,874	_			
Executive severance costs	375	_	_	_			
Contingent consideration compensation (earn-out)(2)	_	9,734	_	6,289			
Non-cash timing of ROU asset amortization(3)	_	_	612	_			
Segment Adjusted EBITDA	\$ (4,988)	\$ 10,754	\$ (6,367)	\$ 5,116			

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents certain legal and regulatory advocacy fees for specific matters (primarily the proposed restrictions at East Hampton Airport and the potential operational restrictions on large jet aircraft at Westchester Airport) that we do not consider representative of legal and regulatory advocacy costs that we will incur from time to time in the ordinary course of our business. It is worth noting that we do not anticipate incurring any further legal fees related to the Westchester litigation.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents contingent consideration compensation of \$10,073 in connection with the Trinity acquisition in respect of 2023 results and a \$339 credit recorded in connection with the settlement of the equity-based portion of Trinity's contingent consideration that was paid in the first quarter of 2023 in respect of 2022 results. 2023 is the last year subject to an earn-out payment.

<sup>(3)</sup> We believe that excluding this non-cash ROU asset amortization expense will aid in comparing to prior and future periods as we do not expect it to re-occur after the fourth quarter of 2022.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

## Sources of Liquidity

As of December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, we had total liquidity of \$166.1 million and \$192.1 million, respectively, consisting of cash and cash equivalents of \$27.9 million and \$41.3 million, respectively, and short-term investments of \$138.3 million and \$150.7 million, respectively. In addition, as of December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, we had restricted cash of \$1.1 million and \$3.1 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2023, \$138.3 million of short-term investments consisted of securities that are traded in highly liquid markets.

With \$166.1 million of total liquid funds as of December 31, 2023, we anticipate that we have sufficient funds to meet our current operational needs for at least the next 12 months from the date of filing this Annual Report.

#### Liquidity Requirements

As of December 31, 2023, the Company had net working capital of \$170.8 million, zero debt, cash and cash equivalents of \$27.9 million and short-term investments of \$138.3 million. The Company had net losses of \$56.1 million and \$27.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

In the course of our business, we have certain contractual relationships with third-party aircraft operators pursuant to which we may be contingently required to make payments in the future. As of December 31, 2023, we had commitments to purchase flights from various aircraft operators with aggregate minimum flight purchase guarantees of \$14.0 million and \$21.6 million for the years ending December 31, 2024 and 2025, respectively. \$5.0 million and \$13.3 million, respectively, of which may be cancelled by us immediately if a government authority enacts travel restrictions and \$3.1 million and \$0.0 million, respectively, of which could be terminated by Blade for convenience upon 30 or 60 days' notice with the annual minimum guarantee being pro-rated as of the termination date. See "—Capacity Purchase Agreements" within Note 11 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information and for information about future periods. Additionally, the Company has operating lease obligations related to real estate and vehicles with expected annual minimum lease payments of \$1.9 million and \$0.9 million for the years ending December 31, 2024 and 2025, respectively. See Note 5 "Right-of-Use Asset and Operating Lease Liability" to the consolidated financial statements for additional information about future periods.

We have non-cancellable commitments which primarily relate to cloud services and other items in the ordinary course of business. The amounts are determined based on the non-cancellable quantities to which we are contractually obligated. In December 2023, the Company entered into a technology service agreement with a vendor for cloud computing services where we are committed to spend \$0.6 million and \$1.1 million for the years ending December 31, 2024 and 2025, respectively.

In addition, as of December 31, 2023, the Company anticipates making an earn-out payment related to the Trinity acquisition of approximately \$10.1 million, of which \$7.1 million is in cash (2023 is the last year subject to an earn-out payment). This amount is expected to be paid in the first quarter of 2024, in respect of the year ended December 31, 2023.

We expect to incur net losses in the short term, as we continue to execute our strategic initiatives. Based on our current liquidity, we believe that no additional capital will be needed to execute our current business plan over the next 12 months. Our longer term liquidity requirement will depend on many factors including the pace of our expansion into new markets, our ability to attract and retain customers for our existing products, capital expenditures and acquisitions.

## Cash Flows

The following table summarizes our cash flows for the periods indicated:

	 Year Ended December 31,			
	2023 2			
	(in thousands)			
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (32,349) \$	(37,130)		
Net cash provided by investing activities	17,089	79,340		
Net cash used in financing activities	(76)	(1,084)		
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes on cash balances	 (66)	72		
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash	(15,402)	41,198		

#### Cash Used In Operating Activities

For the year ended December 31, 2023, net cash used in operating activities was \$32.3 million, driven by a net loss of \$56.1 million and \$6.7 million of cash used for working capital requirements, adjusted for non-cash items consisting of impairment of intangible assets of \$20.8 million, stock-based compensation expense of \$12.5 million, depreciation and amortization of \$7.1 million, non-cash accretion of interest income on held-to-maturity securities of \$6.5 million, income from change in fair value of warrant liabilities of \$2.1 million, and a deferred tax benefit of \$1.5 million. The \$6.7 million of cash used for working capital requirements was primarily driven by an increase in accounts receivable of \$10.3 million (attributable to the rapid revenue growth in MediMobility Organ Transport), an increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets of \$6.0 million, driven by prepayments made to operators in connection with capacity purchase agreements; partially offset by an increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses of \$9.0 million, driven by the accrual for the Trinity contingent consideration compensation payment and for the 2023 short term incentive plan, and an increase in lease liabilities of \$0.4 million.

For the year ended December 31, 2022, net cash used in operating activities was \$37.1 million, primarily driven by a net loss of \$27.3 million and \$17.0 thousand cash used for working capital requirements, adjusted for non-cash items consisting of income from change in fair value of warrant liabilities of \$24.2 million, stock-based compensation expense of \$8.3 million, depreciation and amortization of \$5.7 million, realized loss of \$2.2 million from the sale of short-term investments, accretion of interest income on held-to-maturity securities of \$1.1 million, and a deferred tax benefit of \$0.8 million. The \$17.0 thousand cash used for working capital requirements was primarily driven by an increase in accounts receivable of \$5.3 million, due to the rapid growth in MediMobility Organ Transport, an increase in prepaid expenses and other current assets of \$5.3 million, driven by prepayments to operators in connection with new capacity purchase agreements, and an increase in other non-current assets of \$0.7 million driven by an office lease deposit; fully offset by an increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses of \$9.9 million, driven by timing of accruing for the Trinity contingent consideration compensation payment and for the 2022 short term incentive plan, an increase in deferred revenue of \$0.7 million (driven by client prepayments), and a \$0.6 million increase in lease liabilities (attributable to new leases entered into in 2022).

## Cash Provided by Investing Activities

For the year ended December 31, 2023, net cash provided by investing activities was \$17.1 million, driven by \$264.5 million of proceeds from maturities of held-to-maturity investments, \$20.5 million of proceeds from the sales of other short-term investments, offset by \$265.8 million in purchases of held-to-maturity investments, \$2.1 million in purchases of property and equipment, consisting of leasehold improvements, furniture and fixtures for lounges used by the Passenger segment, and vehicles used by the Medical segment.

For the year ended December 31, 2022, net cash provided by investing activities was \$79.3 million, driven by \$258.4 million of proceeds from the sales of other short-term investments, \$98.0 million of proceeds from maturities of held-to-maturity investments, partially offset by \$227.3 million in purchases of held-to-maturity investments, \$48.1 million in consideration paid for the acquisition of Blade Europe, \$0.7 million in purchases of other short-term investments, \$0.7 million in purchases of property and equipment, consisting of leasehold improvements and vehicles, and \$0.2 million additional investment in the joint venture in India.

#### Cash Used In Financing Activities

For the year ended December 31, 2023, net cash used in financing activities was \$0.1 million, reflecting \$0.1 million cash paid for payroll tax payments on behalf of employees in exchange for shares withheld by the Company ("net share settlement"), partially offset by \$0.1 million of proceeds from the exercise of stock options.

For the year ended December 31, 2022, net cash used in financing activities was \$1.1 million, reflecting \$1.2 million cash paid for payroll tax payments on behalf of employees in exchange for shares withheld by the Company ("net share settlement"), partially offset by \$0.1 million of proceeds from the exercise of stock options.

## **Critical Accounting Estimates**

This discussion and analysis of the Company's financial condition and results of operations is based on the Company's consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America, or U.S. GAAP. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reported periods. In accordance with U.S. GAAP, the Company bases its estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions the Company believes are reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

We consider an accounting estimate to be critical if: (1) the accounting estimate requires us to make assumptions about matters that were highly uncertain at the time the accounting estimate was made, and (2) changes in the estimate that are reasonably likely to occur from period to period, or use of different estimates that we reasonably could have used in the current period, would have a material impact on our financial condition or results of operations.

We believe that of our significant accounting policies, which are described in the notes to the consolidated financial statements, the following accounting policies involve a greater degree of judgments, estimates and assumptions. Accordingly, these are the policies that we believe are the most critical to aid in fully understanding and evaluating our consolidated financial condition and results of operations. For information on the Company's significant accounting policies and estimates refer to Note 2 "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies" and to "Use of Estimates" section of Note 1 "Business and Basis of Presentation" in the consolidated financial statements.

## **Business Combinations**

We allocate the fair value of purchase consideration to the tangible assets acquired, liabilities assumed, and intangible assets acquired based on their estimated fair values. The excess of the fair value of purchase consideration over the fair values of these identifiable assets and liabilities is recorded as goodwill. Such valuations require management to make significant estimates and assumptions, especially with respect to intangible assets. Significant estimates in valuing certain intangible assets include, but are not limited to, future expected cash flows from acquired exclusive rights to air transportation services, customer list and trademark, based on expected future growth rates and margins, attrition rates, and royalty for similar brand licenses, useful lives, and discount rates.

Management's estimates of fair value are based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable, but which are inherently uncertain and unpredictable and, as a result, actual results may differ from estimates. Allocation of purchase consideration to identifiable assets and liabilities affects our amortization expense, as acquired finite-lived intangible assets are amortized over the useful life, whereas any indefinite lived intangible assets, including goodwill, are not amortized. During the measurement period, which may be up to one year from the acquisition date, we may record adjustments to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, with the corresponding offset to goodwill. Upon the conclusion of the measurement period, any subsequent adjustments are recorded to earnings.

## Goodwill Assessment

We review goodwill annually (in the fourth quarter) and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that goodwill might be impaired. We make certain judgments and assumptions to determine our reporting units and in allocating shared assets and liabilities to determine the carrying values for each of our reporting units. Determination of

reporting units is based on a judgmental evaluation of the level at which senior management reviews financial results, evaluates performance, and allocates resources.

We assess goodwill for impairment initially using a qualitative approach; however, should the qualitative assessment indicate potential impairment, a subsequent quantitative test must be performed.

Judgment in the assessment of qualitative factors of impairment include, among other factors: reviewing factors such as macroeconomic conditions, industry and market considerations, cost factors, entity-specific financial performance and other events, such as changes in the Company's management, strategy and primary customer base, and factors affecting the reporting unit. To the extent we determine that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying value, the Company performs a quantitative goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible asset impairment analysis by comparing the carrying amount to the fair value of the reporting unit.

Performing a quantitative goodwill impairment test includes the determination of the fair value of a reporting unit by considering both public company multiples (a market approach) and projected discounted future cash flows (an income approach) and involves significant estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions include, among others, revenue growth rates and operating margins used to calculate projected future cash flows, risk-adjusted discount rates, future economic and market conditions, and the determination of appropriate market comparables.

As of December 31, 2023, for the Blade Europe reporting unit, the first step of the goodwill impairment test ("Step 1 test") was performed as it was determined that it is more likely than not that the fair value of the reporting unit was less than its carrying amount. Based on our Step 1 test, we determined that the fair value was greater than its respective carrying value and therefore, no further action was necessary.

The key assumptions with significant uncertainty and impact used on our evaluation of the Blade Europe reporting unit for the year ended December 31, 2023 were as follows:

- a. EVA introduction timeline
- b. Operating margins increase by 10%-15% in the initial years after the introduction of EVA
- c. Weighted average cost of capital ("WACC") of 12.5%

We assumed the introduction of EVA will drive higher profitability as operational costs are anticipated to be lower compared to conventional aircraft.

We performed a sensitivity analysis for the reporting unit. The sensitivity analyses are based on a change in one assumption while holding all other assumptions constant so that interdependencies between the assumptions are excluded. The results of this sensitivity analysis on our impairment test as of December 31, 2023 indicated that the WACC needed to be raised by approximately 300 basis points for Blade Europe's goodwill to be impaired.

Additionally, if the expansion in operating margins, following the introduction of EVA, does not materialize by 2031 and long term projected operating margins fall short by more than 30%, it would trigger goodwill impairment.

Impairment of Finite-Lived Intangible Assets

As discussed in Note 4 "Goodwill and Intangible Assets", fair value was determined using the discounted estimated cash flows. These estimates include revenue growth, operating margin, capital expenditures, weighted average cost of capital ("WACC") and expected long-term cash flow growth rates. The assumptions that have the most significant effect on our discounted estimated cash flow calculation are: (i) EVA introduction timeline (ii) the expected increase in operating margins upon initial introduction of EVA and (iii) the WACC.

The key assumptions with significant uncertainty and impact used in our evaluations of Blade Europe's finite-lived intangible assets as of December 31, 2023 were as follows:

- · EVA introduction timeline
- Operating margins 10%-15% increase in the initial introduction of EVA.
- WACC of 12.5%

Operating margins for the years prior to EVA commercialization represents our estimate of the operating margins similar to the overall Blade business. EVA manufacturers forecast potential decreases in operational costs of up to 75%, mainly due to lessened maintenance demands and the relative affordability of electricity versus jet fuel. The Company assumed moderate decrease in operational costs of 10% to 15% during the initial introduction of EVA.

Our determination of projected cash flows are sensitive to the risk of future variances due to industry and market conditions as well as business unit execution risks. Management assesses the projected cash flows by considering factors unique to its

assets, including recent operating results, business plans, economic projections, anticipated future cash flows, and other data. Projected cash flows can also be significantly impacted by the future growth opportunities for the cash generating assets as well as for the Company itself, general market and geographic sentiment.

Assumptions used in impairment testing are made at a point in time and require significant judgment; therefore, they are subject to change based on the facts and circumstances present at each annual and interim impairment test date. Additionally, these assumptions are generally interdependent and do not change in isolation. Consequently, if future results fall below our forward-looking projections for an extended period of time, the results of future impairment tests could indicate there is an impairment.

#### Income Tax

The Company periodically assesses the likelihood that its deferred tax assets will be recovered from future taxable income and, to the extent it believes, based upon the weight of available evidence, that it is more likely than not that all or a portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized, a valuation allowance is established through a charge to income tax expense. Potential for recovery of deferred tax assets is evaluated by considering, among other things, taxable income in carryback years, existing taxable temporary differences, prudent and feasible tax planning strategies and estimated future taxable profits. In evaluating the likelihood of utilizing our net deferred income tax assets, the significant factors that we consider include (1) strong earnings history exclusive of the loss that created the future deductible amount, coupled with evidence indicating loss is not an ongoing condition, (2) growth in the U.S. and global economies, (3) forecast of air transportation revenue trends, (4) impact of future taxable profits.

#### Leases

Blade's operating leases consist of airport and heliport terminals, offices and aircraft leases that are embedded within certain capacity purchase agreements ("CPAs"). Judgements and assumptions that we apply in the accounting for leases:

- The determination of whether an arrangement is a lease at inception.
- · Classifying leases as either operating or finance leases.
- Estimating the incremental borrowing rate the Company calculates the present value of lease payments over the lease term, based on the incremental borrowing rate. Our incremental borrowing rate is an estimate based on an analysis of publicly traded debt securities of companies with credit and financial profiles similar to our own.
- Determining the lease term when a renewal option exists some of the Company's leases include options to extend the lease, the Company uses judgement in determining whether a lease extension option would be exercised, this decision drives the ROU amortization period and the value of the ROU asset and the lease liability.
- In embedded leases under certain CPAs with third-party aircraft operators, we use estimates in determining what portion of the minimum guarantee represents a lease component.

## Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk

We are exposed to market risks in the ordinary course of business. These risks primarily include interest rate risk and foreign currency risk. Blade has not, to date, been exposed to material market risks.

Our earnings and cash flows are affected by changes in the interest rates due to the impact those changes have on our interest income from short-term, interest-bearing investments.

We are exposed to foreign currency risks related to our revenue and operating expenses denominated in currencies other than the U.S. dollar (predominantly the Canadian dollar and the Euro). Accordingly, changes in exchange rates may negatively affect our future revenue and other operating results as expressed in U.S. dollars. We might experience fluctuations in our net income (loss) as a result of transaction gains or (losses) related to remeasurement of our asset and liability balances that are denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the entities in which they are recorded.

## Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data

The financial statements required by this Item are included in Item 15 of this report and are presented beginning on page F-1.

## Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure

None.

#### Item 9A. Controls and Procedures

## Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our management, with participation of the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), evaluated the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")) as of the end of the period covered by this report. Based on the evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures, our CEO and CFO concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective as of December 31, 2023 due to the material weaknesses in internal controls over financial reporting described below.

Notwithstanding the material weaknesses, management has concluded that the consolidated financial statements included elsewhere in this Annual Report on Form 10-K present fairly, in all material respects, our financial position, results of operations, and cash flows in conformity with GAAP.

## Management's Annual Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f). Internal control over financial reporting is a process used to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of our financial reporting and the preparation of our financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States. Internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that pertain to the maintenance of records that in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of our assets; provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of our financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, and that our receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with the authorization of our Board of Directors and management; and provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our assets that could have a material effect on our financial statements.

Our management, including our CEO and CFO, performed an assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal controls over financial reporting based on the framework in Internal Control – Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (2013 framework).

Based on this assessment, our CEO and CFO have concluded that during the period covered by this report, our internal control over financial reporting was not effective, due to the material weaknesses identified and described below. A material weakness is defined as a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over financial reporting, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Company's annual or interim financial statements will not be prevented or detected on a timely basis.

We identified material weaknesses relating to:

- The lack of effective IT General Controls in relation to:
  - user access controls that adequately restrict user access to financial applications, programs and data affecting underlying accounting records, and
  - the change management controls for certain operational applications that ensure IT program and data changes are identified, tested, authorized and implemented properly.
- · a number of control deficiencies in relation to the revenue process that, although not individually material in nature, in aggregate constitute a material weakness.

This annual report does not include an attestation report of the Company's registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Due to the Company being an Emerging Growth Company as defined by the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Management's report was not subject to attestation by the Company's

registered public accounting firm pursuant to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permit the Company to provide only management's report in this Annual Report.

#### Management's Plans for Remediation

We have identified and implemented, and continue to implement, certain remediation efforts to improve the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting. These remediation efforts are ongoing and include the following measures to address the material weaknesses identified:

- We have completed controls testing to enable management to assess the operating effectiveness of the change management controls for the Company's main operational IT application and we are in the process of implementing those same change management controls for our other operational IT applications.
- We are re-enforcing procedures on proper user access administration and the need for timely documentation of associated requests and approval.
- We have designed additional controls to supplement the existing business process controls in relation to revenues, with these controls being implemented by the end of Q1 2024.

We expect the above actions will be completed before the end of the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024. The material weaknesses will not be considered remediated until the applicable controls operate for a sufficient period of time and management has concluded, through testing, that these controls are operating effectively. As we continue to evaluate and improve the applicable controls, management may take additional remedial measures or modify the remediation plan described above.

## Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Except as disclosed above, there were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f) that occurred during our most recently completed fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## Limitations on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

An internal control system over financial reporting has inherent limitations and may not prevent or detect misstatements. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate. However, these inherent limitations are known features of the financial reporting process. Therefore, it is possible to design into the process safeguards to reduce, though not eliminate, this risk.

## Item 9B. Other Information

## Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On March 11, 2024, Blade entered into definitive agreements to acquire eight fixed-wing aircraft (the "Acquired Aircraft") from M&N Equipment, LLC ("M&N"), Atlas Jet Inc. and Aviation Bridge, LLC for a combined purchase price of approximately \$21.0 million, funded by the application of \$9.3 million in existing prepaid deposits under existing Capacity Purchase Agreements with M&N, and approximately \$11.7 million in cash, subject to traditional closing conditions, inspections, holdbacks and adjustments. Blade intends to utilize the Acquired Aircraft, which were previously dedicated to Blade under existing Capacity Purchase Agreements, to support its Medical business line. The Acquired Aircraft will continue to be operated by M&N, subject to the execution of aircraft management and operation agreements.

## Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plans

The adoption or termination of contracts, instructions or written plans for the purchase or sale of our securities by our Section 16 officers and directors for the three months ended December 31, 2023, each of which is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c) under the Exchange Act ("Rule 10b5-1 Plan"), were as follows:

On December 14, 2023, Robert S. Wiesenthal, our Chief Executive Officer, adopted a Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement providing for the sale from time to time of up to250,000 shares of common stock. The duration of the trading arrangement is until February 28, 2025 or earlier if all transactions under the trading arrangement are completed.

On December 14, 2023, Melissa M. Tomkiel, our President and General Counsel, adopted a Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement providing for the sale from time to time of up to 243,895 shares of common stock. The duration of the trading arrangement is until February 28, 2025 or earlier if all transactions under the trading arrangement are completed.

On December 14, 2023, William A. Heyburn, our Chief Financial Officer and Head of Corporate Development, adopted a Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement providing for the sale from time to time of up to 300,000 shares of common stock. The duration of the trading arrangement is until February 28, 2025 or earlier if all transactions under the trading arrangement are completed.

## **Executive Compensation**

On March 8, 2024, the Compensation Committee granted Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units ("PSUs") to our named executive officers under the Company's 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Plan") as described below.

Name and Principal Position	PSUs (#)
Robert S. Wiesenthal	1,971,428
Chief Executive Officer	
Melissa M. Tomkiel	1,285,714
President and General Counsel	
William A. Heyburn	1,114,285

Chief Financial Officer and Head of Corporate Development

The PSUs will vest subject to the achievement of certain financial performance metrics by the Company. Each PSU represents the right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.

## Item 9C. Disclosure Regarding Foreign Jurisdictions that Prevent Inspections.

Not applicable.

# Part III

## Item 10. Directors, Executive Officers and Corporate Governance

Name	Age	Title
Robert S. Wiesenthal	57	Chief Executive Officer and Director
Melissa M. Tomkiel	43	President and General Counsel
William A. Heyburn	35	Chief Financial Officer and Head of Corporate Development
Amir M. Cohen	47	Chief Accounting Officer
Seth J. Bacon	52	Chief Executive Officer, Trinity
Eric L. Affeldt	66	Chairman of the Board
John KL Borthwick	58	Director
Jane C. Garvey	80	Director
Andrew Lauck	38	Director
Kenneth B. Lerer	72	Director
Reginald L. Love	41	Director
Susan M. Lyne	73	Director
Edward M. Philip	58	Director

Robert S. Wiesenthal has served as Blade's Chief Executive Officer since the Closing Date and Old Blade's Chief Executive Officer from July 2015 through the Closing Date. Mr. Wiesenthal has also served as one of our directors since May 2021, and as a member of Old Blade's Board of Directors from June 2014 through the Closing Date. From January

2013 to July 2015, Mr. Wiesenthal served as Chief Operating Officer of Warner Music Group Corp., a global music conglomerate. From 2000 to 2012, Mr. Wiesenthal served in various senior executive capacities with Sony Corporation, most recently as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Sony Corporation of America. Prior to joining Sony, from 1988 to 2000, Mr. Wiesenthal served in various capacities with Credit Suisse First Boston, most recently as Managing Director, Head of Digital Media and Entertainment. Mr. Wiesenthal currently serves on the Board of Directors of TripAdvisor Inc., a Nasdaq-listed company, and previously served on the Board of Directors of Starz, a global media and entertainment company. Mr. Wiesenthal has a B.A. from the University of Rochester.

Melissa M. Tomkiel has served as Blade's President and General Counsel since the Closing Date and Old Blade's President since January 2021 and Old Blade's General Counsel since February 2015. Ms. Tomkiel was Old Blade's President, Fixed Wing from 2015 to 2020. From 2010 to 2015, Ms. Tomkiel was President of LIMA NY Corp., a commuter air carrier operating amphibious seaplanes and rotorcraft. From 2006 to 2010, Ms. Tomkiel was an attorney at Pryor Cashman, a U.S. law firm. Ms. Tomkiel has a J.D. from St. John's University School of Law and a B.A. from the University of Notre Dame.

William A. Heyburn has served as Blade's Chief Financial Officer and Head of Corporate Development since the Closing Date, Old Blade's Chief Financial Officer from December 2020 through the Closing Date and Old Blade's Head of Corporate Development from May 2018 through the Closing Date. From 2015 to April 2018, Mr. Heyburn served in various capacities at Redbird Capital Partners, a private investment firm, most recently as Vice President. Prior to joining RedBird, Mr. Heyburn was a member of the U.S. Credit Investment Team at Oak Hill Advisors, L.P., a global alternative investment firm, from 2013 to 2015. Prior to joining Oak Hill, Mr. Heyburn was a member of the investment banking group at Moelis and Company, an independent investment bank, focused on restructuring transactions, from 2011 to 2013. Mr. Heyburn has an A.B. from Harvard University.

Amir M. Cohen has served as Blade's Chief Accounting Officer since May 2021. From 2008 to April 2021, Mr. Cohen served in various capacities at WPP, a multinational communications holding company, most recently as Senior Vice President of Finance. Prior to joining WPP, Mr. Cohen was a Manager at PwC LLP in New York from 2006 to 2008. Mr. Cohen is a Certified Public Accountant and has an M.B.A from New York University and a B.A. in Economics and Accounting from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

**Seth J. Bacon** has served as Trinity's Chief Executive Officer since he founded Trinity in 2013. Mr. Bacon has continued to serve as Trinity's Chief Executive Officer since Blade's acquisition of Trinity in September 2021. Prior to founding Trinity, Mr. Bacon served as the Battalion Chief of the Scottsdale Fire Department in Arizona, a captain of the Chandler Fire Department in Arizona and was a certified paramedic and rescue technician. Mr. Bacon has a B.B.A. from Arizona State University and an A.A.S. from Phoenix College.

Eric L. Affeldt has served as our Chairman since September 2019. From 2006 to 2017, Mr. Affeldt served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of ClubCorp, a privately held owner and operator of golf, dining and fitness clubs. In 2017, he assisted with the take private transaction of ClubCorp, which was previously listed on the NYSE, to an affiliate of Apollo Global Management. Prior to ClubCorp, he served as a principal of KSL Capital Partners, a private equity firm that specializes in travel and leisure, from 2005 to 2007. In addition, Mr. Affeldt was president of General Aviation Holdings, Inc., an aviation holding company, from 2000 to 2005. Prior to this, Mr. Affeldt also served as President and Chief Executive Officer of KSL Fairways, an owner and manager of golf courses; vice president and general manager of Doral Golf Resort and Spa in Miami and the PGA West and La Quinta Resort and Club in California. He has also served on the Board of Directors of the Vail Health System, a private healthcare system in Colorado, since 2017. Mr. Affeldt served as a director for Cedar Fair Entertainment Company, an owner and operator of amusement parks, from 2010 to 2018, and was chairman of the Board of Directors from 2012 to 2018. He has a B.A. in Political Science and Religion from Claremont McKenna College. We believe Mr. Affeldt is qualified to serve as one of our directors based on his extensive operational, board and investment experience.

John KL Borthwick has served as one of our directors since March 2023. Mr. Borthwick is the Chief Executive Officer and a member of the Board of Directors of Betaworks, a New York-based startup platform that builds, accelerates, and invests in early-stage consumer technology companies, which he founded in August 2008. From July 2006 to October 2007, Mr. Borthwick served as the Chief Executive Officer of Fotolog, a private photo-sharing social media network. From March 2003 to August 2006, Mr. Borthwick served as Senior Vice President of Alliances and Technology Strategy for Time Warner Inc., a NYSE-listed media and entertainment company. Mr. Borthwick currently serves on the Board of Trustees of WNYC, New York Public Radio. Mr. Borthwick has an M.B.A. from the Wharton School and a B.A. in Economics from Wesleyan University. We believe Mr. Borthwick is qualified to serve as one of our directors based on his

extensive experience in the startup, technology and investment sectors and his track record of building and accelerating successful companies.

Jane C. Garvey has served as one of our directors since May 2021. She was previously a member of the Board of Directors at United Airlines from 2009 to 2018, and served as its Chairman from May 2018 to May 2020. Ms. Garvey had numerous roles in public service, including serving as FAA Administrator from 1997 to 2002, Deputy Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration from 1993 to 1997, director of Boston's Logan International Airport from 1991 to 1993, and as the Massachusetts Department of Public Works commissioner from 1988 to 1991. After leaving public service, Ms. Garvey became Executive Vice President and chairman of the transportation practice at APCO Worldwide, an independent global public affairs and strategic communications consultancy, from 2002 to 2006, and was an advisor to J.P. Morgan's infrastructure practice from 2005 to 2008. She has served on several boards including Shanska, a multinational construction and development company, Bombardier, a multinational aerospace and transportation company, and MITRE Corporation, an American not-for-profit technology resource organization. Ms. Garvey currently serves as Chair of Meridiam Infrastructure, North America, a private global investor and asset manager, Chair of the Meridiam Infrastructure Global Advisory Board and Chairwoman of the Board of Directors of Allego Holding B.V., a NYSE-listed pan-European electric vehicle charging network. She has degrees from Mount Saint Mary College and Mount Holyoke College. We believe Ms. Garvey is qualified to serve as one of our directors based on her experience in a broad range of industries, including infrastructure development, financial services, transportation, construction, and consulting.

Andrew Lauck has served as one of our directors since March 2023. Mr. Lauck served as an observer on our Board from December 2022 to March 2023. Since December 2019, Mr. Lauck has been a Partner at RedBird Capital Partners LP ("RedBird"), a private investment firm, where he was a Principal from December 2016 to December 2019 and a Vice President from August 2014 to December 2016. At RedBird, Mr. Lauck leads the firm's consumer investment business and is responsible for the firm's investments in the Company, Jet Linx, BETA Technologies, Aero Centers, VeriJet, Equipment Share and RedBird QSR. Prior to joining RedBird, Mr. Lauck served as Vice President of BDT & Company LLC, a private merchant bank, from December 2013 to July 2014 and as an Associate from August 2011 to December 2013. Mr. Lauck was an Associate at Flexpoint Ford, LLC, a private equity investment firm, from July 2010 to August 2011 and an Analyst at Goldman Sachs, a NYSE-listed American multinational investment bank and financial services company, from July 2007 to June 2010. Mr. Lauck serves on the boards of Jet Linx Global, Inx., SAR Trilogy Management LLC (d/b/a AeroCenters); Gitbin & Associates, LLC (d/b/a Go Rentals); Ampler QSR LLC and Lambda Energy Resources LLC. Mr. Lauck also serves as Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of Vogel Alcove, a non-profit organization on a mission to help young children overcome the lasting and traumatic effects of homelessness, and on the boards of the Cotton Bowl Athletic Association and the Frontiers of Flight Museum (both of which are privately held companies). Mr. Lauck previously served on the Boards of Ardent Leisure US Holdings Inc. (d/b/a Main Event Entertainment), Aethon United LP, FireBird Energy LLC, Four Corners Petroleum II, LLC, Vida Capital, CapturePoint LLC, and Avmont LLC. Mr. Lauck has a B.S. in Finance and International Business, with distinction and honors, from Indiana University, and is an FAA licensed, instrument-rated pilot. We believe Mr. Lauck is qualified to serve as one of our d

Kenneth B. Lerer has served as one of our directors since May 2021 and was the chairman of Old Blade's Board of Directors from July 2016 through the Closing Date. Mr. Lerer is a managing partner at Lerer Hippeau Ventures, an early stage venture capital fund, which he founded in January 2010. He was a co-founder of The Huffington Post (acquired by AOL), an American news aggregator and media company, from 2005 to 2011 and previously served as Executive Vice President of AOL Time Warner, a global media technology company, from 2000 to 2002. Mr. Lerer has sat on the Board of Group Nine Media, an American digital media holding company, since 2016. He was formerly the Chairman of BuzzFeed, an American internet media, news and entertainment company, from 2008 to 2019 and previously served on the Board of Viacom, a multinational media and entertainment corporation, from 2016 to 2018. We believe Mr. Lerer is qualified to serve as a one of our directors based on his extensive executive, board and investment experience.

Reginald L. Love has served as one of our directors since September 2021. Mr. Love has served as a Senior Advisor at Apollo Global Management, a private global alternative investment management firm, since February 2020. Mr. Love previously served as Partner at RON Transatlantic EG, an international financial holding company with interests in the financial services, logistics, energy, industrial and beer sectors in the United States, Latin America and Europe, from 2012 to February 2020. Prior to joining RON Transatlantic EG, Mr. Love served at the White House as personal aide to President Barack Obama from 2009 to 2011, where he was responsible for assisting with the coordination and completion of the President's daily schedule as well as coordinating with other White House offices to set up long and medium range planning. Mr. Love is a graduate of Duke University and has an M.B.A. from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Love also serves on the boards of Cox Media Group, a private American media conglomerate, and the

National Summer Learning Association, an American non-profit organization focused on education. We believe Mr. Love is qualified to serve as one of our directors based on his extensive leadership, investment, government affairs, legislative, public policy and international business experience.

Susan M. Lyne has served as one of our directors since May 2021. Since September 2014, Ms. Lyne has been President and Managing Partner of BBG Ventures, a private investment fund focused on women-led tech startups. From February 2013 to September 2014, Ms. Lyne was Chief Executive Officer of the AOL Brand Group where she oversaw the content brands of AOL, Inc., a global media technology company, including TechCrunch, Engadget, StyleList, Moviefone and MapQuest. From September 2008 to February 2013, she was Chief Executive Officer and then Chair of Gilt Groupe, Inc., the innovative ecommerce company that pioneered flash sales in the United States. From 2004 to 2008, Ms. Lyne served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia, Inc., a diversified media and merchandising company. From 1996 to 2004, Ms. Lyne held various positions at The Walt Disney Company, a diversified worldwide entertainment company, including President of ABC Entertainment. Ms. Lyne is currently a director of GoPro, Inc., a Nasdaq-listed company, where she is Chair of the Compensation Committee, and has previously served as a director of Gilt Groupe, Inc., AOL, Inc., Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia, Inc., Starz Entertainment Group, LLC, a global media and entertainment company, and CIT Group, Inc., and American bank and financial services company. We believe Ms. Lyne is qualified to serve as one of our directors based on her experience on the Boards of Directors of other companies, her extensive executive experience and her background in the media and consumer products industries.

Edward M. Philip has served as one of our directors since September 2019. Mr. Philip was the Chief Operating Officer of Partners in Health, a global non-profit healthcare organization, responsible for overseeing the operations of the Partners in Health projects globally including in countries such as Liberia, Sierra Leone, Rwanda and Haiti, from 2013 to 2017. Previously he served as Special Partner of Highland Consumer Fund, a consumer-oriented investment fund which he founded, from 2013 to 2017 and as Managing General Partner from 2006 to 2013. Mr. Philip was one of the founding members of the internet search company Lycos, Inc. During his time with Lycos, Mr. Philip held the positions of President, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer at different times. Prior to joining Lycos, Mr. Philip spent time as the Vice President of Finance for The Walt Disney Company and also previously spent a number of years in investment banking. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of United Airlines Holdings Inc., a Nasdaq-listed airline, since 2016, Hasbro, Inc., a Nasdaq-listed toy and entertainment company, since 2002 and BRP Inc., a publicly traded Canadian recreational vehicle manufacturer, since 2005. Mr. Philip has a B.S. in Economics and Mathematics from Vanderbilt University and an M.B.A. from Harvard Business School. We believe Mr. Philip is qualified to serve as one of our directors based on his extensive public company Board service as well as his extensive experience in the travel, leisure and recreation industries

All other the information required by this item will be included in an amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K or incorporated by reference from our Proxy Statement for our Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the end of the year ended December 31, 2023.

## Item 11. Executive Compensation

The information required by this item will be included in an amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K or incorporated by reference from our Proxy Statement for our Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the end of the year ended December 31, 2023.

## Item 12. Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management And Related Stockholder Matters

The information required by this item will be included in an amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K or incorporated by reference from our Proxy Statement for our Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the end of the year ended December 31, 2023.

## Item 13. Certain Relationships and Related Transactions and Director Independence

The information required by this item will be included in an amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K or incorporated by reference from our Proxy Statement for our Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the end of the year ended December 31, 2023.

# Item 14. Principal Accountant Fees and Services

The information required by this item will be included in an amendment to this Annual Report on Form 10-K or incorporated by reference from our Proxy Statement for our Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the end of the year ended December 31, 2023.

## Part IV

## Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules.

## **Financial Statements**

The consolidated financial statements of the Company for the fiscal years covered by this Annual Report are located beginning of page F-1 of this Annual Report.

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors of Blade Air Mobility, Inc.

#### **Opinion on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Blade Air Mobility, Inc. (the "Company") as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive loss, stockholders' equity and cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2023, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Basis for Opinion**

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

/s/ Marcum LLP

Marcum LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2020.

Melville, NY March 12, 2024

## **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(in thousands, except share and per share data)

	Dece	December 31, 2023		nber 31, 2022
Assets				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents (1)	\$	27,873	\$	41,338
Restricted cash (1)		1,148		3,085
Accounts receivable, net of allowance of \$98 and \$0 at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022		21,005		10,877
Short-term investments		138,264		150,740
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		17,971		12,086
Total current assets		206,261		218,126
Non-current assets:				
Property and equipment, net		2,899		2,037
Intangible assets, net		20,519		46,365
Goodwill		40,373		39,445
Operating right-of-use asset		23,484		17,692
Other non-current assets (1)		1,402		1,360
Total assets	\$	294,938	\$	325,025
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	23,859	9	16,536
Deferred revenue	Ψ	6,845	Ψ	6,709
Operating lease liability, current		4,787		3,362
Total current liabilities		35,491	-	26,607
Non-current liabilities:				
Warrant liability		4,958		7,083
Operating lease liability, long-term		19,738		14,970
Deferred tax liability		451		1,876
Total liabilities	_	60,638	-	50,536
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 11)				
Stockholders' Equity				
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value, 2,000,000 shares authorized at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022. No shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2023.		<u></u>		_
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value; 400,000,000 authorized; 75,131,425 and 71,660,617 shares issued at December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively.		7		7
Additional paid in capital		390,083		375,873
Accumulated other comprehensive income		3,964		2,287
Accumulated deficit		(159,754)		(103,678
Total stockholders' equity		234,300		274,489
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$	294,938	\$	325,025

(1) Prior year amounts have been updated to conform to current period presentation.

Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands, except share and per share data)

	Year E	Year Ended December 31,			
	2023		2022		
Revenue	\$ 225	180 \$	146,120		
Operating expenses					
Cost of revenue	183	058	123,845		
Software development		627	5,545		
General and administrative		174	62,510		
Selling and marketing	10	438	7,749		
Total operating expenses		297	199,649		
Loss from operations	(68,	117)	(53,529)		
Other non-operating income (expense)					
Interest income, net	8	442	3,434		
Change in fair value of warrant liabilities	2	125	24,225		
Realized gain (loss) from sales of short-term investments		8	(2,162)		
Total other non-operating income	10	575	25,497		
Loss before income taxes	(57,	542)	(28,032)		
Income tax benefit	(1,	466)	(772)		
Net loss	\$ (56,	076) \$	(27,260)		
Net loss per share (Note 9):					
Basic	\$ (	).76) \$	(0.38)		
Diluted	\$ (	).76) \$	(0.38)		
Weighted-average number of shares outstanding:					
Basic	73,524	476	71,238,103		
Diluted	73,524	476	71,238,103		
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# BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC. Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Loss (in thousands)

		Year Ended December 31,			
		2023	2022		
Net loss	\$	(56,076) \$	(27,260)		
Other comprehensive income:					
Net unrealized investment income (losses)		39	(1,368)		
Less: Reclassification adjustment for losses included currently in net income (loss)		(39)	2,162		
Foreign currency translation adjustments for the period		1,677	2,391		
Other comprehensive income	'	1,677	3,185		
Comprehensive loss	\$	(54,399) \$	(24,075)		

# BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC. Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Equity (in thousands, except share data)

	Commo	n St	ock	_	Additional	Accumulated Other Comprehensive	Accumulated		Total ckholders'
	Shares		Amount	P	Paid-In Capital	Income (Loss)	Deficit		Equity
Balance as of Balance as of January 1, 2022	70,667,381	\$	7	\$	368,680	\$ (898)	\$ (76,418)	\$	291,371
Issuance of common stock upon exercise of stock options	480,812		_		87	_	_		87
Issuance of common stock upon settlement of restricted stock units	673,896		_		_	_	_		_
Stock-based compensation - restricted stock	_		_		8,277	_	_		8,277
Shares withheld related to net share settlement	(161,472)		_		(1,171)	_	_		(1,171)
Other comprehensive income	_		_		_	3,185	_		3,185
Net loss	_		_		_	_	(27,260)		(27,260)
Balance as of December 31, 2022	71,660,617	\$	7	\$	375,873	\$ 2,287	\$ (103,678)	\$	274,489
Issuance of common stock upon exercise of stock options	386,790		_		70	_	_		70
Issuance of common stock upon settlement of restricted stock units	2,724,920		_		_	_	_		_
Stock-based compensation - restricted stock	_		_		12,501	_	_		12,501
Shares withheld related to net share settlement	(25,658)		_		(146)	_	_		(146)
Issuance of common stock for settlement of contingent consideration									
compensation (earn-out)	384,756		_		1,785	_	_		1,785
Other comprehensive income	_		_		_	1,677	_		1,677
Net loss			_				(56,076)		(56,076)
Balance as of December 31, 2023	75,131,425	\$	7	\$	390,083	\$ 3,964	\$ (159,754)	\$	234,300

# BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands)

	Year Ended December 31,		
	 2023	2022	
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:	-		
Net loss	\$ (56,076) \$	(27,26	
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash and restricted cash used in operating activities:			
Depreciation and amortization	7,111	5,72	
Stock-based compensation	12,501	8,27	
Change in fair value of warrant liabilities	(2,125)	(24,22	
Impairment of intangible assets	20,753	-	
Realized (gain) loss from sales of short-term investments	(8)	2,16	
Realized foreign exchange loss	6		
Accretion of interest income on held-to-maturity securities	(6,519)	(1,09	
Deferred tax benefit	(1,466)	(77	
Loss on disposal of property and equipment	48	$\epsilon$	
Bad debt expense	163	-	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:			
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(6,032)	(5,25	
Accounts receivable	(10,254)	(5,34	
Other non-current assets	4	(66	
Operating right-of-use assets/lease liabilities	379	61	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	9,049	9,90	
Deferred revenue	117	73	
Net cash used in operating activities	 (32,349)	(37,13	
Cook Flows Funn Investing Activities	 <u> </u>	` ` ·	
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:		(49.10	
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(39)	(48,10	
Investment in joint venture	( )	(19	
Purchase of property and equipment	(2,109) 138	(73	
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment  Purchase of short-term investments	(135)	(72	
Proceeds from sales of short-term investments	20,532	258,37	
Purchase of held-to-maturity investments	(265,835)	(227,28	
Proceeds from maturities of held-to-maturity investments	264,537	98,00	
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Net cash provided by investing activities	 17,089	79,34	
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:			
Proceeds from the exercise of common stock options	70	8	
Taxes paid related to net share settlement of equity awards	 (146)	(1,17	
Net cash used in financing activities	 (76)	(1,08	
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes on cash balances	(66)	7	
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash	 (15,402)	41,19	
Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash - beginning	44,423	3,22	
Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash - ending	\$ 29,021 \$	44,42	
Reconciliation to consolidated balance sheets			
Cash and cash equivalents (1)	\$ 27,873 \$	41,33	
Restricted cash (1)	 1,148	3,08	
Total	\$ 29,021 \$	44,42	
Supplemental cash flow information			
Cash paid for:			
Income taxes	16	_	
Non-cash investing and financing activities:			
New leases under ASC 842 entered into during the period	9,760	6,36	
Common stock issued for settlement of earn-out	1,785	,-	

<sup>(1)</sup> Prior year amounts have been updated to conform to current period presentation.

## **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

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#### Note 1 - Business and Basis of Presentation

#### Description of Business

Blade Air Mobility, Inc. ("Blade" or the "Company") provides air transportation and logistics for hospitals across the United States, where it is one of the largest transporters of human organs for transplant, and for passengers, with helicopter and fixed wing services primarily in the Northeast United States, Southern Europe and Western Canada. Based in New York City, Blade's asset-light model, coupled with its exclusive passenger terminal infrastructure and proprietary technologies, is designed to facilitate a seamless transition from helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft to Electric Vertical Aircraft ("EVA" or "eVTOL"), enabling lower cost air mobility that is both quiet and emission-free.

## Basis of Presentation and Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP") and applicable rules and regulations of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. All inter-company balances and transactions have been eliminated in the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

## **Emerging Growth Company**

The Company is an "emerging growth company," as defined in Section 2(a) of the Securities Act, as modified by the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act of 2012 (the "JOBS Act"), and it may take advantage of certain exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to other public companies that are not emerging growth companies. These exemptions include, but are not limited to, not being required to comply with the independent registered public accounting firm attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in its periodic reports and proxy statements, and exemptions from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and stockholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved.

Further, Section 102(b)(1) of the JOBS Act exempts emerging growth companies from being required to comply with new or revised financial accounting standards until private companies (that is, those that have not had a Securities Act registration statement declared effective or do not have a class of securities registered under the Exchange Act) are required to comply with the new or revised financial accounting standards. The JOBS Act provides that a company can elect to opt out of the extended transition period and comply with the requirements that apply to non-emerging growth companies but any such election to opt out is irrevocable. The Company has elected to use such extended transition period which means that when a standard is issued or revised and it has different application dates for public or private companies, the Company, as an emerging growth company, can adopt the new or revised standard at the time private companies adopt the new or revised standard. This may make comparison of the Company's consolidated financial statements with another public company that is not an emerging growth company or is an emerging growth company that has opted out of using the extended transition period, difficult or impossible because of the potential differences in accounting standards used.

## Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. The Company bases its estimates on historical experience, current business factors, and various other assumptions that the Company believes are necessary to consider to form a basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities, the recorded amounts of revenue and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. The Company is subject to uncertainties such as the impact of future events, economic and political factors, and changes in the Company's business environment; therefore, actual results could differ from these estimates. Accordingly, the accounting estimates used in the preparation of the Company's financial statements will change as new events occur, as more experience is acquired, as additional information is obtained and as the Company's operating environment evolves.

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Changes in estimates are made when circumstances warrant. Such changes in estimates and refinements in estimation methodologies are reflected in reported results of operations; if material, the effects of changes in estimates are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. Significant estimates and assumptions by management include, but are not limited to, the carrying value of long-lived assets, the fair value of intangible assets and goodwill, contingencies, the determination of whether a contract contains a lease, the allocation of consideration between lease and nonlease components, the determination of incremental borrowing rates for leases and the provision for income taxes and related deferred tax accounts.

## Liquidity

As of December 31, 2023, the Company had net working capital of \$170,770, cash and cash equivalents of \$27,873 and short-term investments of \$138,264. The Company had net losses of \$56,076 and \$27,260 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and December 31, 2022, respectively.

The Company expects to incur net losses in the short term as it continues to execute on its strategic initiatives. Based on the Company's current liquidity, the Company believes that no additional capital will be needed to execute its current business plan over the next 12 months from the date of issuance of these financial statements.

## Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue under ASC 606, Revenue from Contracts with Customers. The core principle of the revenue standard is that a company should recognize revenue to depict the transfer of promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the company expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. The Company only applies the five-step model to contracts when it is probable that the Company will collect the consideration it is entitled to in exchange for the goods and services transferred to the customer. The following five steps are applied to achieve that core principle:

- Step 1: Identify the contract with the customer
- Step 2: Identify the performance obligations in the contract
- Step 3: Determine the transaction price
- Step 4: Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations in the contract
- Step 5: Recognize revenue when the company satisfies a performance obligation

The Company does not have any significant contracts with customers requiring performance beyond delivery.

Blade operates in three key product lines across two segments (see Note 7 for further information on reportable segments):

## Passenger segment

- Short Distance Consisting primarily of helicopter and amphibious seaplane flights in the United States, Canada and Europe between 10 and 100 miles in distance. Flights are available for purchase both by-the-seat and on a full aircraft charter basis. Short Distance products are typically purchased using the Blade App and paid for principally via credit card transactions, wire, check, customer credit, and gift cards, with payments principally collected by the Company in advance of the performance of related services. Part of the revenue in Europe is driven by hotels and travel agencies who receive payment terms. The revenue is recognized as the service is completed.
- Jet and Other Consists principally of revenues from non-medical jet charter and by-the-seat jet flights between New York and South Florida, revenue from brand partners for exposure to Blade fliers and certain ground transportation services. Jet products are typically purchased through our Flier Relations associates and our app and are paid for principally via checks, wires and credit card. Jet payments are typically collected at the time of booking before the performance of the related service. The revenue is recognized as the service is completed.

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## Medical segment

MediMobility Organ Transport – Consisting primarily of transportation of human organs for transplant and/or the medical teams supporting these services. Blade also offers
additional services including donor logistics coordination and support evaluating potential donor organs. MediMobility Organ Transport products are typically purchased
through our medical logistics coordinators and are paid for principally via checks and wires. Payments are generally collected after the performance of the related service in
accordance with the client's payment terms. The revenue is recognized as the service is completed.

The Company initially records flight sales in deferred revenue, deferring revenue recognition until the travel occurs. Deferred revenue from advance payments, customer credit and gift card purchases is recognized as revenue when a flight is flown. Deferred revenue from the Company's passes is recognized ratably over the term of the pass. For travel that has more than one flight segment, the Company deems each segment as a separate performance obligation and recognizes revenue for each segment as travel occurs. Fees charged in association with add-on services or changes or extensions to non-refundable seats sold are considered part of the Company's passenger performance obligation. As such, those fees are deferred at the time of collection and recognized at the time the travel is provided.

## Contract Liabilities

Contract liability is defined as entity's obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the entity has received consideration (or the amount is due) from the customer. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company's contract liability balance is \$6,845 and \$6,709 respectively, and is recorded as deferred revenue on the consolidated balance sheets. This balance consists of payments from customers received in advance of the actual flight, prepaid monthly and annual flight passes, customer credits for flight reservations that were cancelled for good reason by the customer, and prepaid gift card obligations. The customer has one year to use the credit as payment for a future flight with the Company. Gift cards represent prepayment of flights. The table below presents a roll forward of the contract liability balance:

		For the Years Ended				
		December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022			
Balance, beginning of period		6,709	\$	5,976		
Additions		69,792		72,742		
Revenue recognized		(69,656)		(72,009)		
Balance, end of period	\$	6,845	\$	6,709		

For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recognized \$5,836 of revenue that was included in the contract liability balance as of January 1, 2023. For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Company recognized \$4,406 of revenue that was included in the contract liability balance as of January 1, 2022.

Certain governmental taxes are imposed on the Company's flight sales through a tax included in flight prices. The Company collects these taxes and remits them to the appropriate government agency. These taxes are excluded from revenue.

The Company's quarterly financial data is subject to seasonal fluctuations. Historically, its second and third quarter (ended on June 30 and September 30, respectively) financial results have reflected higher Passenger travel demand and were better than the first and fourth quarter financial results.

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## Disaggregated Revenue

Disaggregated revenue by product line and segment was as follows:

		For the Years Ended			
	December 31, 2023			December 31, 2022	
Passenger Segment					
Short Distance	\$	70,700	\$	44,986	
Jet and Other		27,876		29,355	
Total	\$	98,576	\$	74,341	
Medical Segment					
MediMobility Organ Transport	\$	126,604	\$	71,779	
Total	\$	126,604	\$	71,779	
Total Revenue	\$	225,180	\$	146,120	

## Cost of Revenue

Cost of revenue consists of flight costs paid to operators of aircraft and cars, landing fees, ROU asset amortization and internal costs incurred in generating organ ground transportation revenue using the Company's owned cars.

## Software Development Costs for Internal Use

Costs incurred for the development of the Company's internal use software are expensed as incurred. Software development costs consist primarily of staff costs including stock-based compensation.

## Selling and Marketing

Selling and marketing expenses consist primarily of advertising costs, staff costs including stock-based compensation, marketing expenses, sales commissions and promotion costs. Advertising costs, which are included in "Selling and marketing expenses", are expensed as incurred. Advertising costs were \$4,064 and \$4,540 for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, respectively.

## General and Administrative

General and administrative expenses principally include staff costs including stock-based compensation, depreciation and amortization, impairment of intangible assets, directors and officers insurance costs, professional fees, credit card processing fees and establishment costs.

## Stock-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for stock-based compensation in accordance with ASC 718, Compensation - Stock Compensation ("ASC 718"). ASC 718 establishes accounting for stock-based awards exchanged for employee and consultant services. Under the provisions of ASC 718, stock-based compensation cost is measured at the grant date, based on the fair value of the award, and is recognized as expense over the employee's requisite service period (generally the vesting period of the equity grant). The fair value of the Company's stock options (the most recent stock options grants were in the year 2021) were estimated using the Black Scholes option-pricing model with the following assumptions: fair value of the Company's common stock, expected volatility, dividend rate, risk free interest rate, and the expected life. The Company utilized a third party to determine the fair value of the Company's common stock. The Company calculated the expected volatility using the historical volatility for a pool of peer companies over the most recent period equal to the expected term and evaluated the extent to which available information indicate that future volatility may differ from historical volatility. The expected dividend rate was zero as the Company did not expect to pay or declare any cash dividends on its common stock. The risk-free rates for the expected terms of the stock options were based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of the grant. The Company had not experienced significant exercise activity on stock options. Due to the lack of historical

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information, the Company determined the expected term of its stock option awards issued using the simplified method. The simplified method assumed each vesting tranche of the award has a term equal to the midpoint between when the award vests and when the award expires. The Company recognized forfeitures at the time the forfeiture occurs.

Restricted stock units ("RSUs") are granted at the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors. These RSUs are restricted as to the transfer of ownership and generally vest over the requisite service period. The RSUs have various vesting dates, ranging from vesting on the grant date to as late as four years from the date of grant.

The Company's current default tax withholding method for the vesting of RSUs is the sell-to-cover method, under which shares with a market value equivalent to the estimated tax withholding obligation are withheld from the holder of the RSUs upon vesting and sold on behalf of such holder to cover their applicable tax withholding liability, and the cash proceeds from such sales are then remitted by the Company to the applicable tax authorities. This approach is used for the vesting of RSUs held by the majority of the Company's employees, including all of the Company's Section 16 "officers" as defined by Section 16 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

#### Income Taxes

The Company accounts for income taxes using the asset and liability method, which requires the recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been recognized in the consolidated financial statements or in the Company's tax returns. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined on the basis of the differences between U.S. GAAP treatment and tax treatment of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. Changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities are recorded in the provision for income taxes. The Company assesses the likelihood that its deferred tax assets will be recovered from future taxable income and, to the extent it believes, based upon the weight of available evidence, that it is more likely than not that all or a portion of the deferred tax assets will not be realized, a valuation allowance is established through a charge to income tax expense. Potential for recovery of deferred tax assets is evaluated by considering taxable income in carryback years, existing taxable temporary differences, prudent and feasible tax planning strategies and estimated future taxable profits.

Each period, the Company analyzes whether it is more-likely-than-not that tax positions will be sustained upon examination, including resolution of any related appeals or litigation processes, based on the technical merits of the positions. In evaluating whether a tax position has met the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold, the Company presumes that the position will be examined by the appropriate taxing authority that has full knowledge of all relevant information and considers that all years remain subject to examination in the US due to historical operational losses. When differences exist between tax positions taken in a tax return and amounts meeting the more-likely-than-not threshold, the company will record an uncertain tax position, resulting in one or more of the following: an increase in a liability for income taxes payable, a reduction of an income tax refund receivable, a reduction in a deferred tax asset, or an increase in a deferred tax liability. The Company records penalties and interest relating to uncertain tax positions as part of income tax expense. As of December 31, 2023, the Company has no uncertain tax positions. See Note 8 for additional information.

## Cash and Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash

The Company considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less on their acquisition date as cash and cash equivalents. Restricted cash consists principally of Company funds on deposit with a financial institution, which supports a letter of credit by the financial institution in favor of the Company's obligations to the United States Department of Transportation as well as deposits posted for collateral with certain of the Company's vendors.

## Short-Term Investments

## Held-to-Maturity Securities

The Company's investments in held-to-maturity securities consist of investment grade U.S. Treasury obligations with maturity dates of less than 365 days. The Company has the ability and intention to hold these securities until maturity. Accordingly, these securities are recorded in the Company's consolidated balance sheet at amortized cost and interest is recorded within interest income on the Company's consolidated statement of operations. The held-to-maturity securities balance and market value at December 31, 2023 and 2022 were \$138,264 and \$138,285, and \$130,382 and \$130,382 and \$130,352, respectively.

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#### Other Short-Term Investments

Other short-term investments consist of highly-liquid investments available for sale. Other short-term investments consisted of an available-for-sale, traded, debt securities fund, which is recorded at fair value with unrealized gains and losses reported, net of tax, in "Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)", unless unrealized losses are determined to be unrecoverable. Realized gains and losses on the sale of securities are determined by specific identification. The Company considers all available-for-sale securities as available to support current operational liquidity needs and, therefore, classifies all securities as current assets within short-term investments on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. These other short-term investments are excluded from disclosure under "fair value of financial instruments" due to the net asset value practical expedient. The other short-term investments balance at December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$— and \$20,358, respectively. The cost of other short-term investments at December 31, 2023 and 2022 was \$— and \$20,460, respectively.

## Accounts Receivable and Allowances for Expected Credit Losses

Accounts receivable consists principally of amounts due from customers in the Company's Medical segment, which are large hospitals that receive terms for payment. Additionally, a smaller balance is due from the Company's European institutional clients (hotels and travel agencies), who do not pay prior to the flights. The allowance for expected credit losses on receivables is used to present accounts receivable, net at an amount that represents the Company's estimate of the related transaction price recognized as revenue. The allowance represents an estimate of expected credit losses over the lifetime of the receivables, even if the loss is considered remote, and reflects expected recoveries of amounts previously written-off. We have determined our allowance for expected credit losses based on a specific evaluation of individual receivables and an analysis of past default experience for remaining receivables. We have historically not experienced significant losses on our receivables. We generally do not require customers to provide collateral for purchases. During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recorded an allowance for credit losses of \$98 for potential uncollectible accounts.

## Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets

Prepaid expenses includes prepaid insurance, the costs of which are amortized on a straight-line basis over the related coverage periods, prepaid marketing supplies and prepayments to aircraft operators, which are expensed based upon usage of flight time.

# Property and Equipment, Net

Property and equipment are carried at cost, net of accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is computed utilizing the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset. Leasehold improvements depreciation is computed over the shorter of the lease term or estimated useful life of the asset. Additions and improvements are capitalized, while repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

	Useful Life		As of Dec	embe	er 31,
	(in years)	· <u> </u>	2023		2022
Furniture and fixtures	5	\$	886	\$	407
Technology equipment	3		402		330
Leasehold improvements	Shorter of useful life or life of lease		3,016		2,799
Vehicles	5		1,750		735
Total property and equipment, gross			6,054		4,271
Less: Accumulated depreciation and amortization			(3,155)		(2,234)
Total property and equipment, net		\$	2,899	\$	2,037

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company recorded depreciation and amortization expense for property and equipment of \$1,075 and \$830, respectively.

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#### Acquisitions

The Company accounts for acquisitions of entities or asset groups that qualify as businesses in accordance with ASC 805. Business Combinations ("ASC 805"). The purchase price of the acquisition is allocated to the tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values at the acquisition date. The excess of the purchase price over those fair values is recorded as goodwill. During the measurement period, which may be up to one year from the acquisition date, the Company may record adjustments to the assets acquired and liabilities assumed with the corresponding offset to goodwill. Upon the conclusion of the measurement period or final determination of the values of assets acquired or liabilities assumed, whichever comes first, any subsequent adjustments are recorded in the consolidated statements of operations. See Note 3 for additional information.

# Intangibles Assets, Net

The Company has finite-lived and indefinite-lived intangible assets, including goodwill. Finite-lived intangible assets are amortized over their estimated useful lives. Goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets are not amortized but are reviewed for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or circumstances indicate that the asset may be impaired. Research and development costs are expensed as incurred. Following initial recognition of the finite-lived intangible asset, the asset is carried at cost less any accumulated amortization. Amortization of the asset begins when the asset is available for use. Amortization is recorded in "General and administrative expenses" on the Company's consolidated statement of operations. See Note 4 for additional information.

## Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Company assess long-lived assets for impairment in accordance with the provisions of ASC 360, *Property, Plant and Equipment* ("ASC 360"). Long-lived assets, except for goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets, such as exclusive rights to air transportation services, customer lists and trademarks. Long-lived assets, except for goodwill and indefinite intangible assets, are tested for recoverability whenever events or changes in business circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may not be fully recoverable. If such events or changes in circumstances arise, the Company compares the carrying amount of the long-lived assets to the estimated future undiscounted cash flows expected to be generated by the long-lived assets. If the estimated aggregate undiscounted cash flows are less than the carrying amount of the long-lived assets, an impairment charge, calculated as the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds the fair value of the assets, is recorded. The fair value of the long-lived asset is determined through various valuation techniques, including estimated discounted cash flows expected to be generated from the long-lived asset and pricing information on comparable market transactions, unless another method provides a more reliable estimate. If an impairment loss is recognized, the adjusted carrying amount of a long-lived asset is recognized as a new cost basis of the impaired asset. Impairment loss is not reversed even if fair value exceeds carrying amount in subsequent periods. See Note 4 for additional information.

# Goodwill

In testing goodwill for impairment, the Company has the option to begin with a qualitative assessment, commonly referred to as "Step 0," to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit containing goodwill is less than its carrying value. This qualitative assessment may include, but is not limited to, reviewing factors such as macroeconomic conditions, industry and market considerations, cost factors, entity-specific financial performance and other events, such as changes in the Company's management, strategy and primary customer base. If the Company determines that it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying value, the Company performs a quantitative goodwill impairment analysis by comparing the carrying amount to the fair value of the reporting unit. If the carrying amount exceeds the fair value, goodwill will be written down to the fair value and recorded as impairment expense in the consolidated statements of operations. The Company performs its impairment testing annually at December 31 and when circumstances change that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying value.

We performed an annual test for goodwill impairment in the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2023 and determined that goodwill was not impaired.

# Leases

We determine if an arrangement is a lease at inception. Leases are recorded on the balance sheet as "right-of-use" ("ROU") assets and lease liabilities. Leases are classified as either operating or finance leases and lease expense is recognized within "General and administrative expenses" (airport and heliport terminals and offices) and "Cost of revenues" (aircraft leases embedded within certain capacity purchase agreements). As a lessee, for operating leases, total

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lease expense is recognized using a straight-line method. Finance leases are treated as the purchase of an asset on a financing basis. ROU assets represent our right to use an underlying asset for the lease term and lease liabilities represent our obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. ROU assets and lease liabilities are recognized at the lease commencement date based on the estimated present value of lease payments over the lease term.

When available, the Company uses the rate implicit in the lease in determining the present value of the future minimum lease payments. However, the Company's leases generally do not provide a readily determinable implicit rate. Therefore, the Company estimates the incremental borrowing rate to discount lease payments based on information available at the inception of the lease. The incremental borrowing rate represents an estimate of the interest rate we would incur at lease commencement to borrow an amount equal to the lease payments on a collateralized basis over the term of the lease.

Our lease terms include options to extend the lease when it is reasonably certain that we will exercise that option. Leases with a term of 12 months or less are not recorded on our consolidated balance sheets. Our lease agreements do not contain any residual value guarantees. Under certain of our capacity purchase agreements with third-party aircraft operators, we do not own the underlying aircraft. However, since we control the specific aircraft used, the aircraft is deemed to be leased for accounting purposes. For these capacity purchase agreements, we account for the lease and non-lease components separately. The lease component consists of the aircraft and the non-lease components consist of flight operations. We allocated the consideration in the capacity purchase agreements to the lease and non-lease components based on the Company's best estimate of standalone value.

See Note 5 for additional information.

# Warrant Liability

The Company accounts for warrants as either equity-classified or liability-classified instruments based on an assessment of the warrant's specific terms and applicable authoritative guidance in ASC 480, Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity ("ASC 480") and ASC 815, Derivatives and Hedging ("ASC 815"). The assessment considers whether the warrants are freestanding financial instruments pursuant to ASC 480, meet the definition of a liability pursuant to ASC 480, and whether the warrants meet all of the requirements for equity classification under ASC 815, including whether the warrants are indexed to the Company's own common shares and whether the warrant holders could potentially require "net cash settlement" in a circumstance outside of the Company's control, among other conditions for equity classification. This assessment, which requires the use of professional judgment, is conducted at the time of warrant issuance and as of each subsequent, quarterly, period-end date while the warrants are outstanding.

For issued or modified warrants that meet all of the criteria for equity classification, the warrants are required to be recorded as a component of additional paid-in capital at the time of issuance. For issued or modified warrants that do not meet all the criteria for equity classification, the warrants are required to be recorded at their initial fair value on the date of issuance and each balance sheet date thereafter. The Company accounts for the warrants issued in connection with its Initial Public Offering in accordance with the guidance contained in ASC 815-40-15-7D, under which the warrants do not meet the criteria for equity treatment and must be recorded as liabilities. Accordingly, the Company classifies the warrants as liabilities at their fair value and adjusts the warrants to fair value at each reporting period. This liability is subject to re-measurement at each balance sheet date until exercised, and any change in fair value is recognized in the Company's consolidated statement of operations. See Notes 12 and 13 for additional information.

# Concentrations

Financial instruments which potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consists principally of cash amounts on deposit with financial institutions. At times, the Company's cash in banks is in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance corporation ("FDIC") insurance limit. The Company has not experienced any loss as a result of these deposits.

Major Customers

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, there was no single customer that generated 10% or more of the Company's revenue.

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Most of the Company's customers remit payment in advance of the date of the flight. Accounts receivable consists principally of amounts due from the Company's MediMobility Organ Transport Customers that receive terms for payment, along with receivables from credit card processors. No customer accounted for 10% or more of the Company's outstanding accounts receivable as of December 31, 2023. One customer accounted for 13% of the Company's outstanding accounts receivable as of December 31, 2022.

Major Vendors

One vendor accounted for 12% of the Company's purchases from operating vendors for the year ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Two vendors accounted for 17% and 10%, respectively, of the Company's outstanding accounts payable as of December 31, 2023. One vendor accounted for 20% of the Company's outstanding payable as of December 31, 2022.

# Foreign Currency Translation

All of our foreign subsidiaries use their local currency as their functional currency. Assets and liabilities are translated from the local functional currency into U.S. Dollars at the exchange rate on the balance sheet date and revenue and expenses are translated at the average exchange rate for the period. Translation adjustments are recorded in accumulated other comprehensive income. Foreign currency gains and losses arising from transactions not in the subsidiaries local currency are recorded in results of operations.

## Recently Issued Accounting Standards - Adopted

On January 1, 2023, we adopted ASU 2021-08, Accounting for Contract Assets and Contract Liabilities From Contracts With Customers, or ASU 2021-08, that requires acquiring companies to apply ASC 606 to recognize and measure contract assets and contract liabilities from contracts with customers acquired in a business combination consistent with those recorded by the acquiring company. The Company does not have significant contracts with customers requiring performance beyond delivery. To the extent we acquire additional companies in our existing lines of business, the adoption of this standard will not have a material impact on our results of operations or financial position.

In June 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-13, Financial Instruments-Credit Losses (Topic 326), Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments. The ASU changes accounting for credit losses on loans receivable and debt securities from an incurred loss methodology to an expected credit loss methodology. Among other things, ASU 2016-13 requires the measurement of all expected credit losses for financial assets held at the reporting date based on historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts. Accordingly, ASU 2016-13 requires the use of forward-looking information to form credit loss estimates. In addition, ASU 2016-13 amends the accounting for credit losses on debt securities and purchased financial assets with credit deterioration. The Company adopted ASU 2016-13 as of January 1, 2023. The company's financial assets that are subject to the new standard are predominantly accounts receivable and short-term investments classified as held-to-maturities (e.g., U.S. Treasury obligations). The Company's receivables consist principally of MediMobility Organ Transport customers, which are large hospitals that receive terms of 45 days or less. U.S. Treasury obligations are rated as investment grade with maturities of less than 365 days. Given our historical experience, the short duration lifetime of these financial assets and the short time horizon over which to consider expectations of future economic conditions, the company assessed that non-collection of the cost basis of these financial assets is remote. The adoption of ASU 2016-13 did not materially impact the Company's consolidated financial statements.

# Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements - Not Adopted

In August 2020, the FASB issued ASU No. 2020-06, *Debt—Debt with Conversion and Other Options (Subtopic 470-20) and Derivatives and Hedging—Contracts in Entity's Own Equity (Subtopic 815-40)*. The objective of this update is to simplify the accounting for convertible preferred stock by removing the existing guidance in ASC 470-20, *Debt: Debt with Conversion and Other Options*, ("ASC 470-20"), that requires entities to account for beneficial conversion features and cash conversion features in equity, separately from the host convertible debt or preferred stock. The guidance in ASC 470-20 applies to convertible instruments for which the embedded conversion features are not required to be bifurcated

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from the host contract and accounted for as derivatives. In addition, the amendments revise the scope exception from derivative accounting in ASC 815-40 for freestanding financial instruments and embedded features that are both indexed to the issuer's own stock and classified in stockholders' equity, by removing certain criteria required for equity classification. These amendments are expected to result in more freestanding financial instruments qualifying for equity classification (and, therefore, not accounted for as derivatives), as well as fewer embedded features requiring separate accounting from the host contract. This amendment also further revises the guidance in ASU 260, Earnings per Share, to require entities to calculate diluted earnings per share (EPS) for convertible instruments by using the if-converted method. In addition, entities must presume share settlement for purposes of calculating diluted EPS when an instrument may be settled in cash or shares. The amendments in ASU 2020-06 are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, with early adoption permitted. The Company does not expect the adoption of ASU 2020-06 to have a significant impact on its consolidated financial statements.

In October 2023, the FASB issued ASU No. 2023-06, *Disclosure Improvements*. The new guidance clarifies or improves disclosure and presentation requirements on a variety of topics in the codification. The amendments in the update are intended to align the requirements in the FASB ASC with the SEC's regulations. The amendments are effective prospectively on the date each individual amendment is effectively removed from Regulation S-X or Regulation S-K, or if the SEC has not removed the requirements by June 30, 2027, this amendment will be removed from the Codification and will not become effective for any entity. The Company is in the process of evaluating the impact the adoption of this ASU will have on the financial statements and related disclosures, which is not expected to be material.

In November 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures, which expands the segment disclosures of public entities. This expansion includes the requirement to disclose significant segment expenses that are regularly provided to the chief operating decision maker and are included within each reported measure of segment profit or loss. Additionally, the ASU mandates the disclosure of the amount and description of the composition of other segment items, as well as interim disclosures of a reportable segment's profit or loss and assets. These disclosure requirements apply to public entities with a single reportable segment as well. The ASU will be effective for the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024, and early adoption is allowed. Currently, the Company is assessing the potential impact of adopting this ASU on its consolidated financial statements and disclosures.

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU No. 2023-09, Improvements to Income Tax Disclosures (Topic 740). The ASU requires disaggregated information about a reporting entity's effective tax rate reconciliation as well as additional information on income taxes paid. The ASU is effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2024 on a prospective basis. Early adoption is also permitted for annual financial statements that have not yet been issued or made available for issuance. The Company is evaluating the impact of the standard on its income tax disclosures.

Other recent accounting pronouncements issued by the FASB (including its Emerging Issues Task Force) and the SEC have not had, or are not anticipated to have, a significant effect on the Company's consolidated financial statements, both present and future.

# Note 3 - Acquisitions

# **Acquisition in 2022**

# Acquisition of Blade Europe

On September 1, 2022, Blade acquired, through Blade Europe SAS, a wholly-owned French société par actions simplifiée subsidiary ("Blade Europe"),100% of the share capital and voting rights (the "Shares") of Héli Tickets France SAS ("Héli Tickets France"), a French société par actions simplifiée, which was then renamed "Blade France SAS" ("Blade France") and of Helicopter Monaco SARL ("Helicopter Monaco"), a Monegasque société à responsabilité limitée, which was then renamed "Blade Monaco SARL" ("Blade Monaco"). These acquisitions are part of Blade's growth strategy of leveraging its asset-light model, technology and recognized brand to aggregate the use cases for urban air mobility. The routes in Southern France, Monaco, Italy and Switzerland, meet the criteria given the geography, short distances and large

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addressable markets. In addition these markets have connectivity to our existing service areas where the Blade brand enjoys recognition, creating the opportunity for cross pollination between our North American and European customer base.

We hereafter refer to the three European legal entities (Blade Europe, Blade France and Blade Monaco) collectively as "Blade Europe".

Prior to the completion of the acquisition, the sellers completed a series of reorganization transactions in which all assets and liabilities relating to the distribution and commercial passenger transportation activities of Héli Sécurité SAS, a French société par actions simplifiée ("Héli Sécurité") and Azur Hélicoptère SAS, a French société par action simplifiée ("Azur") were transferred to Héli Tickets France and all assets and liabilities relating to the distribution and commercial passenger transportation activities of Monacair S.A.M., a Monegasque société anonyme ("Monacair" and collectively with Héli Sécurité and Azur, the "Operators") were transferred to Helicopter Monaco.

Simultaneously with the acquisition, on September 1, 2022 Blade Europe entered into an Aircraft Operator Agreement (the "Europe AOA") with the sellers and the Operators. The Europe AOA governs the terms of the operating relationship between the parties thereto, including among other things, the right of Blade to act as exclusive air charter broker and/or reseller of the air transportation services to be operated and provided by the Operators thereto for specific routes at pre-negotiated fixed hourly rates and with a minimum number of annual flight hours guaranteed to the Operators by Blade. The agreement's initial term ends on December 31, 2032 and it will thereafter automatically renew for successive three year periods.

The Company determined that the Europe AOA is an embedded lease and accounted for the lease component of the minimum guarantee as an operating right-of-use ("ROU") asset with a corresponding balance included in the lease liability reported in the Company's consolidated balance sheets (see Note 5).

Blade paid an aggregate cash purchase price for the Shares of Héli Tickets France and Helicopter Monaco of \$47,800 (\$48,101). Acquisition costs of \$3,032 were expensed as incurred and are included in general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statement of operations for the year ended December 31, 2022.

The results of Blade Europe for the period from the September 1, 2022 ("acquisition date") to December 31, 2022 are included in the Short Distance product line which is part of the Passenger segment.

## Net Assets Acquired

The assets acquired and liabilities assumed have been included in the consolidated financial statements as of the acquisition date. Total assets acquired included identifiable intangible assets of \$25,862. At the time of acquisition, the Company recognized an asset for goodwill, determined as the excess of the purchase price over the net fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed that amounted to \$24,652. The value of the components within goodwill included expected revenue, cost synergies, new customers and key personnel.

The purchase price was allocated as follows:

Property and equipment, net	162
Identifiable intangible assets	25,862
Operating right-of-use asset	11,913
Total identifiable assets acquired	37,937
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	221
Operating lease liability	11,913
Deferred tax liability	2,354
Total liabilities assumed	14,488
Net assets acquired	23,449
Goodwill	24,652
Total consideration	\$ 48,101

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An assessment of the fair value of identified intangible assets and their respective lives as of the acquisition date are as follows:

	Estimated Useful Life	Fair Value
Exclusive rights to air transportation services	12	\$ 25,359
Customer list	3	503
Total identifiable intangible assets		\$ 25,862

Identified intangible assets in the table above are amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives. The Company believes that the straight-line method of amortization is the most appropriate methodology as it is supported by the pattern in which the economic benefits of the intangible assets are consumed.

The fair value of the exclusive rights to air transportation services was determined using the income approach. In the income approach, the fair value of an asset is based on the expected receipt of future economic benefits such as earnings and cash inflows from current sales projections and estimated costs over the estimated contractual relationship period. Indications of value were developed by discounting these benefits to their present value.

The fair value of the customer list was determined using the replacement cost approach. In the replacement cost approach, the fair value of an asset is based on the cost of a market participant to reconstruct a substitute asset of comparable utility, adjusted for any obsolescence. The fair value of the asset would include the seller's expected profit margin in the market and any opportunity costs lost over the period to reconstruct the substitute asset.

# Unaudited Pro Forma Information

The following unaudited pro forma financial information presents what our results would have been had Blade Europe been acquired on January 1, 2022. The unaudited pro forma information presented below is for informational purposes only and is not necessarily indicative of our consolidated results of operations of the consolidated business had the acquisition actually occurred at the beginning of the period presented or of the results of our future operations of the consolidated business.

	 For the Year Ended December 31, 2022
Reported Revenue	\$ 146,120
Impact of Blade Europe(1)	 23,369
Pro forma Revenue	\$ 169,489

(1) In the accompanying consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2022, reported revenue includes \$ 4,211 million of revenue from this acquisition.

The Company did not include net profit (loss) pro forma information as it is deemed impractical. Historical information was not available as the acquired companies have never operated as stand-alone businesses with the distribution and commercial transportation activities being operated by a different party than the operational activities. The pro forma profit (loss) of the acquired companies is based primarily on the hourly flying rates set annually with the Operators through the Europe AOA. As this agreement did not exist prior to the acquisition, it is not possible to compute the pro forma profit (loss) for these entities.

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# Note 4 - Goodwill and Intangible Assets

The changes in the carrying value of goodwill are as follows:

Goodwill balance, December 31, 2022	\$ 39,445
Adjustment(1)	100
Foreign currency translation	828
Goodwill balance, December 31, 2023	\$ 40,373

(1) Represents a measurement period adjustment made during the year ended December 31, 2023. See Note 3 for additional information.

The goodwill pertains to the Blade Europe Acquisition on September 1, 2022 (see Note 3 for additional information) and Trinity Acquisition on September 15, 2021.

The following table presents information about the Company's intangible assets as of:

		 December 31, 2023						<b>December 31, 2022</b>				
	Estimated Useful Life	Gross Carrying Amount		Accumulated Amortization		Net		Gross Carrying Amount		Accumulated Amortization		Net
Exclusive rights to air transportation												
services(1)(2)	5-12 years	\$ 18,946	\$	(8,042)	\$	10,904	\$	38,594	\$	(3,473)	\$	35,121
Customer list(1)	3-10 years	12,094		(3,653)		8,441		12,077		(2,346)		9,731
Domain name	Indefinite	504		_		504		504		_		504
Trademarks	6-10 years	1,006		(392)		614		1,006		(136)		870
Developed technology	3 years	250		(194)		56		250		(111)		139
Total		\$ 32,800	\$	(12,281)	\$	20,519	\$	52,431	\$	(6,066)	\$	46,365

- (1) Includes intangible assets associated with the acquisition of Blade Europe. See Note 3 for additional information.
- (2) Exclusive rights to air transportation services include exclusive rights to Helijet's scheduled passenger routes in Canada acquired in 2021.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recognized an impairment charge for the exclusive rights to air transportation services associated with the acquisition of Blade Europe in the amount of \$20,753, which was included in intangible impairment expense within general and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of operations and is part of the Passenger segment. The impairment was as a result of adjustments made to the near term projections for revenue, expenses and expected EVA introduction, to reflect our experience operating Blade Europe since September 2022 as well as expected delays in the commercialization of EVA.

Fair value was determined using the discounted estimated cash flows to measure the impairment loss for the asset group for which undiscounted future net cash flows were not sufficient to recover the net book value.

The estimated cash flows used to assess the recoverability of our long-lived assets and measure fair value are derived from current business plans. These plans consider price and volume projections. Other important assumptions include flight-hour costs, timing of EVA becoming commercial, EVA cost of operation, and the use of an appropriate discount rate. We believe our estimates and models are similar to what a market participant would use.

The fair value measurement of our long-lived assets is considered a Level 3 measurement because it relies on significant inputs not observable in the market. These inputs include discount rates and determination of long-term estimates of profitability and cash flow values. We used a weighted average discount rate of 12.5% to calculate the fair value of the impaired asset groups in 2023. This rate, along with the long-term estimates of profitability and cash flow values, represents management's best estimate of what a market participant would use.

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For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, amortization of its finite-lived intangible assets were \$6,036 and \$4,895, respectively.

As of December 31, 2023, the estimated amortization expense of its finite-lived intangible assets for each of the next five years are as follows:

## For the Year Ended December 31.

2024	\$ 4,440
2025	4,315
2026	3,994
2027	1,761
2028	1,649

# Note 5 - Right-of-Use Asset and Operating Lease Liability

Blade's operating leases consist of airport and heliport terminals, offices, vehicles and aircraft leases that are embedded within certain Capacity Purchase Agreements ("CPAs"). Upon meeting certain criteria as stated in ASC 842 *Leases*, the lease component of a CPA would be accounted for as an embedded lease, with a corresponding balance included in the operating right-of-use ("ROU") asset and lease liability.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company added the following leases in accordance with ASC 842:

A CPA for two aircraft was executed in August 2023, with a term from May 23, 2023 through August 31, 2024. In case of early termination by Blade, a one-year flight hour guarantee will be pro-rated to the date of the termination. In addition, Blade has the right for immediate termination with no penalty if a government authority enacts travel restrictions.

Effective in February 2023, Blade entered into an agreement for athree-year term ending February 14, 2026 forthree aircraft (previous term was less than one year). This CPA was restated and amended in September 2023 for modified revenue guarantees and additional five months (for a total three-year term ending July 31, 2026). This CPA was further restated and amended in December 2023 to encompass modified revenue guarantees and an additional nine months (for a revised term from August 1, 2023 through April 30, 2027). In case of early termination by Blade, a one-year revenue guarantee will be pro-rated to the date of the termination. In addition, Blade has the right for immediate termination with no penalty if a government authority enacts travel restrictions.

Effective in March 2022, Blade entered into an agreement for athree-year term ending March 31, 2025 for six aircraft. This CPA was restated and amended in March 2023 for seven aircraft and additional two years (for a total five-year term ending March 31, 2028). This CPA was further restated and amended in December 2023 for up toeight aircraft for a five-year term ending March 31, 2028. Blade has the right to terminate the agreement without cause upon60 days' written notice, upon such termination a one-year flight hour guarantee will be pro-rated to the date of the termination and the operator will be entitled to retain any unapplied deposit paid by Blade at the time of such termination, in addition, Blade has the right for immediate termination with no penalty if a government authority enacts travel restrictions.

The Company allocated the consideration in the capacity purchase agreements to the lease and non-lease components based on their relative standalone value. The non-lease components for these agreements primarily consist of the costs associated with flight operations. The Company determined its best estimate of the standalone value of the individual components by considering observable information from publicly available market rates.

In addition, during the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company recognized a right-of-use asset and a lease liability for a pre-existing terminal facility lease in New York City. Prior to recognizing it this year, this lease had been accounted for as short term lease, in accordance with its contractual terms. Following the completion of leasehold improvements to the facilities, the Company reassessed the likelihood of renewal and determined that the lease would be extended to a longer

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term. As a result, this lease is now accounted for as an operating lease with a corresponding balance included in the ROU asset and lease liability on the balance sheet.

See Note 11, "Commitments and Contingencies", for additional information about our capacity purchase agreements.

Balance sheet information related to the Company's leases is presented below:

	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Operating leases:		
Operating right-of-use asset	\$ 23,484	\$ 17,692
Operating lease liability, current	4,787	3,362
Operating lease liability, long-term	19,738	14,970

As of December 31, 2023, included in the table above is \$\mathbb{L}1,081, \$\mathbb{S}3,215\$ and \$\mathbb{L}18,871\$ of operating right-of-use asset, current operating lease liability, and long-term operating lease liability, respectively, under aircraft leases that are embedded within the capacity purchase agreements. As of December 31, 2022, included in the table above is \$\mathbb{L}4,916, \$\mathbb{L}1,748\$ and \$\mathbb{L}13,705\$ of operating right-of-use asset, current operating lease liability, and long-term operating lease liability, respectively, under aircraft leases that are embedded within the capacity purchase agreements.

The following provides details of the Company's lease expense:

	 Year Ended December 31,			
	 2023	2022		
Lease cost:				
Short-term lease cost	\$ 434 \$	304		
Operating lease cost	2,072	1,196		
Operating lease cost - Cost of revenue	4,618	1,379		
Total	\$ 7,124 \$	2,879		

Operating lease costs related to aircraft leases that are embedded within capacity purchase agreements are reported as part of Cost of revenue.

Other information related to leases is presented below:

	December 31, 2023		
Weighted-average discount rate – operating lease		9.00	%
Weighted-average remaining lease term – operating lease (in years)			6.3

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As of December 31, 2023, the expected annual minimum lease payments of the Company's operating lease liabilities were as follows:

For the Year Ended December 31	
2024	\$ 6,770
2025	5,459
2026	5,205
2027	4,354
2028	2,707
Thereafter	8,252
Total future minimum lease payments, undiscounted	32,747
Less: Imputed interest for leases in excess of one year	(8,222)
Present value of future minimum lease payments	\$ 24,525

# $Note\ 6-Stock\text{-}Based\ Compensation$

# Stock Option Awards

Following is a summary of stock option activities for the year ended December 31, 2023:

Intrinsic Value
\$ 24,119
\$ 24,119

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 the Company recorded no stock option expense. The fair value of stock options is amortized on a straight-line basis over the requisite service periods of the respective awards. As of December 31, 2023, there is no unrecognized stock-based compensation costs to be recognized in future periods.

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## Restricted Stock

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company granted an aggregate of 786,394 of the Company's restricted stock units to various employees, officers, directors, consultants, and service providers under the 2021 Equity Incentive Plan. The restricted stock units have various vesting dates, ranging from vesting on the grant date to as late as four years from the date of grant.

		Weighted Average G Date	Frant
	Restricted Stock Units	Fair Value	
Non-vested – January 1, 2023	7,466,636	\$	5.52
Granted	786,394		3.51
Vested	(2,724,920)		5.96
Forfeited	(268,128)		5.59
Non-vested – December 31, 2023	5,259,982	\$	4.99

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Company recorded \$12,501 and \$8,277, respectively, in employee and officers restricted stock compensation expense. As of December 31, 2023, unamortized stock-based compensation costs related to restricted share arrangements was \$24,151 and will be recognized over a weighted average period of 2.6 years.

#### Stock-Based Compensation Expense

Stock-based compensation expense for stock options and restricted stock units in the consolidated statements of operations is summarized as follows:

	 For the Years Ended			
	December 31, 2023		December 31, 2022	
Software development	\$ 739	\$	941	
General and administrative(1)	13,849		9,142	
Selling and marketing	596		319	
Total stock-based compensation expense	\$ 15,184	\$	10,402	

<sup>(1)</sup> The year ended December 31, 2023, includes an expense of \$3,022 in connection with the equity-based portion of Trinity's contingent consideration with a corresponding amount within accounts payable and accrued expenses, expected to be granted in 2024 in respect of 2023 results, offset by a credit of \$339 in connection with the settlement of the equity-based portion of contingent consideration that was granted in the first quarter of 2023 in respect of 2022 results. The year ended December 31, 2022, included an expense of \$2,125 in connection with the equity-based portion of Trinity's contingent consideration, granted in the first quarter of 2023 in respect of 2022 results.

# Note 7 - Segment and Geographic Information

# Segment Information

Operating segments are defined as components of an enterprise that engage in business activities for which discrete financial information is available that is evaluated regularly by the chief operating decision maker ("CODM") and is used in resource allocation and performance assessments. In addition, per ASC 280, Segment Reporting, paragraph 280-10-50-11, two or more operating segments may be aggregated into a single reported segment if the segments have similar economic characteristics. The Company has identified two reporting segments - Passenger and Medical. Our CODM is our senior management team. Our senior management team regularly reviews discrete information for those two reporting segments. The Passenger segment consists of our two product lines Short Distance and Jet and Other. The Medical segment consists of the MediMobility Organ Transport product lines are defined in Note 2 in the Revenue Recognition section.

The CODM evaluates the performance of the segments and allocates resources primarily based on their respective revenue and income (loss) before income tax expense (benefit). The CODM does not evaluate operating segments or allocate resources using asset information and, accordingly, asset information by segment is not presented herein.

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The following table reflects certain financial data of the Company's reportable segments:

	Year Ended December 31,			
	 2023		2022	
Segment revenue				
Passenger	\$ 98,576	\$	74,341	
Medical	 126,604		71,779	
Total revenue	\$ 225,180	\$	146,120	
Segment loss				
Passenger	\$ (33,503)	\$	(14,029)	
Medical	 (1,388)		(2,930)	
Loss from reportable segments	(34,891)		(16,959)	
Unallocated corporate costs & software development(1)	(33,226)		(36,570)	
Other non-operating income	10,575		25,497	
Loss before income taxes	\$ (57,542)	\$	(28,032)	
	December 31, 2023		December 31, 2022	
Goodwill				
Passenger	\$ 27,045	\$	26,117	
Medical	 13,328		13,328	
Total goodwill	\$ 40,373	\$	39,445	

<sup>(1)</sup> Unallocated corporate costs & software development includes costs that are not directly attributable to our reportable segments.

# Geographic Information

Revenue by geography is based on where the flight's operator is based. Long-lived assets, net includes property and equipment, net and operating right-of-use assets. Summary financial data attributable to various geographic regions for the periods indicated is as follows:

Year Ended December 31,

	2023	2022
Revenue		
United States	\$ 190,744	\$ 133,298
Other	34,436	 12,822
Total revenue	\$ 225,180	\$ 146,120
	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022
Long-lived assets		

	2023	2022
Long-lived assets		
United States	\$ 13,727	\$ 7,195
Other	12,656	12,534
Total long-lived assets	\$ 26,383	\$ 19,729

Corporate costs also include shared costs such as finance, accounting, tax, human resources, information technology, legal costs and costs of the development of our application.

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# Note 8 - Income Taxes

The components of loss before income taxes were:

		For the Years Ended		
		December 31, December 2023 2022		
United States	\$	(26,676)	\$ (21,563)	
Foreign		(30,866)	(6,469)	
Total	_	(57,542)	(28,032)	

The Company follows the provisions of the accounting guidance on accounting for income taxes which requires recognition of deferred tax assets and liabilities for the expected future tax consequences of events that have been included in the consolidated financial statements or tax returns. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the financial statement and tax basis of assets and liabilities using enacted tax rates in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. A valuation allowance is provided to reduce the deferred tax asset to a level which, more likely than not, will be realized.

The benefit for income taxes is comprised of the following components:

·	For the Years Ended		
Current:	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	
Federal	<u> </u>	\$	
State	_	_	
Total current	_		
Deferred:			
Federal	_	(84)	
State	_	(60)	
Foreign	(1,466)	(628)	
Total deferred	(1,466)	(772)	
Total income tax benefit	\$ (1,466)	\$ (772)	

The income taxes benefit differs from the amount computed by applying the statutory federal income tax rate to loss before income taxes. The sources and tax effects of the differences are as follows:

	For the Years Ended		
	December 31, 2023	December 31, 2022	
Tax at federal statutory rate	21.00 %	21.00 %	
State and local tax	1.88	8.43	
Foreign rate differential(1)	2.16	0.93	
Warrant liability	0.78	18.17	
Executive compensation	(2.74)	_	
Earn-out	(3.68)	(4.72)	
Prior year adjustments	_	(0.64)	
Change in deferred tax rate	(7.59)	_	
Change in valuation allowance(1)	(9.55)	(37.58)	
Other	0.29	(0.57)	
Transaction costs	_	(2.27)	
Effective tax rate	2.55 %	2.75 %	

(1) Prior period percentage have been updated to conform to current period presentation

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The Company's deferred tax assets/(liabilities) consist of the following:

	As	of December 31,
	2023	2022
Deferred tax assets:		
Net operating loss carryforwards	\$ 25	,351 \$ 22,522
Stock-based compensation	2	2,523 2,225
Research and development credits		708 424
Capitalized Research Expenses	2	,110 1,244
Operating lease liability	$\epsilon$	,416 4,690
Accrued expenses	1	,055 657
Other		766 691
Total deferred tax assets	38	,929 32,453
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Property and equipment		— (155)
481(a) Adjustment		— (97)
Operating right-of-use asset	(6	,145) (4,492)
Amortization of intangibles	(2	,073) (3,917)
Total deferred tax liabilities	(8	,218) (8,661)
Total net deferred tax assets, before valuation allowance	30	,711 23,792
Less: Valuation allowance	(31	,162) (25,668)
Deferred tax liabilities, net of valuation allowance	\$	(451) \$ (1,876)

As of December 31, 2023, the Company has a valuation allowance of approximately \$1,162 against the net deferred tax assets, for which realization cannot be considered more likely than not at this time. In assessing the need for a valuation allowance, the Company considers all positive and negative evidence, including scheduled reversals of deferred tax liabilities, projected future taxable income, tax planning strategies, jurisdictional netting and past financial performance. As of December 31, 2023 and 2022, based upon the consideration of such evidence, management believes a full valuation allowance against net deferred tax assets is warranted, with the exception of Monaco net operating losses.

The valuation allowance recorded by the Company as of December 31, 2023 resulted from the uncertainties of the future utilization of deferred tax assets relating primarily to net operating loss ("NOL") carryforwards for US federal, Canada, France and US state income tax purposes. Realization of the NOL carryforwards is contingent on future taxable earnings. The deferred tax asset was reviewed for expected utilization using a "more likely than not" approach by assessing the available positive and negative evidence surrounding its recoverability. Accordingly, a full valuation allowance continues to be recorded, with the exception of Monaco net operating losses, as it was determined based upon past and projected future losses that it was "more likely than not" that the Company's deferred tax assets would not be realized. The Company's net deferred tax liability of \$451 relates solely to Blade Europe. The Company's valuation allowance increased by \$5,494 in 2023.

As of December 31, 2023, the Company has approximately \$79,737 of gross US federal and \$94,644 of gross US state and local net operating loss carryforwards. The US federal, state and city net operating losses begin to expire in the year 2035. Federal net operating losses incurred in tax year 2018 and beyond do not expire. The Company has \$65,770 of federal net operating losses with an indefinite life.

In addition, as of December 31, 2023, the Company has approximately \$4,551 of gross Canadian, \$4,414 of gross French and \$931 of gross Monaco net operating losses. Canadian net operating losses can be carried forward 20 years and French

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& Monaco net operating losses can be carried forward indefinitely. Canadian net operating losses will begin to expire in 2041.

Sections 382 and 383 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 subject the future utilization of net operating losses and certain other tax attributes, such as research and experimental tax credits, to an annual limitation in the event of certain ownership changes, as defined. The Company has undergone an ownership change study and has determined multiple changes in ownership as defined by IRC Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, did occur in December 2017, February 2018, and May 2021.

Based on the Company having undergone multiple ownership changes throughout its history, limited NOLs are subject to limitation at varying rates each year. Of the Company's \$79,737 of total gross federal NOLs, approximately \$3,858 of the Company's NOL carryforwards are subject to limitation. In addition, approximately \$1,459 of NOLs and \$112 of R&D Credits are expected to expire unused. The deferred tax assets associated with these attributes that are expected to expire without utilization have not been included within the deferred tax asset table or discussion above. There are approximately \$75,879 of NOLs available to offset taxable income as of December 31, 2023. NOLs will continue to become available through 2037.

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (TCJA) has modified the IRC 174 expenses related to research and development for tax years beginning after December 31, 2021. Under the TCJA, the Company must now capitalize the expenditures related to research and development activities and amortize over five years for U.S. activities and 15 years for non-U.S. activities using a mid-year convention. Therefore, the capitalization of research and development costs in accordance with IRC 174 resulted in a gross deferred tax asset of \$7,682.

The Company files tax returns in the U.S. federal, Canada, France, Monaco and various US state and local jurisdictions and is subject to examination by tax authorities. The Company has reported US net operating losses dating back to inception. The IRS may examine records from the year a loss occurred when a net operating loss is applied. Thus, the Company is subject to U.S. federal income tax examinations for all years. The statute in other jurisdictions is generally three to four years but could be extended in certain circumstances.

On August 16, 2022, President Biden signed the Inflation Reduction Act, which is effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2023 and includes a corporate minimum tax on certain corporations and a one percent excise tax on stock repurchases. We do not anticipate this legislation will have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

# Note 9 - Net Loss per Common Share

Basic loss per common share is computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted loss per common share is computed by dividing net loss by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding, plus the impact of common shares, if dilutive, resulting from the exercise of outstanding stock options, restricted shares, and warrants.

A reconciliation of net loss and common stock share amounts used in the computation of basic and diluted loss per common share is presented below.

	 Year Ended December 31,		
	2023	2022	
Basic and dilutive loss per common share:	 		
Net loss attributable to Blade Air Mobility, Inc.	\$ (56,076) \$	(27,260)	
Total weighted-average basic common shares outstanding	73,524,476	71,238,103	
Net loss per common share:			
Basic and diluted loss per common share	\$ (0.76) \$	(0.38)	

The following table represents common stock equivalents that were excluded from the computation of diluted loss per common share for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022 because the effect of their inclusion would be anti-

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dilutive:

Year Ended December 31,			
2023	2022		
14,166,644	14,166,644		
7,217,074	7,603,864		
5,259,982	7,466,636		
26,643,700	29,237,144		
	2023 14,166,644 7,217,074 5,259,982		

## Note 10 - Related Party Transactions

The Company occasionally engages in transactions for certain air charter services with jet operators who are part of the portfolio of RedBird Capital Partners Management LLC, which is an investor in our company. Additionally, one of the board of directors is a Partner of an affiliated company of RedBird Capital Partners Management LLC.

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company paid these jet operators approximately \$369 for air charter services.

# Note 11 - Commitments and Contingencies

#### Capacity Purchase Agreements

Blade has contractual relationships with various aircraft operators to provide aircraft service. Under these CPAs, the Company pays the operator contractually agreed fees (carrier costs) for operating these flights. The fees are generally based on fixed hourly rates for flight time multiplied by hours flown. Under these CPAs, the Company is also responsible for landing fees and other costs, which are either passed through by the operator to the Company without any markup or directly incurred by the Company.

As of December 31, 2023, the Company has remaining unfulfilled obligations under agreements with various aircraft operators to provide aircraft service. The remaining unfulfilled obligation includes amounts within operating lease liability related to aircraft leases embedded within our capacity purchase agreements as discussed in Note 5 – Right-of-Use Asset and Operating Lease Liability. These future unfulfilled obligations were as follows:

For the Year Ended December 31	Total Unfulfilled Obligation	Imn	nediate Termination (1)	Termination for Convenience (2)
2024	\$ 13,982	\$	4,975	\$ 3,132
2025	21,567		13,327	_
2026	21,260		13,021	_
2027	20,687		12,447	_
2028	18,740		10,500	_
2029 - 2032 (each year)	8.240		_	_

- (1) Within total unfulfilled obligation, the following amounts are where Blade has the ability for immediate termination if a government authority enacts travel restrictions.
- (2) Within total unfulfilled obligation, the following amounts are where Blade could terminate for convenience upon 30 or 60 days' notice, with a one-year annual minimum guarantee being pro-rated as of the termination date.

# Legal and Environmental

From time to time, we may be a party to litigation that arises in the ordinary course of business. Other than described below, we do not have any pending litigation that, separately or in the aggregate, would, in the opinion of management, have a material adverse effect on its results of operations, financial condition or cash flows. As of December 31, 2023, management believes, after considering a number of factors, including (but not limited to) the information currently available, the views of legal counsel, the nature of contingencies to which the Company is subject and prior experience, that the ultimate disposition of these other litigation and claims will not materially affect the Company's consolidated

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financial position or results of operations. The Company records liabilities for legal and environmental claims when a loss is probable and reasonably estimable. These amounts are recorded based on the Company's assessments of the likelihood of their eventual disposition.

In July 2022, Trinity Air Medical, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc., received a federal grand jury subpoena seeking records related to the provision of transplant transportation services. On August 2, 2023, the Company received notice that the grand jury investigation into the transplant transportation services industry has been closed and that the Company is no longer bound by the obligations placed on it by the subpoena.

On February 8, 2024, and February 21, 2024, two putative class action lawsuits relating to the acquisition of Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc. ("Old Blade") were filed. The lawsuits are captioned McFee v. Affeldt, et al. ("McFee") and Drulias v. Affeldt, et al. ("Drulias") (Del. Ch. 2024). McFee asserts breach of fiduciary duty claims against the former directors of Experience Investment Corp. ("EIC Directors") and KSL Capital Partners Management V and alleges that the proxy statement related to the acquisition of Old Blade ("Merger Proxy") insufficiently disclosed EIC's cash position and the shareholder economics of the combined Company. Drulius asserts breach of fiduciary duty and unjust enrichment claims against the EIC Directors, the former officers of EIC, and KSL Capital Partners, LLC ("KSL"), and aiding and an abetting breach of fiduciary duty claim against KSL. The Drulias complaint alleges that the Merger Proxy insufficiently disclosed EIC's cash position, Old Blade's value prospects and risks, and information related to Old Blade's chief executive officer, who is also our current chief executive officer. The complaints seek, among other things, damages and attorneys' fees and costs.

## Non-Cancellable Commitments with Vendors

In December 2023, the Company entered into a technology service agreement with a vendor for cloud computing services where we are committed to spend \$0.6 million, \$1.1 million and \$1.6 million for the years ending December 31, 2024, 2025 and 2026, respectively.

#### Contingent Consideration Compensation (earn-out)

On September 15, 2021, the Company completed its acquisition of 100% of Trinity Air Medical, Inc. ("Trinity") shares. In connection with the Trinity acquisition, potential earn-out payments may be made contingent upon Trinity's achievement of an EBITDA target for the year 2023. The sellers are eligible for the earn-out only while employed with the Company, classifying it as compensation expense. The final earn-out payment was calculated and paid in the beginning of the calendar year 2024. 70% of the payment was made in cash. For the year ended December 31, 2023, the Company included \$10,073 in accounts payable and accrued expenses in connection with the Trinity acquisition in respect of 2023 results. 2023 is the last year subject to an earn-out payment.

## Note 12 - Warrant Liabilities

Warrants — Public Warrants may only be exercised for a whole number of shares. The Public Warrants became exercisable on June 7, 2021. The Public Warrants will expire on May 7, 2026 or earlier upon redemption or liquidation.

Redemptions of Warrants for Cash— The Company may redeem the Public Warrants:

- in whole and not in part;
- at a price of \$0.01 per warrant;
- upon not less than 30 days' prior written notice of redemption to each warrant holder; and
- if, and only if, the reported last sale price of the Company's common stock equals or exceeds \$18.00 per share for any 20 trading days within a 30-trading day period ending three business days before the Company sends the notice of redemption to each warrant holder.

Redemption of Warrants for Shares of Common Stock— The Company may redeem the outstanding warrants:

- in whole and not in part:
- at a price equal to a number of shares of common stock to be determined, based on the redemption date and the fair market value of the Company's common stock;

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- upon a minimum of 30 days' prior written notice of redemption;
- if, and only if, the last reported sale price of the Company's common stock equals or exceeds \$0.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganizations, recapitalizations, and the like) on the trading day prior to the date on which the Company sends the notice of redemption to the warrant holders; and
- if, and only if, there is an effective registration statement covering the shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants and a current prospectus relating thereto is available throughout the 30-day period after the written notice of redemption is given.

If the Company calls the Public Warrants for redemption for cash, management will have the option to require all holders that wish to exercise the Public Warrants to do so on a "cashless basis", as described in the warrant agreement. The exercise price and number of shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants may be adjusted in certain circumstances including in the event of a stock dividend, recapitalization, reorganization, merger, or consolidation. However, except as described below, the warrants will not be adjusted for issuance of common stock at a price below its exercise price. Additionally, in no event will the Company be required to net-cash settle the warrants.

The Private Placement Warrants are identical to the Public Warrants underlying the Units sold in the initial public offering, except that the Private Placement Warrants will be exercisable on a cashless basis and be non-redeemable so long as they are held by the initial purchasers or their permitted transferees (unless the Class A common stock equals or exceed \$10 per share and the Company redeem all the Public Warrants). If the Private Placement Warrants are held by someone other than the initial purchasers or their permitted transferees, the Private Placement Warrants will be redeemable by the Company and exercisable by such holders on the same basis as the Public Warrants.

#### Note 13 - Fair Value Measurements

The Company follows the guidance in ASC 820, Fair Value Measurement ("ASC 820"), for its financial assets and liabilities that are re-measured and reported at fair value at each reporting period, and non-financial assets and liabilities that are re-measured and reported at fair value at least annually.

The fair value of the Company's financial assets and liabilities reflects management's estimate of amounts that the Company would have received in connection with the sale of the assets or paid in connection with the transfer of the liabilities in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. In connection with measuring the fair value of its assets and liabilities, the Company seeks to maximize the use of observable inputs (market data obtained from independent sources) and to minimize the use of unobservable inputs (internal assumptions about how market participants would price assets and liabilities). The following fair value hierarchy is used to classify assets and liabilities based on the observable inputs and unobservable inputs used in order to value the assets and liabilities:

- Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities. An active market for an asset or liability is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.
- Level 2: Observable inputs other than Level 1 inputs. Examples of Level 2 inputs include quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities and quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in markets that are not active.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs based on management's assessment of the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

The following table presents information about the Company's assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation inputs the Company utilized to determine such fair value.

	Level	December 31, 2023		December 31, 2022	
Warrant liabilities - Public Warrants	1	\$ 3,208	\$	4,583	
Warrant liabilities - Private Warrants	2	1,750		2,500	
Fair value of aggregate warrant liabilities		\$ 4,958	\$	7,083	

The Warrants were accounted for as liabilities in accordance with ASC 815-40 and are presented within "Warrant liability" on the Company's consolidated balance sheets. The warrant liabilities are measured at fair value upon assumption and on a

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recurring basis, with changes in fair value presented within "Change in fair value of warrant liabilities" in the consolidated statements of operations.

The Public Warrants are considered part of Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy, as those securities are traded on an active public market. At May 7, 2021 and thereafter, the Company valued the Private Warrants using Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. The Company used the value of the Public Warrants as an approximation of the value of the Private Warrants as they are substantially similar to the Public Warrants, but not directly traded or quoted on an active market.

# Subsequent measurement

The following table presents the changes in fair value of the warrant liabilities:

	Public Warrants	Private Placement Warrants	Total Warrant Liability
Fair value as of January 1, 2023	\$ 4,583	\$ 2,500	\$ 7,083
Change in fair value of warrant liabilities	(1,375)	(750)	(2,125)
Fair value as of December 31, 2023	\$ 3,208	\$ 1,750	\$ 4,958

#### Note 14 - Stockholders' Equity

## Preferred Stock

The board of directors of the Company is authorized to provide, out of the unissued shares of Preferred Stock, for one or more series of Preferred Stock and, with respect to each such series, to fix, without further stockholder approval, the number of shares constituting such series and the designation of such series, the powers (including voting powers), preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, of such series of Preferred Stock. The powers (including voting powers), preferences and relative, participating, optional and other special rights of, and the qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereof, of each series of Preferred Stock, if any, may differ from those of any and all other series at any time outstanding. There was no preferred stock issued and outstanding as of December 31, 2023 or December 31, 2022.

# Note 15 – Subsequent Events

On March 11, 2024, Blade entered into definitive agreements to acquireeight fixed-wing aircraft (the "Acquired Aircraft") from M&N Equipment, LLC ("M&N"), Atlas Jet Inc. and Aviation Bridge, LLC for a combined purchase price of approximately \$21.0 million, funded by the application of approximately \$9.3 million in existing prepaid deposits under existing Capacity Purchase Agreements with M&N, and approximately \$11.7 million in cash, subject to traditional closing conditions, inspections, holdbacks and adjustments. Blade intends to utilize the Acquired Aircraft, which were previously dedicated to Blade under existing Capacity Purchase Agreements, to support its Medical business line. The Acquired Aircraft will continue to be operated by M&N, subject to the execution of aircraft management and operation agreements.

On March 8, 2024, the Compensation Committee granted an aggregate of 5,057,140 Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units ("PSUs") to our named executive officers and key employees under the Company's 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The PSUs will vest subject to the achievement of certain financial performance metrics by the Company. Each PSU represents the right to receive one share of the Company's common stock. The grant date fair value of these PSUs are \$3.94 per share.

Exhibit No.	Description
2.1(1)	Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of December 14, 2020
$2.2^{(9)}$	Share Purchase Agreement, dated as of May 18, 2022, by and among Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc. and the Sellers party thereto
3.1(2)	Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Blade Air Mobility, Inc.
$3.2^{(2)}$	Amended and Restated Bylaws of Blade Air Mobility, Inc.
4.1(3)	Specimen Class A Common Stock Certificate of Blade Air Mobility, Inc.
$4.2^{(3)}$	Specimen Warrant Certificate of Blade Air Mobility, Inc.
4.3 <sup>(4)</sup>	Warrant Agreement, dated September 12, 2019, by and between Experience Investment Corp. and American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, LLC, as warrant agent
4.4(13)	Description of the Registrant's Securities Registered Pursuant to Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
10.1(6)	Investor Rights Agreement, dated as of December 14, 2020
10.2(6)	Sponsor Letter Agreement, dated as of December 14, 2020
10.3(6)	Form of Support Agreement
10.4(6)	Form of PIPE Subscription Agreement
$10.5^{(6)}$	Fly Blade, Inc. Amended and Restated Investors' Rights Agreement, dated January 30, 2018
$10.6^{(6)}$	Fly Blade, Inc. Amended and Restated Right of First Refusal Co-Sale Agreement, dated January 30, 2018
10.7(6)	Fly Blade, Inc. Amended and Restated Voting Agreement, dated January 30, 2018
10.8(6)	Fly Blade, Inc. 2015 Equity Incentive Plan+
10.9(12)	Blade Air Mobility, Inc. 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan+
10.10*	Form of Director and Officer Indemnification Agreement+
10.13(5)	Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement Pursuant to the Blade Air Mobility, Inc. 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan-
10.14 <sup>(7)</sup>	Purchase and Sale Agreement, dated as of September 2, 2021, among Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc., the Target Companies, the Sellers and the Seller Members party thereto
10.15(6)	Joint Venture Agreement, dated as of March 24,2019, by and among Hunch Ventures and Investments Private Limited, Blade US, LLC, and FlyBlade India Private Limited
10.16 <sup>(6)</sup>	First Amendment to Joint Venture Agreement, dated as of February 25, 2020, by and among Hunch Ventures and Investments Private Limited, LLC, and Blade US, LLC, and FlyBlade India Private Limited
10.17 <sup>(6)</sup>	License Agreement, dated March 24, 2019, by and between FlyBlade India Private Limited and Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc.
$10.18^{(6)}$	First Amendment to License Agreement, dated February 25, 2020, by and between FlyBlade India Private Limited and Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc.
10.19(6)	First Use Agreement, dated April 30, 2015, by and between Air Pegasus Heliport, Inc. and Fly Blade, Inc.
10.20(6)	Second Use Agreement, dated January 28, 2016, by and between Air Pegasus Heliport, Inc. and Fly Blade, Inc.
10.21(6)	Amended Use Agreement, dated June 1, 2017, by and between Air Pegasus Heliport, Inc. and Fly Blade, Inc.
10.22(6)	Restrictive Covenant Agreement, dated June 1, 2017, by and among Air Pegasus Heliport, Inc., Fly Blade, Inc. and Rob Wiesenthal.
10.23(6)	Asset Purchase Agreement, dated May 2018, by and among Fly Blade, Inc., Sound Aircraft Flight Enterprises, Inc. and Cindy Herbst.
10.24 <sup>(6)</sup>	Airport Lease and Operating Agreement, dated June 29, 2018, by and between the Town of Nantucket, acting by and through the Nantucket Memorial Airport Commission, and Fly Blade, Inc.
10.25(6)	Office Lease, dated November 6, 2019, by and between Turnberry Airport Holdings, LLC and Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc.
10.26 <sup>(6)</sup>	License Agreement, dated December 1, 2019, by and between Macquarie Aviation North America 2, Inc. (d/b/a Atlantic Aviation Metroport) and Blade Air Mobility, Inc.
10.27(3)	Strategic Alliance Agreement, dated January 7, 2021, by and between BLADE Urban Air Mobility, Inc. and Ross Aviation Operations, LLC.
10.28(8)	Blade Air Mobility, Inc. Change in Control Severance Plan and Summary Plan Description+
10.29(8)	Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement Pursuant to the Blade Air Mobility, Inc. 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan (Double Trigger Vesting)+

10.30(11)	Form of Stock Option Agreement of Fly Blade, Inc.+
10.31 <sup>(11)</sup>	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (Officer)+
10.32(11)	Form of Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (Non-Officer)+
10.33(10)	Exclusive Rights Purchase Agreement between Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc., Blade Urban Air Mobility (Canada), Inc., Helijet International, Inc.
10.55	and Pacific Heliport Services Ltd., dated November 30, 2021
10.34(14)	Nomination Rights Agreement, dated March 27, 2023 by and between the Company and Redbird
10.35*	Form of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement+
21.1*	<u>List of Subsidiaries</u>
23.1*	Consent of Marcum LLP
24.1*	Power of Attorney (included on signature page)
31.1*	Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a), as adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
31.2*	Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Securities Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a), as adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.1*	Certification of Principal Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.2*	Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
97.1*	Blade Air Mobility, Inc. Incentive Compensation Clawback Policy
101.INS*	Interactive Data Files pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T formatted in Inline Extensible Business Reporting Language ("Inline XBRL")
101.CAL*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.SCH*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
101.DEF*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Labels Linkbase Document
101.PRE*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted in Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101)
*	Filed herewith
(1)	Incorporated by reference to our Form 8-K (file number 001-39046) filed on December 15, 2020
(2)	Incorporated by reference to our Form 8-K (file number 001-39046) filed on May 13, 2021
(3)	Incorporated by reference to our Form S-4/A (file number 001-39046) filed on March 10, 2021
(4)	Incorporated by reference to our Form 8-K (file number 001-39046) filed on September 18, 2019
(5)	Incorporated by reference to our Form 10-Q (file number 001-39046) filed on August 16, 2021
(6)	Incorporated by reference to our Form S-4 (file number 001-39046) filed on January 29, 2021
(7)	Incorporated by reference to our Form 8-K (file number 001-39046) filed on September 2, 2021
(8)	Incorporated by reference to our Form 10-K (file number 001-39046) filed on December 20, 2021
(9)	Incorporated by reference to our Form 8-K (file number 001-39046) filed on May 19, 2022
(10)	Incorporated by reference to our Form 8-K (file number 001-39046) filed on December 2, 2021
(11)	Incorporated by reference to our Form 10-Q (file number 001-39046) filed on August 9, 2022
(12)	Incorporated by reference to our post-effective amendment to the Form S-1 (file number 001-39046) filed on January 20, 2022
(13)	Incorporated by reference to our Form 10-K (file number 001-39046) filed on March 16, 2023
(14)	Incorporated by reference to our Form 8-K (file number 001-39046) filed on March 30, 2023
+	Denotes a management contract or compensatory arrangement

# Item 16. Form 10–K Summary.

Not applicable.

# **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

# BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC.

March 12, 2024

By: /s/ Robert S. Wiesenthal

Robert S. Wiesenthal

Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

# **POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints each of Robert S. Wiesenthal and Melissa M. Tomkiel, acting alone or together with another attorney-infact, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for such person and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any or all further amendments to this Annual Report on Form 10-K, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or his or her substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Robert S. Wiesenthal	Chief Executive Officer and Director	March 12, 2024
Robert Wiesenthal	(Principal Executive Officer)	
/s/ William A. Heyburn	Chief Financial Officer	March 12, 2024
William A. Heyburn	(Principal Financial Officer)	
/s/ Amir M. Cohen	Chief Accounting Officer	March 12, 2024
Amir M. Cohen	(Principal Accounting Officer)	
/s/ Eric Affeldt	Chairman of the Board	March 12, 2024
Eric Affeldt		
/s/ John Borthwick	Director	March 12, 2024
John Borthwick		
/s/ Jane Garvey	Director	March 12, 2024
Jane Garvey		
/s/ Andrew Lauck	Director	March 12, 2024
Andrew Lauck		
/s/ Kenneth Lerer	Director	March 12, 2024
Kenneth Lerer		
/s/ Reginald Love	Director	March 12, 2024
Reginald Love		
/s/ Susan Lyne	Director	March 12, 2024
Susan Lyne		
/s/ Edward Philip	Director	March 12, 2024
Edward Philip		

# FORM OF INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

THIS INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made as of  $[\bullet]$ , 202 $[\bullet]$ , by and between BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and  $[\bullet]$  ("Indemnitee").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, highly competent persons have become more reluctant to serve publicly-held corporations as directors or officers unless they are provided with adequate protection through insurance or adequate indemnification against inordinate risks of claims and actions against them arising out of their service to and activities on behalf of such corporations;

WHEREAS, the board of directors of the Company (the "Board") has determined that, in order to attract and retain qualified individuals as directors and officers, the Company will attempt to maintain on an ongoing basis, at its sole expense, liability insurance to protect such persons serving the Company and its subsidiaries from certain liabilities. Although the furnishing of such insurance has been a customary and widespread practice among United States-based corporations and other business enterprises, the Company believes that, given current market conditions and trends, such insurance may be available to it in the future only at higher premiums and with more exclusions. At the same time, directors and officers are being increasingly subjected to expensive and time-consuming litigation. The Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation (the "Charter") and the Bylaws (the "Bylaws") of the Company require indemnification of the officers and directors of the Company. Indemnitee may also be entitled to indemnification pursuant to applicable provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law ("DCCL"). The Charter, Bylaws and the DGCL expressly provide that the indemnification provisions set forth therein are not exclusive, and thereby contemplate that contracts may be entered into between the Company and members of the Board, officers and other persons with respect to indemnification, hold harmless, exoneration, advancement and reimbursement rights;

WHEREAS, the uncertainties relating to such insurance and to indemnification have increased the difficulty of attracting and retaining such persons;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that the increased difficulty in attracting and retaining such persons is detrimental to the best interests of the Company's stockholders and that the Company should act to assure such persons that there will be increased certainty of such protection in the future;

WHEREAS, it is reasonable, prudent and necessary for the Company contractually to obligate itself to indemnify, hold harmless, exonerate and to advance Expenses on behalf of, such persons to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law so that they will serve or continue to serve the Company free from undue concern that they will not be so protected against liabilities:

WHEREAS, this Agreement is a supplement to and in furtherance of the Charter and Bylaws and any resolutions adopted pursuant thereto, and shall not be deemed a substitute therefor, nor to diminish or abrogate any rights of Indemnitee thereunder; and

WHEREAS, Indemnitee may not be willing to serve as an officer or director without adequate protection, and the Company desires Indemnitee to serve in such capacity. Indemnitee is willing to serve or continue to serve for or on behalf of the Company on the condition that Indemnitee be so indemnified.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the covenants contained herein, the Company and Indemnitee do hereby covenant and agree as follows:

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. <u>SERVICES TO THE COMPANY</u>. In consideration of the Company's covenants and obligations hereunder, Indemnitee will serve or continue to serve as an officer or director of the Company for so long as Indemnitee is duly elected or appointed or until Indemnitee tenders Indemnitee's resignation or until Indemnitee is removed. The foregoing notwithstanding, this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect after Indemnitee has ceased to serve as a director or officer of the Company, as provided in Section 17 of this Agreement. This Agreement, however, shall not impose any obligation on Indemnitee or the Company to continue Indemnitee's service to the Company beyond any period otherwise required by law or by other agreements or commitments of the parties, if any.
- 2. **DEFINITIONS**. As used in this Agreement:

- (a) References to "agent" shall mean any person who is or was a director, officer or employee of the Company or a subsidiary of the Company or other person authorized by the Company to act for the Company, to include such person serving in such capacity as a director, officer, employee, fiduciary or other official of another corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, trust or other enterprise at the request of, for the convenience of, or to represent the interests of the Company or a subsidiary of the Company.
- (b) The terms "Beneficial Owner" and "Beneficial Ownership" shall have the meanings set forth in Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act (as defined below) as in effect on the date hereof.
- (c) A "Change in Control" shall be deemed to occur upon the earliest to occur after the date of this Agreement of any of the following events:
- (i) <u>Acquisition of Stock by Third Party</u>. Any Person (as defined below) is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing fifty percent (50%) or more of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, unless (1) the change in the relative Beneficial Ownership of the Company's securities by any Person results solely from a reduction in the aggregate number of outstanding shares of securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, or (2) such acquisition was approved in advance by the Continuing Directors (as defined below) and such acquisition would not constitute a Change in Control under part (iii) of this definition;
- (ii) <u>Change in Board of Directors</u>. Individuals who, as of the date hereof, constitute the Board, and any new director whose election by the Board or nomination for election by the Company's stockholders was approved by a vote of at least two thirds of the directors then still in office who were directors on the date hereof or whose election or nomination for election was previously so approved (collectively, the "<u>Continuing Directors</u>"), cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the members of the Board:
- (iii) Corporate Transactions. The effective date of a reorganization, merger, asset acquisition, stock (or other equity interest) purchase or exchange, consolidation or other business combination involving the Company (a "Business Combination"), in each case, unless, following such Business Combination: (1) all or substantially all of the individuals and entities who were the Beneficial Owners of securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors immediately prior to such Business Combination beneficially own, directly or indirectly, more than fifty-one percent (51%) of the combined voting power of the then outstanding securities of the Company entitled to vote generally in the election of directors resulting from such Business Combination (including, without limitation, a corporation which as a result of such transaction owns the Company or all or substantially all of the Company's assets either directly or through one or more Subsidiaries (as defined below)) in substantially the same proportions as their ownership immediately prior to such Business Combination, of the securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors; (2) no Person (excluding any corporation resulting from such Business Combination) is the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of 50% or more of the combined voting power of the then outstanding securities entitled to vote generally in the election of directors of the surviving corporation except to the extent that such ownership existed prior to the Business Combination; and (3) at least a majority of the Board of Directors of the corporation resulting from such Business Combination were Continuing Directors at the time of the execution of the initial agreement, or of the action of the Board of Directors, providing for such Business Combination;
- (iv) <u>Liquidation</u>. The approval by the stockholders of the Company of a complete liquidation of the Company or an agreement or series of agreements for the sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, other than factoring the Company's current receivables or escrows due (or, if such stockholder approval is not required, the decision by the Board to proceed with such a liquidation, sale, or disposition in one transaction or a series of related transactions); or
- (v) Other Events. There occurs any other event of a nature that would be required to be reported in response to Item 6(e) of Schedule 14A of Regulation 14A (or any successor rule) (or a response to any similar item on any similar schedule or form) promulgated under the Exchange Act (as defined below), whether or not the Company is then subject to such reporting requirement.
- (d) "Corporate Status" describes the status of a person who is or was a director, officer, trustee, general partner, manager, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent of the Company or of any other Enterprise (as defined below) which such person is or was Serving at the Request of the Company (as defined below).
- (e) "Delaware Court" shall mean the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware.
- (f) "Disinterested Director" shall mean a director of the Company who is not and was not a party to the Proceeding (as defined below) in respect of which indemnification is sought by Indemnitee.

- (g) "Enterprise" shall mean the Company and any other corporation, constituent corporation (including any constituent of a constituent) absorbed in a consolidation or merger to which the Company (or any of its wholly owned subsidiaries) is a party, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise of which Indemnitee is or was Serving at the Request of the Company (as defined below) as a director, officer, trustee, manager, general partner, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent.
- (h) "Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (i) "Expenses" shall include all reasonable direct and indirect costs, fees and expenses of any type or nature whatsoever, including, without limitation, all reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, retainers, court costs, transcript costs, fees of experts, witness fees, travel expenses, fees of private investigators and professional advisors, duplicating costs, printing and binding costs, telephone charges, postage, delivery service fees, fax transmission charges, secretarial services and all other disbursements, obligations or expenses in connection with prosecuting, defending, preparing to prosecute or defend, investigating, being or preparing to be a witness in, settlement or appeal of, or otherwise participating in, a Proceeding (as defined below), including reasonable compensation for time spent by Indemnitee for which he or she is not otherwise compensated by the Company or any third party. "Expenses" also shall include expenses incurred in connection with any appeal resulting from any Proceeding (as defined below), including without limitation the principal, premium, security for, and other costs relating to any cost bond, supersedeas bond, or other appeal bond or its equivalent. "Expenses," however, shall not include amounts paid in settlement by Indemnitee or the amount of judgments or Fines (as defined below) against Indemnitee.
- (j) "Fines" shall include all fines, including without limitation any excise tax assessed on Indemnitee with respect to any employee benefit plan and any fines imposed on Indemnitee by any governmental authority.
- (k) "Independent Counsel" shall mean a law firm or a member of a law firm with significant experience in matters of corporation law and that neither presently is, nor in the past five years has been, retained to represent: (i) the Company or Indemnitee in any matter material to either such party (other than with respect to matters concerning Indemnitee under this Agreement, or of other indemnitees under similar indemnification agreements); or (ii) any other party to the Proceeding (as defined below) giving rise to a claim for indemnification hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the term "Independent Counsel" shall not include any person who, under the applicable standards of professional conduct then prevailing, would have a conflict of interest in representing either the Company or Indemnitee in an action to determine Indemnitee's rights under this Agreement.
- (1) The term "Person" shall have the meaning as set forth in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act as in effect on the date hereof; provided, however, that "Person" shall exclude: (i) the Company; (ii) any Subsidiaries (as defined below) of the Company; (iii) any employment benefit plan of the Company or of a Subsidiary (as defined below) of the Company or of any corporation owned, directly or indirectly, by the stockholders of the Company in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of stock of the Company; and (iv) any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or of a Subsidiary (as defined below) of the Company or of a corporation owned directly or indirectly by the stockholders of the Company in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of stock of the Company.
- (m) The term "Proceeding" shall include any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, arbitration, mediation, alternate dispute resolution mechanism, investigation, inquiry, administrative hearing or any other actual, threatened or completed proceeding, whether brought in the right of the Company or otherwise and whether of a civil (including intentional or unintentional tort claims), criminal, administrative, legislative or investigative nature, in which Indemnitee was, is, will or might be involved as a party, potential party, non-party witness or otherwise by reason of the fact that Indemnitee is or was a director or officer of the Company, by reason of any action (or failure to act) taken by Indemnitee of any action (or failure to act) on Indemnitee's part while acting as a director or officer of the Company, or by reason of the fact that Indemnitee is or was Serving at the Request of the Company (as defined below) as a director, officer, trustee, general partner, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent of any other Enterprise, in each case whether or not serving in such capacity at the time any liability or Expense is incurred for which indemnification, reimbursement or advancement of Expenses can be provided under this Agreement.
- (n) The term "Serving at the Request of the Company" shall include any service as a director, officer, employee, agent or fiduciary of the Company which imposes duties on, or involves services by, such director, officer, employee, agent or fiduciary with respect to an employee benefit plan, its participants or beneficiaries; and if Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner Indemnitee reasonably believed to be in the best interests of the participants and beneficiaries of an employee benefit plan, Indemnitee shall be deemed to have acted in a manner "not opposed to the best interests of the Company" as referred to in this Agreement.
- (o) The term "Subsidiary," with respect to any Person, shall mean any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, joint venture, trust or other entity of which a majority of the voting power of the voting equity securities or equity interest is owned, directly or indirectly, by that Person.

- 3. INDEMNITY IN THIRD-PARTY PROCEEDINGS. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the Company shall indemnify, hold harmless and exonerate Indemnitee in accordance with the provisions of this Section 3 if Indemnitee was, is, or is threatened to be made, a party to or a participant (as a witness, deponent or otherwise) in any Proceeding, other than a Proceeding by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status. Pursuant to this Section 3, Indemnitee shall be indemnified, held harmless and exonerated against all Expenses, judgments, liabilities, Fines, penalties and amounts paid in settlement (including all interest, assessments and other charges paid or payable in connection with or in respect of such Expenses, judgments, Fines, penalties and amounts paid in settlement) actually, and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf in connection with such Proceeding or any claim, issue or matter therein, if Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner Indemnitee reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company and, in the case of a criminal Proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful.
- 4. INDEMNITY IN PROCEEDINGS BY OR IN THE RIGHT OF THE COMPANY To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the Company shall indemnify, hold harmless and exonerate Indemnitee in accordance with the provisions of this Section 4 if Indemnitee was, is, or is threatened to be made, a party to or a participant (as a witness, deponent or otherwise) in any Proceeding by or in the right of the Company to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status. Pursuant to this Section 4, Indemnitee shall be indemnified, held harmless and exonerated against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf in connection with such Proceeding or any claim, issue or matter therein, if Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner Indemnitee reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no indemnification, hold harmless or exoneration for Expenses shall be made under this Section 4 in respect of any claim, issue or matter as to which Indemnitee shall have been finally adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be liable to the Company, unless and only to the extent that any court in which the Proceeding was brought or the Delaware Court shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances of the case, Indemnitee is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification, to be held harmless or to exoneration.
- 5. INDEMNIFICATION FOR EXPENSES OF A PARTY WHO IS WHOLLY OR PARTLY SUCCESSFUL. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, to the extent that Indemnitee was or is, by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, a party to (or a participant in) and is successful, on the merits or otherwise, in any Proceeding or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, in whole or in part, the Company shall, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, indemnify, hold harmless and exonerate Indemnitee against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee in connection therewith. If Indemnitee is not wholly successful in such Proceeding but is successful, on the merits or otherwise, as to one or more but less than all claims, issues or matters in such Proceeding, the Company shall, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, indemnify, hold harmless and exonerate Indemnitee against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf in connection with each successfully resolved claim, issue or matter. For purposes of this Section 5 and without limitation, the termination of any claim, issue or matter in such a Proceeding by dismissal, with or without prejudice, shall be deemed to be a successful result as to such claim, issue or matter.
- 6. INDEMNIFICATION FOR EXPENSES OF A WITNESS. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, to the extent that Indemnitee is, by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, a witness or deponent in any Proceeding to which Indemnitee was or is not a party or threatened to be made a party, Indemnitee shall, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, be indemnified, held harmless and exonerated against all Expenses actually and reasonably incurred by Indemnitee or on Indemnitee's behalf in connection therewith.

## 7. CONTRIBUTION IN THE EVENT OF JOINT LIABILITY.

- (a) To the fullest extent permissible under applicable law, if the indemnification, hold harmless and/or exoneration rights provided for in this Agreement are unavailable to Indemnitee in whole or in part for any reason whatsoever, the Company, in lieu of indemnifying, holding harmless or exonerating Indemnitee, shall pay, in the first instance, the entire amount incurred by Indemnitee, whether for judgments, liabilities, Fines, penalties, amounts paid or to be paid in settlement and/or for Expenses, in connection with any Proceeding without requiring Indemnitee to contribute to such payment, and the Company hereby waives and relinquishes any right of contribution it may have at any time against Indemnitee.
- (b) The Company shall not enter into any settlement of any Proceeding in which the Company is jointly liable with Indemnitee (or would be if joined in such Proceeding) unless such settlement provides for a full and final release of all claims asserted against Indemnitee.
- (c) The Company hereby agrees to fully indemnify, hold harmless and exonerate Indemnitee from any claims for contribution which may be brought by officers, directors or employees of the Company other than Indemnitee who may be jointly liable with Indemnitee.

- 8. **EXCLUSIONS**. Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement, the Company shall not be obligated under this Agreement to make any indemnification, advance of Expenses, hold harmless or exoneration payment in connection with any claim made against Indemnitee:
- (a) for which payment has actually been received by or on behalf of Indemnitee under any insurance policy, contract, agreement or other indemnity or advancement provision or otherwise, except (i) with respect to any excess beyond the amount actually received under any insurance policy, contract, agreement, other indemnity or advancement provision or otherwise and (ii) as provided in Section 9 of this Agreement;
- (b) for an accounting of profits made from the purchase and sale (or sale and purchase) by Indemnitee of securities of the Company within the meaning of Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act (or any successor rule) or similar provisions of state statutory law or common law;
- (c) except as otherwise provided in Sections 14(f)-(g) of this Agreement, prior to a Change in Control, in connection with any Proceeding (or any part of any Proceeding) initiated by Indemnitee, including any Proceeding (or any part of any Proceeding) initiated by Indemnitee against the Company or its directors, officers, employees or other indemnitees, unless (i) the Board authorized the Proceeding (or any part of any Proceeding) prior to its initiation or (ii) the Company provides the indemnification, advance of Expenses, hold harmless or exoneration payment, in its sole discretion, pursuant to the powers vested in the Company under applicable law. Indemnitee shall seek payments or advances from the Company only to the extent that such payments or advances are unavailable from any insurance policy of the Company covering Indemnitee; or
- (d) on account of (i) any reimbursement of the Company by Indemnitee of any bonus or other incentive-based or equity-based compensation or of any profits realized by Indemnitee from the sale of securities of the Company, as required in each case under the Exchange Act (including any such reimbursements that arise from an accounting restatement of the Company pursuant to Section 304 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act"), or the payment to the Company of profits arising from the purchase and sale by Indemnitee of securities in violation of Section 306 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act), or (ii) any reimbursement of the Company by Indemnitee of any compensation pursuant to any compensation recoupment or clawback policy adopted by the Board or the compensation committee of the Board, including but not limited to, any such policy adopted to comply with stock exchange listing requirements implementing Section 10D of the Exchange Act (any such policy, a "Clawback Policy"). In furtherance of this Section 8(d), Indemnitee hereby agrees to abide by the terms of any Clawback Policy, including, without limitation, by returning any compensation to the Company to the extent required by, and in a manner permitted by, such Clawback Policy, and hereby understands and agrees that Indemnitee shall not be entitled to any (x) indemnification for any liability (including any amounts owed by Indemnitee in a judgment or settlement of any proceeding relating to such Clawback Policy (a "Clawback Proceeding") or loss (including judgments, fines, taxes, penalties or amounts paid in settlement by or on behalf of Indemnitee) incurred by Indemnitee in connection with any Clawback Proceeding; provided, however, if Indemnitee is uncessful on the merits in the defense of any claim asserted against Indemnitee in a Clawback Proceeding, Indemnitee shall be indemnified for the expenses (including attorneys' fees and expenses) Indemnitee reasonably incurred to defend such claim. Indemnitee in roon behalf of the Company or any of its s
- 9. INDEMNITOR OF FIRST RESORT. The Company hereby acknowledges that Indemnitee may have certain rights to indemnification, advancement of Expenses and/or insurance provided by one or more Persons with whom or which Indemnitee may be associated (collectively, the "Alternative Indemnitors"). The Company hereby agrees (i) that it is the indemnitor of first resort (i.e., its obligations to Indemnitee are primary and any obligation of the Alternative Indemnitors to advance Expenses or to provide indemnification for the same Expenses or liabilities incurred by Indemnitee are secondary), (ii) that it shall be required to advance the full amount of Expenses incurred by Indemnitee and shall be liable for the full amount of all Expenses, judgments, penalties, Fines and amounts paid in settlement to the extent legally permitted and as required by the terms of this Agreement and the Charter or Bylaws (or any other agreement between the Company and Indemnitee), without regard to any rights Indemnitee may have against the Alternative Indemnitors, and (iii) that it irrevocably waives, relinquishes and releases the Alternative Indemnitors from any and all claims against the Alternative Indemnitors on behalf of Indemnitee with respect to any claim for which Indemnitee has sought indemnification from the Company shall affect the foregoing, and the Alternative Indemnitors shall have a right of

contribution and/or be subrogated to the extent of such advancement or payment to all of the rights of recovery of Indemnitee against the Company. The Company and Indemnitee agree that the Alternative Indemnitors are express third party beneficiaries of the terms of this <u>Section 9</u>.

#### 10. ADVANCES OF EXPENSES; DEFENSE OF CLAIM

- (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, and to the fullest extent not prohibited by applicable law, the Company shall pay the Expenses incurred by Indemnitee (or reasonably expected by Indemnitee to be incurred by Indemnitee within three months) in connection with any Proceeding within ten (10) days after the receipt by the Company of a statement or statements requesting such advances from time to time, prior to the final disposition of any Proceeding. Advances shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be unsecured and interest free. Advances shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be made without regard to Indemnitee's ability to repay the Expenses and without regard to Indemnitee's ultimate entitlement to be indemnified, held harmless or exonerated under the other provisions of this Agreement. Advances shall include any and all reasonable Expenses incurred pursuing a Proceeding to enforce this right of advancement, including Expenses incurred preparing and forwarding statements to the Company to support the advances claimed. To the fullest extent required by applicable law, such payments of Expenses in advance of the final disposition of the Proceeding shall be made only upon the Company's receipt of an undertaking, by or on behalf of Indemnitee, to repay the advanced amounts to the extent that it is ultimately determined that Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified, held harmless or exonerated by the Company under the provisions of this Agreement, the Charter, the Bylaws, applicable law or otherwise. This Section 10(a) shall not apply to any claim made by Indemnitee for which an indemnification, advance of Expenses, hold harmless or exoneration payment is excluded pursuant to Section 8 of this Agreement.
- (b) The Company will be entitled to participate in the Proceeding at its own expense.
- (c) The Company shall not settle any action, claim or Proceeding (in whole or in part) which would impose any Expense, judgment, liability, Fine, penalty or limitation on Indemnitee without Indemnitee's prior written consent.

# 11. PROCEDURE FOR NOTIFICATION AND APPLICATION FOR INDEMNIFICATION

- (a) Indemnitee agrees to promptly notify the Company in writing upon being served with any summons, citation, subpoena, complaint, indictment, information or other document relating to any Proceeding, claim, issue or matter therein which may be subject to indemnification, hold harmless or exoneration rights, or advancement of Expenses covered hereunder. The failure of Indemnitee to so notify the Company shall not relieve the Company of any obligation which it may have to Indemnitee under this Agreement, or otherwise
- (b) Indemnitee may deliver to the Company a written application to indemnify, hold harmless or exonerate Indemnitee in accordance with this Agreement. Such application(s) may be delivered from time to time and at such time(s) as Indemnitee deems appropriate in Indemnitee's sole discretion. Following such a written application for indemnification by Indemnitee, Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification shall be determined according to Section 12(a) of this Agreement.

# 12. PROCEDURE UPON APPLICATION FOR INDEMNIFICATION.

- (a) A determination, if required by applicable law, with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification shall be made in the specific case by one of the following methods, which shall be at the election of Indemnitee: (i) by a majority vote of the Disinterested Directors, even though less than a quorum of the Board or (ii) if there are no Disinterested Directors or if the Disinterested Directors so direct, by Independent Counsel in a written opinion to the Board, a copy of which shall be delivered to Indemnitee. The Company will promptly advise Indemnitee in writing with respect to any determination that Indemnitee is on tentitled to indemnification, including a description of any reason or basis for which indemnification has been denied. If it is so determined that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, payment to Indemnitee shall be made within ten (10) days after such determination. Indemnitee shall reasonably cooperate with the person, persons or entity making such determination with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification, including providing to such person, persons or entity upon reasonable advance request any documentation or information which is not privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure and which is reasonably available to Indemnitee and reasonably necessary to such determination. Any costs or Expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements) incurred by Indemnitee in so cooperating with the person, persons or entity making such determination shall be borne by the Company (irrespective of the determination as to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification) and the Company hereby agrees to indemnify and to hold Indemnitee harmless therefrom.
- (b) In the event the determination of entitlement to indemnification is to be made by Independent Counsel pursuant to Section 12(a) of this Agreement, the Independent Counsel shall be selected as provided in this Section 12(b). The Independent Counsel shall be selected by Indemnitee (unless Indemnitee shall request that such selection be made

by the Board), and Indemnitee shall give written notice to the Company advising it of the identity of the Independent Counsel so selected and certifying that the Independent Counsel so selected meets the requirements of "Independent Counsel" as defined in Section 2 of this Agreement. If the Independent Counsel is selected by the Board, the Company shall give written notice to Indemnitee advising Indemnitee of the identity of the Independent Counsel so selected and certifying that the Independent Counsel's as defined in Section 2 of this Agreement. In either event, Indemnitee or the Company, as the case may be, may, within ten (10) days after such written notice of selection shall have been received, deliver to the Company or to Indemnitee, as the case may be, a written objection to such selection; provided, however, that such objection may be asserted only on the ground that the Independent Counsel so selected does not meet the requirements of "Independent Counsel" as defined in Section 2 of this Agreement, and the objection shall set forth with particularity the factual basis of such assertion. Absent a proper and timely objection, the person or law firm so selected shall act as Independent Counsel. If such written objection is so made and substantiated, the Independent Counsel so selected may not serve as Independent Counsel unless and until such objection is withdrawn or a court of competent jurisdiction has determined that such objection is without merit. If, within twenty (20) days after submission by Indemnitee of a written request for indemnification pursuant to Section 11(a) of this Agreement, no Independent Counsel shall have been selected and not objected to, either the Company or Indemnitee may petition the Delaware Court for resolution of any objection which shall have been made by the Company or Indemnitee to the other's selection of Independent Counsel and/or for the appointment as Independent Counsel of a person or law firm selected by the Delaware Court, and the person or law firm with respect t

(c) The Company agrees to pay the reasonable fees and expenses of Independent Counsel and to fully indemnify and hold harmless such Independent Counsel against any and all Expenses, claims, liabilities and damages arising out of or relating to this Agreement or such Independent Counsel's engagement pursuant hereto.

# 13. PRESUMPTIONS AND EFFECT OF CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS

- (a) In making a determination with respect to entitlement to indemnification hereunder, the person, persons or entity making such determination shall presume that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification under this Agreement if Indemnitee has submitted a request for indemnification in accordance with Section 11(b) of this Agreement, and the Company shall have the burden of proof to overcome that presumption in connection with the making by any person, persons or entity of any determination contrary to that presumption. Neither the failure of the Company (including by the Disinterested Directors or Independent Counsel) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of any action pursuant to this Agreement that indemnification is proper in the circumstances because Indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct, nor an actual determination by the Company (including by the Disinterested Directors or Independent Counsel) that Indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that Indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct.
- (b) If the person, persons or entity empowered or selected under Section 12 of this Agreement to determine whether Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification shall not have made a determination within thirty (30) days after receipt by the Company of the request therefor, the requisite determination of entitlement to indemnification shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be deemed to have been made and Indemnitee shall be entitled to such indemnification, absent (i) a misstatement by Indemnitee of a material fact, or an omission of a material fact necessary to make Indemnitee's statement not materially misleading, in connection with the request for indemnification, or (ii) a final judicial determination that any or all such indemnification is expressly prohibited under applicable law; provided, however, that such 30-day period may be extended for a reasonable time, not to exceed an additional fifteen (15) days, if the person, persons or entity making the determination with respect to entitlement to indemnification in good faith requires such additional time for the obtaining or evaluating of documentation and/or information relating thereto.
- (c) The termination of any Proceeding or of any claim, issue or matter therein, by judgment, order, settlement or conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, shall not (except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement) of itself adversely affect the right of Indemnitee to indemnification or create a presumption that Indemnitee did not act in good faith and in a manner which Indemnitee reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Company or, with respect to any criminal Proceeding, that Indemnitee had reasonable cause to believe that Indemnitee's conduct was unlawful.
- (d) For purposes of any determination of good faith, Indemnitee shall be deemed to have acted in good faith if Indemnitee's action is based on the records or books of account of the Enterprise, including financial statements, or on information supplied to Indemnitee by the directors, managers, or officers of the Enterprise in the course of their

duties, or on the advice of legal counsel for the Enterprise, the Board, any committee of the Board or any director, trustee, general partner, manager or managing member of the Enterprise, or on information or records given or reports made to the Enterprise, the Board, any committee of the Board or any director, trustee, general partner, manager or managing member of the Enterprise, by an independent certified public accountant or by an appraiser or other expert selected by the Enterprise, the Board, any committee of the Board or any director, trustee, general partner, manager or managing member of the Enterprise. The provisions of this Section 13(d) shall not be deemed to be exclusive or to limit in any way the other circumstances in which Indemnitee may be deemed or found to have met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in this Agreement.

(e) The knowledge and/or actions, or failure to act, of any other director, officer, trustee, partner, manager, managing member, fiduciary, agent or employee of the Enterprise shall not be imputed to Indemnitee for purposes of determining the right to indemnification under this Agreement.

## 14. REMEDIES OF INDEMNITEE.

- (a) In the event that (i) a determination is made pursuant to Section 12 of this Agreement that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification under this Agreement, (ii) advancement of Expenses is not timely made pursuant to Section 10 of this Agreement, (iii) no determination of entitlement to indemnification shall have been made pursuant to Section 12(a) of this Agreement within thirty (30) days after receipt by the Company of the request for indemnification, (iv) payment of indemnification is not made pursuant to Section 5, 6 or the last sentence of Section 12(a) of this Agreement within ten (10) days after receipt by the Company of a written request therefor, (v) a contribution payment is not made in a timely manner pursuant to Section 7 of this Agreement, (vi) payment of indemnification pursuant to Section 3 or 4 of this Agreement is not made within ten (10) days after a determination has been made that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, or (vii) payment to Indemnitee pursuant to any hold harmless or exoneration rights under this Agreement or otherwise is not made in accordance with this Agreement, Indemnitee shall be entitled to an adjudication by the Delaware Court to such indemnification, hold harmless, exoneration, contribution or advancement rights. Alternatively, Indemnitee, at Indemnitee's option, may seek an award in arbitration to be conducted by a single arbitrator pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association. Except as set forth herein, the provisions of Delaware law (without regard to its conflict of laws rules) shall apply to any such arbitration. The Company shall not oppose Indemnitee's right to seek any such adjudication or award in arbitration.
- (b) In the event that a determination shall have been made pursuant to <u>Section 12(a)</u> of this Agreement that Indemnitee is not entitled to indemnification, any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this <u>Section 14</u> shall be conducted in all respects as a de novo trial, or arbitration, on the merits, and Indemnitee shall not be prejudiced by reason of that adverse determination
- (c) In any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 14, Indemnitee shall be presumed to be entitled to be indemnified, held harmless, exonerated and to receive advancement of Expenses under this Agreement, and the Company shall have the burden of proving Indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified, held harmless, exonerated and to receive advancement of Expenses, as the case may be, and the Company may not refer to or introduce into evidence any determination pursuant to Section 12(a) of this Agreement adverse to Indemnitee for any purpose. If Indemnitee commences a judicial proceeding or arbitration pursuant to this Section 14. Indemnitee shall not be required to reimburse the Company for any advances pursuant to Section 10 of this Agreement until a final determination is made with respect to Indemnitee's entitlement to indemnification (as to which all rights of appeal have been exhausted or lapsed).
- (d) If a determination shall have been made pursuant to Section 12(a) of this Agreement that Indemnitee is entitled to indemnification, the Company shall be bound by such determination in any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 14, absent (i) a misstatement by Indemnitee of a material fact, or an omission of a material fact necessary to make Indemnitee's statement not materially misleading, in connection with the request for indemnification, or (ii) a prohibition of such indemnification under applicable law.
- (e) The Company shall be precluded from asserting in any judicial proceeding or arbitration commenced pursuant to this Section 14 that the procedures and presumptions of this Agreement are not valid, binding and enforceable and shall stipulate in any such court or before any such arbitrator that the Company is bound by all the provisions of this Agreement.
- (f) The Company shall indemnify and hold harmless Indemnitee to the fullest extent permitted by law against all Expenses and, if requested by Indemnitee, shall (within ten (10) days after the Company's receipt of such written request) pay to Indemnitee, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, such Expenses which are incurred by Indemnitee in connection with any judicial proceeding or arbitration brought by Indemnitee: (i) to enforce Indemnitee's rights under, or to recover damages for breach of, this Agreement or any other indemnification, hold harmless, exoneration, advancement or contribution agreement or provision of the Charter or the Bylaws now or

hereafter in effect; or (ii) for recovery or advances under any insurance policy maintained by any person for the benefit of Indemnitee, regardless of the outcome and whether Indemnitee ultimately is determined to be entitled to such indemnification, hold harmless or exoneration right, advancement, contribution or insurance recovery, as the case may be (unless such judicial proceeding or arbitration was not brought by Indemnitee in good faith).

- (g) Interest shall be paid by the Company to Indemnitee at the legal rate under Delaware law for amounts which the Company indemnifies, holds harmless or exonerates, or advances, or is obliged to indemnify, hold harmless or exonerate or advance for the period commencing with the date on which Indemnitee requests indemnification, to be held harmless, exonerated, contribution, reimbursement or advancement of any Expenses and ending with the date on which such payment is made to Indemnitee by the Company.
- 15. <u>SECURITY</u>. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, to the extent requested by Indemnitee and approved by the Board, the Company may at any time and from time to time provide security to Indemnitee for the Company's obligations hereunder through an irrevocable bank line of credit, funded trust or other collateral. Any such security, once provided to Indemnitee, may not be revoked or released without the prior written consent of Indemnitee.

## 16. NON-EXCLUSIVITY; SURVIVAL OF RIGHTS; INSURANCE; SUBROGATION

- (a) The rights of Indemnitee as provided by this Agreement shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which Indemnitee may at any time be entitled under applicable law, the Charter, the Bylaws, any agreement, a vote of stockholders or a resolution of directors, or otherwise. No amendment, alteration or repeal of this Agreement or of any provision hereof shall limit or restrict any right of Indemnitee under this Agreement in respect of any Proceeding (regardless of when such Proceeding is first threatened, commenced or completed) or claim, issue or matter therein arising out of, or related to, any action taken or omitted by such Indemnitee in Indemnitee's Corporate Status prior to such amendment, alteration or repeal. To the extent that a change in applicable law, whether by statute or judicial decision, permits greater indemnification, hold harmless or exoneration rights or advancement of Expenses than would be afforded currently under the Charter, the Bylaws or this Agreement, it is the intent of the parties hereto that Indemnitee shall enjoy by this Agreement the greater benefits so afforded by such change. No right or remedy herein conferred is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every other right and remedy shall be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other right or remedy.
- (b) The DGCL, the Charter and the Bylaws permit the Company to purchase and maintain insurance or furnish similar protection or make other arrangements including, but not limited to, providing a trust fund, letter of credit, or surety bond ("Indemnification Arrangements") on behalf of Indemnitee against any liability asserted against Indemnitee or incurred by or on behalf of Indemnitee or in such capacity as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Company, or arising out of Indemnitee's status as such, whether or not the Company would have the power to indemnify Indemnitee against such liability under the provisions of this Agreement or under the DGCL, as it may then be in effect. The purchase, establishment and maintenance of any such Indemnification Arrangement shall not in any way limit or affect the rights and obligations of the Company or of Indemnitee under this Agreement except as expressly provided herein, and the execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Company and Indemnitee shall not in any way limit or affect the rights and obligations of the Company or the other party or parties thereto under any such Indemnification Arrangement.
- (c) To the extent that the Company maintains an insurance policy or policies providing liability insurance for directors, officers, trustees, partners, managers, managing members, fiduciaries, employees or agents of the Company or of any other Enterprise which such person is or was Serving at the Request of the Company, Indemnitee shall be covered by such policy or policies in accordance with its or their terms to the maximum extent of the coverage available for any such director, officer, trustee, partner, manager, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent under such policy or policies. If, at the time the Company receives notice from any source of a Proceeding as to which Indemnitee is a party or a participant (as a witness, deponent or otherwise), the Company has director and officer liability insurance in effect, the Company shall give prompt notice of such Proceeding to the insurers in accordance with the procedures set forth in the respective policies. The Company shall thereafter take all necessary or desirable action to cause such insurers to pay, on behalf of Indemnitee, all amounts payable as a result of such Proceeding in accordance with the terms of such policies.
- (d) In the event of any payment under this Agreement, the Company, to the fullest extent permitted by law, shall be subrogated to the extent of such payment to all of the rights of recovery of Indemnitee, who shall execute all papers required and take all action necessary to secure such rights, including execution of such documents as are necessary to enable the Company to bring suit to enforce such rights.

- (e) The Company's obligation to indemnify, hold harmless, exonerate or advance Expenses hereunder to Indemnitee who is or was Serving at the Request of the Company as a director, officer, trustee, partner, manager, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent of any other Enterprise shall be reduced by any amount Indemnitee has actually received as indemnification, hold harmless or exoneration payments or advancement of Expenses from such Enterprise. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, (i) Indemnitee shall have no obligation to reduce, offset, allocate, pursue or apportion any indemnification, hold harmless, exoneration, advancement, contribution or insurance coverage among multiple parties possessing such duties to Indemnitee prior to the Company's satisfaction and performance of all its obligations under this Agreement, and (ii) the Company shall perform fully its obligations under this Agreement without regard to whether Indemnitee holds, may pursue or has pursued any indemnification, advancement, hold harmless, exoneration, contribution or insurance coverage rights against any person or entity other than the Company.
- 17. **DURATION OF AGREEMENT**. All agreements and obligations of the Company contained herein shall continue during the period Indemnitee serves as a director or officer of the Company or as a director, officer, trustee, partner, manager, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other Enterprise which Indemnitee is Serving at the Request of the Company and shall continue thereafter so long as Indemnitee shall be subject to any possible Proceeding (including any rights of appeal thereto and any Proceeding commenced by Indemnitee pursuant to Section 14 of this Agreement) by reason of Indemnitee's Corporate Status, whether or not Indemnitee is acting in any such capacity at the time any liability or Expense is incurred for which indemnification or advancement can be provided under this Agreement.
- 18. SEVERABILITY. If any provision or provisions of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever: (a) the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement (including, without limitation, each portion of any Section, paragraph or sentence of this Agreement containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that is not itself invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and shall remain enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law; (b) such provision or provisions shall be deemed reformed to the extent necessary to conform to applicable law and to give the maximum effect to the intent of the parties hereto; and (c) to the fullest extent possible, the provisions of this Agreement (including, without limitation, each portion of any Section, paragraph or sentence of this Agreement containing any such provision held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that is not itself invalid, illegal or unenforceable) shall be construed so as to give effect to the intent manifested thereby.

## 19. ENFORCEMENT AND BINDING EFFECT.

- (a) The Company expressly confirms and agrees that it has entered into this Agreement and assumed the obligations imposed on it hereby in order to induce Indemnitee to serve as a director or officer of the Company, and the Company acknowledges that Indemnitee is relying upon this Agreement in serving as a director or officer of the Company.
- (b) Without limiting any of the rights of Indemnitee under the Charter or the Bylaws as they may be amended from time to time, this Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, oral, written and implied, between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof.
- (c) The indemnification, hold harmless, exoneration and advancement of Expenses rights provided by or granted pursuant to this Agreement shall be binding upon and be enforceable by the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns (including any direct or indirect successor by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise to all or substantially all of the business and/or assets of the Company), shall continue as to an Indemnitee who has ceased to be a director, officer employee or agent of the Company or a director, officer, trustee, general partner, manager, managing member, fiduciary, employee or agent of any other Enterprise at the Company's request, and shall inure to the benefit of Indemnitee and Indemnitee's spouse, assigns, heirs, devisees, executors and administrators and other legal representatives.
- (d) The Company shall require and cause any successor (whether direct or indirect by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise) to all, substantially all or a substantial part of the business and/or assets of the Company, by written agreement in form and substance satisfactory to Indemnitee, expressly to assume and agree to perform this Agreement in the same manner and to the same extent that the Company would be required to perform if no such succession had taken place.
- (e) The Company and Indemnitee agree herein that a monetary remedy for breach of this Agreement, at some later date, may be inadequate, impracticable and difficult to prove, and further agree that such breach may cause Indemnitee irreparable harm. Accordingly, the parties hereto agree that Indemnitee may, to the fullest extent permitted by law, enforce this Agreement by seeking, among other things, injunctive relief and/or specific performance hereof, without any necessity of showing actual damage or irreparable harm and that by seeking

injunctive relief and/or specific performance, Indemnitee shall not be precluded from seeking or obtaining any other relief to which Indemnitee may be entitled. The Company and Indemnitee further agree that Indemnitee shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be entitled to such specific performance and injunctive relief, including temporary restraining orders, preliminary injunctions and permanent injunctions, without the necessity of posting bonds or other undertaking in connection therewith. The Company acknowledges that in the absence of a waiver, a bond or undertaking may be required of Indemnitee by a court of competent jurisdiction. The Company hereby waives any such requirement of such a bond or undertaking to the fullest extent permitted by law.

- 20. <u>MODIFICATION AND WAIVER</u>. No supplement, modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in writing by the Company and Indemnitee. No waiver of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed or shall constitute a waiver of any other provisions of this Agreement nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver.
- 21. <u>NOTICES</u>. All notices, requests, demands and other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given (a) if delivered by hand and receipted for by the party to whom said notice or other communication shall have been directed, or (b) mailed by certified or registered mail with postage prepaid, on the third (3rd) business day after the date on which it is so mailed:
  - (i) If to Indemnitee, at the address indicated on the signature page of this Agreement, or such other address as Indemnitee shall provide in writing to the Company.
  - (ii) If to the Company, to:

Blade Air Mobility, Inc.

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or to any other address as may have been furnished to Indemnitee in writing by the Company.

- 22. APPLICABLE LAW AND CONSENT TO JURISDICTION. This Agreement and the legal relations among the parties shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to its conflict of laws rules. Except with respect to any arbitration commenced by Indemnitee pursuant to Section 14(a) of this Agreement, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Company and Indemnitee hereby irrevocably and unconditionally: (a) agree that any action or proceeding arising out of or in connection with this Agreement shall be brought only in the Delaware Court and not in any other state or federal court in the United States of America or any court in any other country; (b) consent to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Delaware Court for purposes of any action or proceeding arising out of or in connection with this Agreement; (c) waive any objection to the laying of venue of any such action or proceeding in the Delaware Court; and (d) waive, and agree not to plead or to make, any claim that any such action or proceeding brought in the Delaware Court has been brought in an improper or inconvenient forum, or is subject (in whole or in part) to a jury trial. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the parties hereby agree that the mailing of process and other papers in connection with any such action or proceeding in the manner provided by Section 21 of this Agreement or in such other manner as may be permitted by law, shall be valid and sufficient service thereof.
- 23. **IDENTICAL COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts (including by electronic delivery of a counterpart in pdf format), each of which shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same Agreement. Only one such counterpart signed by the party against whom enforceability is sought needs to be produced to evidence the existence of this Agreement.
- 24. <u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>. Use of the masculine pronoun shall be deemed to include usage of the feminine pronoun where appropriate and vice versa. The headings of the paragraphs of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not be deemed to constitute part of this Agreement or to affect the construction thereof.
- 25. <u>PERIOD OF LIMITATIONS</u>. No legal action shall be brought and no cause of action shall be asserted by or in the right of the Company against Indemnitee, Indemnitee's spouse, heirs, executors or personal or legal representatives after the expiration of two years from the date of accrual of such cause of action, and any claim or cause of action of the Company shall be extinguished and deemed released unless asserted by the timely filing of a legal action within such two-year period; provided, however, that if any shorter period of limitations is otherwise applicable to any such cause of action such shorter period shall govern.
- 26. <u>ADDITIONAL ACTS</u>. If for the validation of any of the provisions in this Agreement any act, resolution, approval or other procedure is required to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Company undertakes to cause such act, resolution, approval or other procedure to be affected or adopted in a manner that will enable the Company to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Indemnification Agreement to be signed as of the day and year first above written.

BLADE AIR MOB	ILITY INC.		
Ву:			
Name:			
Title:			
INDEMNITEE			
By:			
Name:			
Address:			

SIGNATURE PAGE TO INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

# BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC. 2021 OMNIBUS INCENTIVE PLAN PERFORMANCE-BASED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT

**BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC.**, a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), hereby grants to the Participant named below an award (the "<u>Award</u>") of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units ("<u>PSUs</u>"), payable in shares of the Company's Common Stock (the "<u>Shares</u>"). The terms and conditions of the Award are set forth in this Award Agreement (the "<u>Agreement</u>") and the Blade Air Mobility, Inc. 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan, which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> (as amended and in effect from time to time, the "<u>Plan</u>").

Date of Grant	[DATE]	Participant's Name [NAME]					
Number of PSUs Performance Period	[X] The period commencing on the first day of the Company's 2024 fiscal year and ending on the last day of the Company's 2027 fiscal year will be referred to as the "Performance Period".						
Vesting of PSUs	Subject to the (i) terms of the Plan, (ii) the forfeiture, cancellation, and rescission provisions of this Agreement and (iii) Participant complying with all Company policies, the Confidential Information, Invention Assignment and Arbitration Agreement by and between the Participant and the Company and all other agreements with the Company, the PSUs become vested only if and to the extent the specified performance criteria established by the Committee for the Performance Period are achieved (as further described in Appendix A of this Agreement and subject to the terms and conditions set forth therein). Except as is otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, the vesting of PSUs is subject to the Participant's continued employment with the Company and its Subsidiaries on the applicable Determination Date (as defined in Appendix A to this Agreement). Each applicable Determination Date and any earlier date on which vesting may occur under this Agreement is hereafter referred to as a "Vesting Date".						
	Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or this Agreement, any portion of this Award that is not vested on the date of Participant's Termination shall be forfeited. Unless the Company or Committee provides otherwise in writing, the Participant shall not receive vesting credit for any period after the Participant provides notice of resignation.						
Payment Date		each PSU that vests in accordance with this Agreement and the Plan, the Participant will eive one Share in the calendar year in which the applicable Vesting Date occurs.					
The provisions of the Plan as set forth in the Plan. Except the terms of the Plan shall co	as otherwise exp	rein by reference. All capitalized terms that are not defined in this Agreement have the meanings ressly provided in this Agreement, in case of any conflict between this Agreement and the Plan,					
Please (i) review the rest of t	this Agreement, th	e Plan document, and (ii) execute this Agreement.					
By executing this Agreemen Award" and "Cancellation as	nt, you agree to be nd Rescission").	bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement (including the terms under "Forfeiture of					
BLADE AIR MOBILITY,	INC.	PARTICIPANT					
Name:	Name:						
	Date:						

#### BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC. 2021 OMNIBUS INCENTIVE PLAN PERFORMANCE-BASED RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT AWARD AGREEMENT

The following additional terms and conditions supplement the terms of the Plan and govern this Award of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units:

**Amount of PSU Payment** 

The vested PSUs shall be settled in Shares at the time set forth in the cover page, with each vested PSU (before withholding) equal to one Share.

# Tax Withholding

The Award is subject to withholding for taxes at the time and in the amount determined by the Company and/or Service Recipient. Regardless of the amount withheld or reported, the Participant acknowledges that the Participant is responsible for all taxes in respect of the Award (other than the employer's share of employment taxes) and such taxes may exceed the amount withheld, if any. None of the Company, the Service Recipient, or any of their Affiliates or Subsidiaries: (a) make any representations or undertakings regarding taxes in respect of the Award, including the grant of the Award, the vesting or settlement of the Award, the subsequent sale of any Shares acquired pursuant to the Award and the receipt of any dividends or dividend equivalents; or (b) commit to structure the terms of the grant or any aspect of the Award to reduce or eliminate the Participant's liability for taxes.

The number of Shares delivered upon settlement will be reduced to cover withholding. The reduction will be based on the fair market value of the Shares when withholding is due.

If the Participant relocates to another jurisdiction, the Participant is responsible for notifying the Company of such relocation and is responsible for compliance with all applicable tax requirements. If the Participant is subject to taxation in more than one jurisdiction, the Participant acknowledges that the Company or the Service Recipient may be required to withhold or account for Tax-Related Items in more than one jurisdiction. By accepting this Award, the Participant expressly consents to withholding in multiple jurisdictions, in the amounts and in the manner as the Company determines to be required by Applicable Law and the Plan.

#### **Effect of Termination**

If, prior to the end of the Performance Period, and subject to clause (ii) below under the heading "Change in Control", the Participant's employment with the Company and its Subsidiaries is terminated:

- (i) for any reason other than due to the Participant's death or Disability, all then unvested PSUs shall be forfeited by the Participant to the Company without consideration as of the date of such termination of employment, and this Agreement shall terminate without payment in respect thereof; provided, that, if the Participant's employment with the Company and its Subsidiaries is terminated after the end of a period in which a Performance Target is achieved but before the Determination Date for such Performance Target for any reason other than by the Company for Cause or voluntarily by the Participant without Good Reason, the PSUs that are eligible to vest for such Performance Target shall remain outstanding following such termination of employment and shall vest or be forfeited on the Determination Date based on the extent to which the performance criteria applicable to such Performance Target are achieved; or
- (ii) due to the Participant's death or Disability, all then unvested PSUs shall be forfeited by the Participant to the Company without consideration as of the date of such termination of employment, and this Agreement shall terminate without payment in respect thereof; provided, that, the PSUs that are eligible to vest for the fiscal quarter that is in effect on the date of such termination and any prior period in which a Performance Target is achieved with respect to which the Determination Date has not occurred as of the date of such termination shall remain outstanding following such termination of employment and shall vest or be forfeited on the applicable Determination Date based on the extent to which the performance criteria applicable to such Performance Target are achieved.

#### **Change in Control**

If a Change in Control occurs during the Performance Period:

- (i) and the PSUs are not assumed, continued, or restricted securities of equivalent value are not substituted for the PSUs by the Company or its successor in accordance with Section 10 of the Plan and the Participant is employed with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries on the effective date of the Change in Control, then on the effective date of the Change in Control the Participant shall become vested in one hundred percent (100%) of the then unvested PSUs;
- (ii) and the PSUs are assumed, continued or substituted by the Company or its successor in accordance with Section 10 of the Plan and the Participant's employment by the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (or any successors thereto) is involuntarily terminated by the Company and its Subsidiaries without Cause, terminated by the Participant for Good Reason, or terminates due to the Participant's death or Permanent Disability, then the Participant shall become vested in one hundred percent (100%) of the then unvested PSUs upon the date of such termination of employment.

"Good Reason" shall mean the Participant's resignation within thirty (30) days following the expiration of any Service Recipient cure period (discussed below) following the occurrence of one or more of the following, without the Participant's express written consent: (i) a material reduction of the Participant's duties, or responsibilities, provided, that a change in job position (including a change in title) shall not be deemed a "material reduction" in and of itself unless the Participant's new duties are materially reduced from the Participant's prior duties; (ii) a material reduction in the Participant's base salary (for clarity, a reduction by ten percent (10%) or more will be considered a material reduction); provided, that an across the board base salary reduction to all senior executives of the Company will not be grounds for Good Reason; or (iii) a material change in the geographic location of the Participant's primary work facility or location; provided, that a relocation of less than thirty (30) miles from the Participant's then present location will not be considered a material change in geographic location. The Participant will not resign for Good Reason without first providing the Service Recipient with written notice of the acts or omissions constituting the grounds for Good Reason within ninety (90) days of the initial existence of the grounds for Good Reason and a cure period of not less than thirty (30) days following the date of such notice.

# **Dividend Equivalents**

The Participant shall be entitled to accrue dividend equivalents with respect to the Shares underlying the PSUs. For each Share, the Participant shall accrue a right to receive cash or share dividends for which the record date is after the Date of Grant and before the Award is settled. Such amounts shall be subject to the same forfeiture and vesting conditions as the underlying Shares, and shall be paid (if at all) at the same time as the PSUs are settled, applying the same vesting percentage as applies for the Shares.

# Cancellation and Rescission for Detrimental Activity

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan or this Agreement, the Participant acknowledges and agrees that the Company may cancel, rescind, suspend, withhold, modify, amend or otherwise limit or restrict this Award (whether vested or not vested) at any time if the Participant is not in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Agreement and the Plan, or if the Participant engages in any Detrimental Activity (as the term is defined in the Plan). The Participant further acknowledges and agrees that, if the Participant engages in Detrimental Activity, as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion, whether during the Participant's employment or service with the Service Recipient or following Termination, the Committee may, in its sole discretion and to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, provide for the cancellation of any or all of the Participant's outstanding Awards and/or forfeiture by the Participant of any gains realized on the vesting or settlement of the Award, and repayment of any such gain promptly to the Company.

The Participant agrees that the cancellation, rescission and recoupment provisions of this Agreement are reasonable and agrees not to challenge the reasonableness of such provisions, even where forfeiture of this Agreement and/or recoupment of any gain hereunder is the penalty for violation; provided that the Participant may challenge the reasonableness of any forfeiture and/or recoupment that occurs after a Change in Control.

#### **No Employment Rights**

The grant of the Award shall not be interpreted to form an employment contract between the Participant and the Company and/or the Service Recipient.

# Discretionary Nature of Award

The Participant acknowledges and agrees that the Plan is discretionary in nature and may be amended, canceled or terminated by the Company, in its sole discretion, at any time. The grant of this Award under the Plan is a one-time benefit and does not create any contractual or other right to receive a grant of PSUs or any other forms of Awards permitted under the Plan or other benefits in lieu thereof in the future. Future grants, if any (and the terms thereof), will be at the sole discretion of the Company. Any amendment, modification or termination of the Plan shall not constitute a change or impairment of the terms and conditions of the Participant's employment or service with the Service Recipient.

# **Extraordinary Benefit**

The Participant's participation in the Plan is voluntary. The value of this Award and any other Awards granted under the Plan is an extraordinary item of compensation outside the scope of the Participant's employment (and the Participant's employment contract, if any). Any grant under the Plan, including the grant of the Award, is not part of the Participant's normal or expected compensation for purposes of calculating any severance, resignation, redundancy, end of service payments, bonuses, long-service awards, holiday pay, pension, or retirement benefits or similar payments.

#### Value of Benefit

The future value of the Award is unknown and cannot be predicted with certainty. The Company shall not be liable for any foreign exchange rate fluctuation, where applicable, between the Participant's local currency and the United States dollar or any other event that may affect the value of the Award or of any amounts due to the Participant pursuant to the settlement of the Award or the subsequent sale of any Shares acquired upon settlement.

# **No Public Offering**

The grant of this Award is not intended to be a public offering of securities. No employee of the Company or its Subsidiaries or Affiliates is permitted to advise the Participant on whether the Participant should acquire Shares under the Plan and provide the Participant with any legal, tax or financial advice with respect to the grant of this Award. The acquisition of Shares involves certain risks, and the Participant should carefully consider all risk factors and tax considerations relevant to the acquisition and disposition of Shares under the Plan. Further, the Participant should carefully review all of the materials related to this Award and the Plan, and the Participant should consult with the Participant's personal legal, tax and financial advisers for professional advice in relation to the Participant's personal circumstances.

# **Insider Trading Laws**

By participating in the Plan, the Participant expressly agrees to comply with the Company's insider trading policies and all Applicable Laws related to insider trading and fair dealing. Any restriction under Applicable Law is separate from and in addition to the restrictions imposed under Company policies. The Participant expressly acknowledges and agrees that it is the Participant's responsibility to comply with any applicable restrictions, and the Participant should consult the Participant's personal adviser for additional information on any trading restrictions that may apply to the Participant.

# Recoupment

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Participant acknowledges and agrees that this Award, any Shares acquired pursuant thereto and/or any amount received with respect to any sale of such Shares are subject to potential cancellation, recoupment, rescission, payback or other action in accordance with the terms of any recoupment policy that the Company, the Service Recipient, or any of their Subsidiaries or Affiliates may establish or adopt ("Recoupment Policy"), in each case as in effect and amended from time to time. The Participant agrees and consents to the Company's application, implementation and enforcement of (a) the Recoupment Policy, and (b) any provision of Applicable Law relating to cancellation, recoupment, rescission or payback of compensation and expressly agrees that the Company may take such actions as are necessary to effectuate the Recoupment Policy (as applicable to the Participant) or Applicable Law without further consent or action being required by the Participant. For purposes of the foregoing, the Participant expressly and explicitly authorizes the Company to issue instructions, on the Participant's behalf, to any brokerage firm and/or third party administrator engaged by the Company to hold the Participant's Shares and other amounts acquired under the Plan to re-convey, transfer or otherwise return such Shares and/or other amounts to the Company. To the extent that the terms of this Agreement and the Recoupment Policy conflict, the terms of the Recoupment Policy shall prevail. The provisions of this paragraph are in addition to, and not in lieu of, any provisions of this Agreement and/or the Plan relating to forfeiture and recoupment resulting from the Participant engaging in Detrimental Activity.

#### **Electronic Delivery**

The Company may, in its sole discretion, decide to deliver any documents related to the Award or other awards granted to the Participant under the Plan by electronic means. The Participant hereby consents to receive such documents by electronic delivery and agrees to participate in the Plan through an on-line or electronic system established and maintained by the Company or a third party designated by the Company.

# **Data Privacy**

The Company is located at New York, New York, United States of America and grants Awards under the Plan to employees of the Company and its Subsidiaries and Affiliates in its sole discretion. In conjunction with the Company's grant of the Awards under the Plan and its ongoing administration of such Awards, the Company is providing the following information about its data collection, processing and transfer practices. In accepting the grant of this Award, the Participant expressly and explicitly consents to the personal data activities as described herein.

- (a) Data Collection, Processing and Usage. The Company collects, processes and uses the Participant's personal data, including the Participant's name, home address, email address, telephone number, date of birth, social insurance number or other identification number, salary, citizenship, job title, any Shares or directorships held in the Company, and details of all Awards or any other equity compensation awards granted, canceled, exercised, vested, or outstanding in the Participant's favor, which the Company receives from the Participant or the Service Recipient. In granting the Awards under the Plan, the Company will collect the Participant's personal data for purposes of allocating Shares in settlement of the Awards and implementing, administering and managing the Plan. The Company's legal basis for the collection, processing and usage of the Participant's personal data is the Participant's consent.
- (b) Stock Plan Administration Service Provider. The Company may transfer the Participant's personal data to an independent service provider in the United States of America to assist the Company with the implementation, administration and management of the Plan (the "Stock Plan Administrator"). The Stock Plan Administrator will open an account for the Participant to receive and trade Shares acquired under the Plan. The Participant will be asked to agree on separate terms and data processing practices with the Stock Plan Administrator, which is a condition to the Participant's ability to participate in the Plan.
- (c) Voluntariness and Consequences of Consent Denial or Withdrawal. The Participant's participation in the Plan and the Participant's grant of consent is purely voluntary. The Participant may deny or withdraw the Participant's consent at any time. If the Participant does not consent, or if the Participant later withdraws the Participant's consent, the Participant may be unable to participate in the Plan. This would not affect the Participant's existing employment or salary; instead, the Participant merely may forfeit the opportunities associated with the Plan.

# **Successors and Assigns**

The Company may assign any of its rights under this Agreement. This Agreement will be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Company. Subject to the restrictions on transfer set forth herein, this Agreement will be binding upon the Participant and the Participant's beneficiaries, executors and administrators.

# **Additional Requirements**

The Company reserves the right to impose other requirements on the Award, any Shares acquired pursuant to the Award and the Participant's participation in the Plan to the extent the Company determines, in its sole discretion, that such other requirements are necessary or advisable in order to comply with local law or to facilitate the operation and administration of the Award and the Plan. Such requirements may include (but are not limited to) requiring the Participant to sign any agreements or undertakings that may be necessary to accomplish the foregoing.

#### Severability

The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of the Plan or this Agreement will not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of the Plan or this Agreement, and each provision of the Plan and this Agreement will be severable and enforceable to the extent permitted by law.

# Interpretation and Construction

This Agreement and the Plan shall be construed and interpreted by the Committee, in its sole discretion. Any interpretation or other determination by the Committee (including, but not limited to, correction of any defect or omission and reconciliation of any inconsistency in the Agreement or the Plan) shall be binding and conclusive.

All determinations regarding enforcement, waiver or modification of the cancellation and rescission and other provisions of this Agreement (including the provisions relating to Termination) shall be made in the Committee's sole discretion. Determinations made under this Agreement and the Plan need not be uniform and may be made selectively among individuals, whether or not such individuals are similarly situated.

#### Section 409A of the Code

Although the Company does not guarantee the particular tax treatment of the PSUs granted under this Agreement, the grant of PSUs under this Agreement is intended to comply with, or be exempt from, the applicable requirements of Section 409A of the Code and this Agreement shall be limited, construed and interpreted in accordance with such intent. In no event whatsoever shall the Company or any of its affiliates be liable for any additional tax, interest or penalties that may be imposed on the Participant by Section 409A of the Code or any damages for failing to comply with Section 409A of the Code. To the extent any payment made under this Agreement constitutes "non-qualified deferred compensation" pursuant to Section 409A of the Code, the provisions of Section 12(t) of the Plan shall apply.

# **Entire Understanding**

This Agreement and the terms of the Plan constitute the entire understanding between the Participant and the Company and its Subsidiaries and Affiliates regarding this Award. Any prior agreements, commitments, or negotiations concerning this Award are superseded.

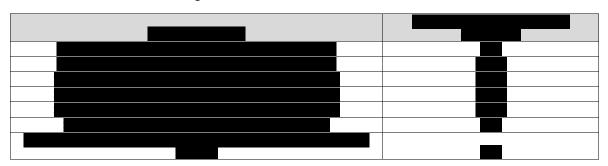
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Participant's Acknowledgement By accepting the grant of the Award, the Participant acknowledges that the Participant has read this Agreement and the Plan and the Participant specifically accepts and agrees to the provisions therein.

# **APPENDIX A**

# PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

- 1. Number of PSUs Eligible to Vest for each Performance Target . The applicable percentage of the PSUs subject to the Agreement that are eligible to vest with respect to the achievement of each Performance Target are set forth below. Any PSUs eligible to vest with respect to a Performance Target that are determined to have not vested because the applicable level of performance was not achieved shall be automatically forfeited upon the determination of the Committee following the Performance Period without the payment of any consideration to the Participant.
- 2. *Performance Targets*. The specified performance criteria set forth in the table below, as interpreted in accordance with this Appendix A, will be referred to as the "Performance Targets".





The Committee reserves the right to adjust the established Performance Targets for the impact of unusual and nonrecurring significant events, including, but not limited to new business investment, business continuity disruptions, restructuring initiatives, mergers and acquisitions, financing, litigation, regulatory matters, accounting changes and currency or interest rate fluctuation in its discretion in a manner as reasonably determined by the Committee to preserve the original economic intent of the Performance Targets without diluting or enlarging the Participants' rights thereunder.



3. Determination of Level of Achievement of Performance Targets. Following the end of each fiscal quarter during the Performance Period, the Committee will determine the level at which the Performance Targets have been achieved, and shall calculate the corresponding number of PSUs that will vest with respect to each Performance Target in accordance with chart set forth above. Such determination shall occur as soon as practicable following preparation of the Company's financial statements related to the applicable fiscal quarter, and the Committee shall approve in writing the extent to which the Performance Targets have been achieved and the corresponding number of PSUs vesting based on the level of achievement of each Performance Target (the date of such approval with respect to the applicable fiscal quarter, the "Determination Date"). All determinations with respect to whether and to the extent to which the Performance Targets have been achieved (including calculation of the corresponding number of PSUs that will vest, if any, with respect to that level of achievement) shall be made by the Committee in its sole discretion.

# **EXHIBIT A**

#### BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC. 2021 OMNIBUS INCENTIVE PLAN

- 1. Purpose. The purpose of this Blade Air Mobility, Inc. 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan is to provide a means through which the Company and the other members of the Company Group may attract and retain key personnel, and to provide a means whereby directors, officers, employees, consultants, and advisors of the Company and the other members of the Company Group can acquire and maintain an equity interest in the Company, or be paid incentive compensation, including incentive compensation measured by reference to the value of Common Stock, thereby strengthening their commitment to the welfare of the Company Group and aligning their interests with those of the Company's stockholders.
  - **2. Definitions.** The following definitions shall be applicable throughout the Plan.
  - (a) "Absolute Share Limit" has the meaning given to such term in Section 5(b) of the Plan.
  - (b) "Adjustment Event" has the meaning given to such term in Section 10(a) of the Plan.
- (c) "Affiliate" means any Person that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the Company. The term "control" (including, with correlative meaning, the terms "controlled by" and "under common control with"), as applied to any Person, means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person, whether through the ownership of voting or other securities, appointing a majority of the board of directors, by contract, or otherwise.
- (d) "Applicable Law" means each law, rule, regulation and requirement, applicable to the Company including, but not limited to, each applicable U.S. federal, state or local law, any rule or regulation of the applicable securities exchange or inter-dealer quotation system on which the securities of the Company may be listed or quoted and each applicable law, rule or regulation of any other country or jurisdiction where Awards are granted under the Plan or Participants reside or provide services, as each such laws, rules and regulations shall be in effect from time to time.
- (e) "Award" means, individually or collectively, any Incentive Stock Option, Nonqualified Stock Option, Stock Appreciation Right, Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Unit, Other Equity-Based Award, and Other Cash-Based Award granted under the Plan.
- (f) "Award Agreement" means the document or documents by which each Award (other than an Other Cash-Based Award) is evidenced, which may be in written or electronic form.
  - (g) "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.
- (h) "Cause" means, as to any Participant, unless the applicable Award Agreement states otherwise, (i) "Cause", as defined in any employment, severance, consulting or other similar agreement between the Participant and the Service Recipient in effect at the time of such Termination, or (ii) in the absence of any such employment, severance, consulting or other similar agreement (or the absence of any definition of "Cause" contained therein), the Participant's (A) willful neglect in the performance of the Participant's duties for the Service Recipient or willful or repeated failure or refusal to perform such duties; (B) engagement in

conduct in connection with the Participant's employment or service with the Service Recipient, which results in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, material harm to the business or reputation of the Service Recipient or any other member of the Company Group; (C) conviction of, or plea of guilty or no contest to (I) any felony or (II) any other crime that results in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, material harm to the business or reputation of the Service Recipient or any other member of the Company Group; (D) material violation of the written policies of the Service Recipient, including, but not limited to, those relating to sexual harassment or the disclosure or misuse of confidential information, or those set forth in the manuals or statements of policy of the Service Recipient; (E) fraud or misappropriation, embezzlement, or misuse of funds or property belonging to the Service Recipient or any other member of the Company Group; or (F) act of personal dishonesty that involves personal profit in connection with the Participant's employment or service to the Service Recipient; *provided*, in any case, that a Participant's resignation after an event that would be grounds for a Termination for Cause will be treated as a Termination for Cause hereunder.

# (i) "Change in Control" means:

- (i) the acquisition (whether by purchase, merger, consolidation, combination, or other similar transaction) by any Person of beneficial ownership (within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act) of more than 50% (on a fully diluted basis) of either (A) the then-outstanding shares of Common Stock, taking into account as outstanding for this purpose such shares of Common Stock issuable upon the exercise of options or warrants, the conversion of convertible stock or debt and the exercise of any similar right to acquire such shares of Common Stock; or (B) the combined voting power of the then-outstanding voting securities of the Company entitled to vote generally in the election of directors; *provided, however*, that for purposes of the Plan, the following acquisitions shall not constitute a Change in Control: (I) any acquisition by (x) the Company or any Affiliate or (y) any Person or group of Persons, in each case, that includes Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc. and/or investment funds affiliated with KSL Capital Partners, LLC, unless otherwise determined by the Board; (II) any acquisition by any employee benefit plan sponsored or maintained by the Company or any Affiliate; or (III) in respect of an Award held by a particular Participant, any acquisition by the Participant or any group of Persons including the Participant);
- during any period of 12 months, individuals who, at the beginning of such period, constitute the Board (the "Incumbent Directors") cease for any reason to constitute at least a majority of the Board; *provided*, that any Person becoming a director subsequent to the Effective Date, whose election or nomination for election was approved by a vote of at least two-thirds of the Incumbent Directors then on the Board (either by a specific vote or by approval of the proxy statement of the Company in which such Person is named as a nominee for director, without written objection to such nomination) shall be an Incumbent Director; *provided*, *however*, that no individual initially elected or nominated as a director of the Company as a result of an actual or threatened election contest, as such terms are used in Rule 14a-12 of Regulation 14A promulgated under the Exchange Act, with respect to directors or as a result of any other actual or threatened solicitation of proxies or consents by or on behalf of any Person other than the Board shall be deemed to be an Incumbent Director; or
- (iii) the sale, transfer, or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company Group (taken as a whole) to any Person that is not an Affiliate of the Company.

- (j) "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any successor thereto. Reference in the Plan to any section of the Code shall be deemed to include any regulations or other interpretative guidance under such section, and any amendments or successor provisions to such section, regulations, or guidance.
- (k) "Committee" means the Compensation Committee of the Board or any properly delegated subcommittee thereof or, if no such Compensation Committee or subcommittee thereof exists, the Board.
- (l) "Common Stock" means the Class A common stock of the Company, par value \$0.0001 per share (and any stock or other securities into which such Common Stock may be converted or into which it may be exchanged).
  - (m) "Company" means Blade Air Mobility, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and any successor thereto.
  - (n) "Company Group" means, collectively, the Company and its Subsidiaries and Affiliates.
- (o) "Date of Grant" means the date on which the granting of an Award is authorized, or such other date as may be specified in such authorization.
- (p) "Designated Foreign Subsidiaries" means all members of the Company Group that are organized under the laws of any jurisdiction other than the United States of America that may be designated by the Board or the Committee from time to time.
- (q) "Detrimental Activity" means any of the following: (i) unauthorized disclosure or use of any confidential or proprietary information of any member of the Company Group; (ii) any activity that would be grounds to terminate the Participant's employment or service with the Service Recipient for Cause; (iii) a breach by the Participant of any restrictive covenant by which such Participant is bound, including, without limitation, any covenant not to compete or not to solicit, in any agreement with any member of the Company Group; or (iv) fraud or conduct contributing to any financial restatements or irregularities, in each case, as determined by the Committee in its sole discretion.
- (r) "Disability" means, as to any Participant, unless the applicable Award Agreement states otherwise, (i) "Disability", as defined in any employment, severance, consulting or other similar agreement between the Participant and the Service Recipient in effect at the time of such Termination; or (ii) in the absence of any such employment, severance, consulting or other similar agreement (or the absence of any definition of "Disability" contained therein), a condition entitling the Participant to receive benefits under a long-term disability plan of the Service Recipient or other member of the Company Group in which such Participant is eligible to participate, or, in the absence of such a plan, the complete and permanent inability of the Participant by reason of illness or accident to perform the duties of the position at which the Participant was employed or served when such disability commenced. Any determination of whether Disability exists in the absence of a long-term disability plan shall be made by the Company (or its designee) in its sole and absolute discretion.
  - (s) "Effective Date" means May 7, 2021.
- (t) "Eligible Person" means any: (i) individual employed by any member of the Company Group; provided, however, that no such employee covered by a collective bargaining agreement shall be an Eligible Person unless and to the extent that such eligibility is set forth in such collective bargaining agreement or in an agreement or instrument relating thereto;

- (ii) director or officer of any member of the Company Group; or (iii) consultant or advisor to any member of the Company Group who may be offered securities registrable pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-8 under the Securities Act, who, in the case of each of clauses (i) through (iii) above, has entered into an Award Agreement or who has received written notification from the Committee or its designee that they have been selected to participate in the Plan.
- (u) "Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and any successor thereto. Reference in the Plan to any section of (or rule promulgated under) the Exchange Act shall be deemed to include any rules, regulations, or other interpretative guidance under such section or rule, and any amendments or successor provisions to such section, rules, regulations, or guidance.
  - (v) "Exercise Price" has the meaning given to such term in Section 6(b) of the Plan.
- (w) "Fair Market Value" means, on a given date: (i) if the Common Stock is listed on a national securities exchange, the closing sales price of the Common Stock reported on the primary exchange on which the Common Stock is listed and traded on such date, or, if there are no such sales on that date, then on the last preceding date on which such sales were reported; (ii) if the Common Stock is not listed on any national securities exchange but is quoted in an inter-dealer quotation system on a last-sale basis, the average between the closing bid price and ask price reported on such date, or, if there is no such sale on that date, then on the last preceding date on which a sale was reported; or (iii) if the Common Stock is not listed on a national securities exchange or quoted in an inter-dealer quotation system on a last-sale basis, the amount determined by the Committee in good faith to be the fair market value of the Common Stock; provided, however, as to any Awards granted on or with a Date of Grant of the Effective Date, "Fair Market Value" shall be equal to the closing sales price on the Nasdaq Capital Market of a share of Common Stock on the last preceding date on which sales were reported prior to the Effective Date.
  - (x) "GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles.
  - (y) "Immediate Family Members" has the meaning given to such term in Section 12(b) of the Plan.
- (z) "Incentive Stock Option" means an Option that is designated by the Committee as an incentive stock option as described in Section 422 of the Code and otherwise meets the requirements set forth in the Plan.
  - (aa) "Indemnifiable Person" has the meaning given to such term in Section 4(e) of the Plan.
  - (ab) "Non-Employee Director" means a member of the Board who is not an employee of any member of the Company Group.
  - (ac) "Nonqualified Stock Option" means an Option that is not designated by the Committee as an Incentive Stock Option.
  - (ad) "Option" means an Award granted under Section 6 of the Plan.
  - (ae) "Option Period" has the meaning given to such term in Section 6(c) of the Plan.
- (af) "Other Cash-Based Award" means an Award that is granted under Section 9 of the Plan that is denominated and/or payable in cash.

- (ag) "Other Equity-Based Award" means an Award that is not an Option, Stock Appreciation Right, Restricted Stock, or Restricted Stock Unit that is granted under Section 9 of the Plan and is (i) payable by delivery of Common Stock and/or (ii) measured by reference to the value of Common Stock.
- (ah) "Participant" means an Eligible Person who has been selected by the Committee to participate in the Plan and to receive an Award pursuant to the Plan.
- "Performance Conditions" means specific levels of performance of the Company (and/or one or more members of the Company Group, divisions or operational and/or business units, product lines, brands, business segments, administrative departments, or any combination of the foregoing), which may be determined in accordance with GAAP or on a non-GAAP basis on, without limitation, the following measures: (i) net earnings, net income (before or after taxes), adjusted net income after capital charges or consolidated net income; (ii) basic or diluted earnings per share (before or after taxes); (iii) net revenue or net revenue growth; (iv) gross revenue or gross revenue growth, gross profit or gross profit growth; (v) operating income or net operating profit (before or after taxes); (vi) return measures (including, but not limited to, return on investment, assets, capital, employed capital, invested capital, equity, or sales); (vii) cash flow measures (including, but not limited to, operating cash flow, free cash flow, or cash flow return on capital), which may be, but are not required to be, measured on a per share basis; (viii) actual or adjusted earnings before or after interest, taxes, depreciation, and/or amortization (including EBIT and EBITDA) or earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and restructuring costs (EBITDAR); (ix) gross or net operating margins; (x) productivity ratios; (xi) stock price (including, but not limited to, growth measures and total stockholder return); (xii) expense targets or cost reduction goals, general and administrative expense savings; (xiii) operating efficiency; (xiv) objective measures of customer/client satisfaction; (xv) working capital targets; (xvi) measures of economic value added or other 'value creation' metrics; (xvii) enterprise value; (xviii) sales; (xix) stockholder return; (xx) customer/client retention; (xxi) competitive market metrics; (xxii) employee satisfaction, employment practices and employee benefits or employee retention; (xxiii) supervision of litigation and information technology; (xxiv) objective measures of personal targets, goals, or completion of projects (including, but not limited to, succession and hiring projects, completion of specific acquisitions, dispositions, reorganizations, divestitures of subsidiaries and/or other affiliates or joint ventures, other monetization or liquidity events relating to subsidiaries, or other corporate transactions or capital-raising transactions, expansions of specific business operations, and meeting divisional or project budgets); (xxv) comparisons of continuing operations to other operations; (xxvi) market share; (xxvii) cost of capital, debt leverage, year-end cash position, book value, book value per share, tangible book value, tangible book value per share, cash book value or cash book value per share; (xxviii) strategic objectives; or (xxix) any combination of the foregoing. Any one or more of the aforementioned performance criteria may be stated as a percentage of another performance criteria, or used on an absolute or relative basis to measure the performance of one or more members of the Company Group as a whole or any divisions or operational and/or business units, product lines, brands, business segments, or administrative departments of the Company and/or one or more members of the Company Group or any combination thereof, as the Committee may deem appropriate, or any of the above performance criteria may be compared to the performance of a selected group of comparison companies, or a published or special index that the Committee, in its sole discretion, deems appropriate, or as compared to various stock market indices.
  - (aj) "Permitted Transferee" has the meaning given to such term in Section 12(b) of the Plan.

- (ak) "Person" means any individual, entity, or group (within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) or 14(d)(2) of the Exchange Act).
- (al) "Plan" means this Blade Air Mobility, Inc. 2021 Omnibus Incentive Plan, as it may be amended and/or restated from time to time.
  - (am) "Prior Plan" means the Fly Blade, Inc. 2015 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended.
- (an) "Qualifying Director" means a Person who is, with respect to actions intended to obtain an exemption from Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act pursuant to Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act, a "non-employee director" within the meaning of Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act.
- (ao) "Restricted Period" means the period of time determined by the Committee during which an Award is subject to restrictions, including vesting conditions.
- (ap) "Restricted Stock" means Common Stock, subject to certain specified restrictions (which may include, without limitation, a requirement that the Participant remain continuously employed or provide continuous services for a specified period of time), granted under Section 8 of the Plan.
- (aq) "Restricted Stock Unit" means an unfunded and unsecured promise to deliver shares of Common Stock, cash, other securities, or other property, subject to certain restrictions (which may include, without limitation, a requirement that the Participant remain continuously employed or provide continuous services for a specified period of time), granted under Section 8 of the Plan.
  - (ar) "SAR Period" has the meaning given to such term in Section 7(c) of the Plan.
- (as) "Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and any successor thereto. Reference in the Plan to any section of (or rule promulgated under) the Securities Act shall be deemed to include any rules, regulations, or other interpretative guidance under such section or rule, and any amendments or successor provisions to such section, rules, regulations, or guidance.
- (at) "Service Recipient" means, with respect to a Participant holding a given Award, the member of the Company Group by which the original recipient of such Award is, or following a Termination was most recently, principally employed or to which such original recipient provides, or following a Termination was most recently providing, services, as applicable.
  - (au) "Stock Appreciation Right" or "SAR" means an Award granted under Section 7 of the Plan.
  - (av) "Strike Price" has the meaning given to such term in Section 7(b) of the Plan.
- (aw) "Sub-Plans" means any sub-plan to the Plan that has been adopted by the Board or the Committee for the purpose of permitting or facilitating the offering of Awards to employees of certain Designated Foreign Subsidiaries or otherwise outside the jurisdiction of the United States of America, with each such Sub-Plan designed to comply with Applicable Law in such foreign jurisdictions. Although any Sub-Plan may be designated a separate and independent plan from the Plan in order to comply with Applicable Law, the Absolute Share Limit and the other limits specified in Section 5(b) of the Plan shall apply in the aggregate to the Plan and any Sub-Plan adopted hereunder.

- (ax) "Subsidiary" means, with respect to any specified Person:
- (i) any corporation, association, or other business entity of which more than 50% of the total voting power of shares of such entity's voting securities (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency and after giving effect to any voting agreement or stockholders' agreement that effectively transfers voting power) is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by that Person or one or more of the other Subsidiaries of that Person (or a combination thereof); and
- (ii) any partnership (or any comparable foreign entity) (A) the sole general partner (or functional equivalent thereof) or the managing general partner of which is such Person or Subsidiary of such Person or (B) the only general partners (or functional equivalents thereof) of which are that Person or one or more Subsidiaries of that Person (or any combination thereof).
- (ay) "Substitute Awards" has the meaning given to such term in Section 5(e) of the Plan.
- (az) "**Termination**" means the termination of a Participant's employment or service, as applicable, with the Service Recipient for any reason (including death or Disability).
- 3. Effective Date; Duration. The Plan shall be effective as of the Effective Date. The expiration date of the Plan, on and after which date no Awards may be granted hereunder, shall be the tenth anniversary of the Effective Date; *provided, however*, that such expiration shall not affect Awards then outstanding, and the terms and conditions of the Plan shall continue to apply to such Awards.

#### 4. Administration.

- (a) General. The Committee shall administer the Plan. To the extent required to comply with the provisions of Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act (if the Board is not acting as the Committee under the Plan), it is intended that each member of the Committee shall, at the time such member takes any action with respect to an Award under the Plan that is intended to qualify for the exemptions provided by Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act, be a Qualifying Director. However, the fact that a Committee member shall fail to qualify as a Qualifying Director shall not invalidate any Award granted by the Committee that is otherwise validly granted under the Plan.
- (b) Committee Authority. Subject to the provisions of the Plan and Applicable Law, the Committee shall have the sole and plenary authority, in addition to other express powers and authorizations conferred on the Committee by the Plan, to: (i) designate Participants; (ii) determine the type or types of Awards to be granted to a Participant; (iii) determine the number of shares of Common Stock to be covered by, or with respect to which payments, rights, or other matters are to be calculated in connection with, Awards; (iv) determine the terms and conditions of any Award (including, but not limited to, the time or times when Awards vest or may be exercised, including any Performance Conditions, any vesting acceleration or waiver of forfeiture restrictions, and any restriction or limitation regarding any Award or the shares of Common Stock relating thereto, based in each case on such factors as the Committee will determine); (v) determine whether, to what extent, and under what circumstances Awards may be settled in, or exercised for, cash, Common Stock, other securities, other property, or canceled, forfeited, or suspended and the method or methods by which Awards may be settled, exercised, canceled, forfeited, or suspended; (vi) determine whether, to what extent, and under what circumstances the delivery of cash, Common Stock, other securities, other Awards, or other property and other amounts payable with respect to an Award shall be deferred

either automatically or at the election of the Participant or of the Committee; (vii) interpret, administer, reconcile any inconsistency in, correct any defect in, and/or supply any omission in the Plan and any instrument or agreement relating to, or Award granted under, the Plan; (viii) establish, amend, suspend, or waive any rules and regulations and appoint such agents as the Committee shall deem appropriate for the proper administration of the Plan; (ix) adopt Sub-Plans; and (x) make any other determination and take any other action that the Committee deems necessary or desirable for the administration of the Plan.

- (c) <u>Delegation</u>. Except to the extent prohibited by Applicable Law, the Committee may allocate all or any portion of its responsibilities and powers to any one or more of its members and may delegate all or any part of its responsibilities and powers to any Person or Persons selected by it. Any such allocation or delegation may be revoked by the Committee at any time. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Committee may delegate to one or more officers of any member of the Company Group the authority to act on behalf of the Committee with respect to any matter, right, obligation, or election which is the responsibility of, or which is allocated to, the Committee herein, and which may be so delegated in accordance with Applicable Law, except for grants of Awards to Non-Employee Directors. Notwithstanding the foregoing in this Section 4(c), it is intended that any action under the Plan intended to qualify for an exemption provided by Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Exchange Act related to Persons who are subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act will be taken only by the Board or by a committee or subcommittee of two or more Qualifying Directors. However, the fact that any member of such committee or subcommittee shall fail to qualify as a Qualifying Director shall not invalidate any action that is otherwise valid under the Plan.
- (d) <u>Finality of Decisions</u>. Unless otherwise expressly provided in the Plan, all designations, determinations, interpretations, and other decisions under or with respect to the Plan, any Award or any Award Agreement shall be within the sole discretion of the Committee, may be made at any time, and shall be final, conclusive, and binding upon all Persons, including, without limitation, any member of the Company Group, any Participant, any holder or beneficiary of any Award, and any stockholder of the Company.
- (e) Indemnification. No member of the Board, the Committee, or any employee or agent of any member of the Company Group (each such Person, an "Indemnifiable Person") shall be liable for any action taken or omitted to be taken or any determination made with respect to the Plan or any Award hereunder (unless constituting fraud, dishonesty, or a willful criminal act or omission). Each Indemnifiable Person shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Company to the maximum extent permitted by Applicable Law against and from any loss, cost, liability, or expense (including attorneys' fees) that may be imposed upon or incurred by such Indemnifiable Person in connection with or resulting from any action, suit, or proceeding to which such Indemnifiable Person may be a party or in which such Indemnifiable Person may be involved by reason of any action taken or omitted to be taken or determination made with respect to the Plan or any Award hereunder and against and from any and all amounts paid by such Indemnifiable Person with the Company's approval, in settlement thereof, or paid by such Indemnifiable Person in satisfaction of any judgment in any such action, suit, or proceeding against such Indemnifiable Person, and the Company shall advance to such Indemnifiable Person any such expenses promptly upon written request (which request shall include an undertaking by the Indemnifiable Person to repay the amount of such advance if it shall ultimately be determined, as provided below, that the Indemnifiable Person is not entitled to be indemnified); provided, that the Company shall have the right, at its own expense, to assume and defend any such action, suit, or proceeding and once the Company gives notice of its intent to assume the defense, the Company shall have sole control over such defense with counsel of the Company's choice. The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be available to an Indemnifiable Person determines that the

acts, omissions, or determinations of such Indemnifiable Person giving rise to the indemnification claim resulted from such Indemnifiable Person's fraud, dishonesty, or willful criminal act or omission or that such right of indemnification is otherwise prohibited by Applicable Law or by the organizational documents of any member of the Company Group. The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be exclusive of or otherwise supersede any other rights of indemnification to which such Indemnifiable Persons may be entitled under (i) the organizational documents of any member of the Company Group, (ii) pursuant to Applicable Law, (iii) an individual indemnification agreement or contract, or otherwise, or (iv) any other power that the Company may have to indemnify such Indemnifiable Persons or hold such Indemnifiable Persons harmless.

(f) <u>Board Authority</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Plan, the Board may, in its sole discretion, at any time and from time to time, grant Awards and administer the Plan with respect to such Awards. Any such actions by the Board shall be subject to Applicable Law. In any such case, the Board shall have all the authority granted to the Committee under the Plan.

# 5. Grant of Awards; Shares Subject to the Plan; Limitations.

- (a) <u>Grants</u>. The Committee may, from time to time, grant Awards to one or more Eligible Persons. All Awards granted under the Plan shall vest and become exercisable in such manner and on such date or dates or upon such event or events as determined by the Committee, including, without limitation, attainment of Performance Conditions.
- Share Reserve and Limits. Awards granted under the Plan shall be subject to the following limitations: (i) subject to Section 10 of the Plan, no more than 9,306,968 shares of Common Stock (the "Absolute Share Limit") shall be available for Awards under the Plan; provided, however, that the Absolute Share Limit shall be automatically increased (A) on the first day of each fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the Effective Date falls in an amount equal to the least of (x) 4,653,484 shares of Common Stock, (y) 5% of the total number of shares of Common Stock outstanding on the last day of the immediately preceding fiscal year, and (z) a lower number of shares of Common Stock as determined by the Board; and (B) for any shares of Common Stock underlying awards outstanding under the Prior Plan that, on or after the Effective Date, expire or are canceled, forfeited, terminated, settled in cash or otherwise settled without issuance to the holder thereof the full number of shares of Common Stock to which the award related and thereupon become available for grant under the Plan pursuant to Section 5(c) of the Plan; (ii) subject to Section 10 of the Plan, no more than the number of shares of Common Stock equal to the Absolute Share Limit may be issued in the aggregate pursuant to the exercise of Incentive Stock Options granted under the Plan; and (iii) during a single fiscal year, each Non-Employee Director, shall be granted a number of shares Common Stock subject to Awards, taken together with any cash fees paid to such Non-Employee Director during such fiscal year, equal to (A) a total value of \$1,000,000 (calculating the value of any such Awards based on the grant date fair value of such Awards for financial reporting purposes) or (B) such lower amount as determined by the Board prior to the Date of Grant, either as part of the Company's non-employee director compensation program or as otherwise determined by the Board in the event of any change to such non-employee director's compensation program or for any particular period of service. To the extent the Board makes a determination pursuant to clause (iii)(B) above with respect to any year of service, such determination shall in no event be applicable to any subsequent year of service without a further determination by the Board in respect of any subsequent year of service.
- (c) <u>Share Counting.</u> Other than with respect to Substitute Awards, to the extent that an Award (or, if granted under the Prior Plan, award) expires or is canceled, forfeited, terminated, settled in cash, or otherwise is settled without issuance to the Participant of the full

number of shares of Common Stock to which the Award (or, if granted under the Prior Plan, award) related, the unissued shares of Common Stock will again be available for grant under the Plan. Shares of Common Stock withheld in payment of the Exercise Price, or taxes relating to an Award (or, if granted under the Prior Plan, award), and shares equal to the number of shares surrendered in payment of any Exercise Price, or taxes relating to an Award, shall be deemed to constitute shares not issued to the Participant and shall be deemed to again be available for Awards under the Plan; provided, however, that such shares shall not become available for issuance hereunder if either: (i) the applicable shares are withheld or surrendered following the termination of the Plan; or (ii) at the time the applicable shares are withheld or surrendered, it would constitute a material revision of the Plan subject to stockholder approval under any then-applicable rules of the national securities exchange on which the Common Stock is listed.

- (d) <u>Source of Shares</u>. Shares of Common Stock issued by the Company in settlement of Awards may be authorized and unissued shares, shares of Common Stock held in the treasury of the Company, shares of Common Stock purchased on the open market or by private purchase, or a combination of the foregoing.
- (e) <u>Substitute Awards</u>. Awards may, in the sole discretion of the Committee, be granted under the Plan in assumption of, or in substitution for, outstanding Awards previously granted by an entity directly or indirectly acquired by the Company or with which the Company combines ("**Substitute Awards**"). Substitute Awards shall not be counted against the Absolute Share Limit; *provided*, that Substitute Awards issued in connection with the assumption of, or in substitution for, outstanding Options intended to qualify as "incentive stock options" within the meaning of Section 422 of the Code shall be counted against the aggregate number of shares of Common Stock available for Awards of Incentive Stock Options under the Plan. Subject to applicable stock exchange requirements, available shares under a stockholder-approved plan of an entity directly or indirectly acquired by the Company or with which the Company combines (as appropriately adjusted to reflect the acquisition or combination transaction) may be used for Awards under the Plan and shall not reduce the number of shares of Common Stock available for issuance under the Plan.

### 6. Options.

(a) General. Each Option granted under the Plan shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement, which agreement need not be the same for each Participant. Each Option so granted shall be subject to the conditions set forth in this Section 6, and to such other conditions not inconsistent with the Plan as may be reflected in the applicable Award Agreement. All Options granted under the Plan shall be Nonqualified Stock Options unless the applicable Award Agreement expressly states that the Option is intended to be an Incentive Stock Option. Incentive Stock Options shall be granted only to Eligible Persons who are employees of a member of the Company Group, and no Incentive Stock Option shall be granted to any Eligible Person who is ineligible to receive an Incentive Stock Option under the Code. No Option shall be treated as an Incentive Stock Option unless the Plan has been approved by the stockholders of the Company in a manner intended to comply with the stockholder approval requirements of Section 422(b)(1) of the Code; *provided*, that any Option intended to be an Incentive Stock Option shall not fail to be effective solely on account of a failure to obtain such approval, but rather such Option shall be treated as a Nonqualified Stock Option unless and until such approval is obtained. In the case of an Incentive Stock Option, the terms and conditions of such grant shall be subject to, and comply with, such rules as may be prescribed by Section 422 of the Code. If for any reason an Option intended to be an Incentive Stock Option (or any portion thereof) shall not qualify as an Incentive Stock Option, then, to the extent of such nonqualification, such Option or portion thereof shall be regarded as a Nonqualified Stock Option appropriately granted under the Plan.

- (b) Exercise Price. Except as otherwise provided by the Committee in the case of Substitute Awards, the exercise price ("Exercise Price") per share of Common Stock for each Option shall not be less than 100% of the Fair Market Value of such share (determined as of the Date of Grant); provided, however, that in the case of an Incentive Stock Option granted to an employee who, at the time of the grant of such Option, owns stock representing more than 10% of the voting power of all classes of stock of any member of the Company Group, the Exercise Price per share shall be no less than 110% of the Fair Market Value per share on the Date of Grant.
  - (c) Vesting and Expiration; Termination.
  - (i) Options shall vest and become exercisable in such manner and on such date or dates or upon such event or events as determined by the Committee including, without limitation, those set forth in Section 5(a) of the Plan; *provided*, *however*, that notwithstanding any such vesting dates or events, the Committee may in its sole discretion accelerate the vesting of any Options at any time and for any reason. Options shall expire upon a date determined by the Committee, not to exceed ten years from the Date of Grant (the "**Option Period**"); *provided*, that if the Option Period (other than in the case of an Incentive Stock Option) would expire at a time when trading in the Common Stock is prohibited by the Company's insider trading policy (or Company-imposed "blackout period"), then the Option Period shall be automatically extended until the 30<sup>th</sup> day following the expiration of such prohibition. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall the Option Period exceed five years from the Date of Grant in the case of an Incentive Stock Option granted to a Participant who on the Date of Grant owns stock representing more than 10% of the voting power of all classes of stock of any member of the Company Group.
  - (ii) Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, whether in an Award Agreement or otherwise, in the event of: (A) a Participant's Termination by the Service Recipient for Cause, all outstanding Options granted to such Participant shall immediately terminate and expire; (B) a Participant's Termination due to death or Disability, each outstanding unvested Option granted to such Participant shall immediately terminate and expire, and each outstanding vested Option shall remain exercisable for one year thereafter (but in no event beyond the expiration of the Option Period); and (C) a Participant's Termination for any other reason, each outstanding unvested Option granted to such Participant shall immediately terminate and expire, and each outstanding vested Option shall remain exercisable for 90 days thereafter (but in no event beyond the expiration of the Option Period).
- (d) Method of Exercise and Form of Payment. No shares of Common Stock shall be issued pursuant to any exercise of an Option until payment in full of the Exercise Price therefor is received by the Company and the Participant has paid to the Company an amount equal to any federal, state, local, and non-U.S. income, employment, and any other applicable taxes that are statutorily required to be withheld in accordance with Section 12(d) of the Plan. Options that have become exercisable may be exercised by delivery of written or electronic notice of exercise to the Company (or telephonic instructions to the extent provided by the Committee) in accordance with the terms of the Option accompanied by payment of the Exercise Price. The Exercise Price shall be payable: (i) in cash, check, cash equivalent, and/or shares of Common Stock valued at the Fair Market Value at the time the Option is exercised (including, pursuant to procedures approved by the Committee, by means of attestation of ownership of a sufficient number of shares of Common Stock in lieu of actual issuance of such shares to the Company); provided, that such shares of Common Stock are not subject to any pledge or other security interest and have been held by the Participant for at least six months (or such other period as established from time to time by the Committee in order to avoid adverse accounting treatment

applying GAAP); or (ii) by such other method as the Committee may permit in its sole discretion, including, without limitation (A) in other property having a fair market value on the date of exercise equal to the Exercise Price; (B) if there is a public market for the Common Stock at such time, by means of a broker-assisted "cashless exercise" pursuant to which the Company is delivered (including telephonically to the extent permitted by the Committee) a copy of irrevocable instructions to a stockbroker to sell the shares of Common Stock otherwise issuable upon the exercise of the Option and to deliver promptly to the Company an amount equal to the Exercise Price; or (C) a "net exercise" procedure effected by withholding the minimum number of shares of Common Stock otherwise issuable in respect of an Option that are needed to pay the Exercise Price and any federal, state, local, and non-U.S. income, employment, and any other applicable taxes that are statutorily required to be withheld in accordance with Section 12(d) of the Plan. Any fractional share of Common Stock shall be settled in cash.

- (e) Notification upon Disqualifying Disposition of an Incentive Stock Option. Each Participant awarded an Incentive Stock Option under the Plan shall notify the Company in writing immediately after the date the Participant makes a disqualifying disposition of any shares of Common Stock acquired pursuant to the exercise of such Incentive Stock Option. A disqualifying disposition is any disposition (including, without limitation, any sale) of such share of Common Stock before the later of (i) the date that is two years after the Date of Grant of the Incentive Stock Option, or (ii) the date that is one year after the date of exercise of the Incentive Stock Option. The Company may, if determined by the Committee and in accordance with procedures established by the Committee, retain possession, as agent for the applicable Participant, of any share of Common Stock acquired pursuant to the exercise of an Incentive Stock Option until the end of the period described in the preceding sentence, subject to complying with any instructions from such Participant as to the sale of such share of Common Stock.
- (f) <u>Compliance With Applicable Laws, etc.</u> Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall a Participant be permitted to exercise an Option in a manner which the Committee determines would violate the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as it may be amended from time to time, or any other Applicable Law.

# 7. Stock Appreciation Rights.

- (a) General. Each SAR granted under the Plan shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement. Each SAR so granted shall be subject to the conditions set forth in this Section 7, and to such other conditions not inconsistent with the Plan as may be reflected in the applicable Award Agreement. Any Option granted under the Plan may include tandem SARs. The Committee also may award SARs to Eligible Persons independent of any Option.
- (b) <u>Strike Price</u>. Except as otherwise provided by the Committee in the case of Substitute Awards, the strike price ("**Strike Price**") per share of Common Stock for each SAR shall not be less than 100% of the Fair Market Value of such share (determined as of the Date of Grant). Notwithstanding the foregoing, a SAR granted in tandem with (or in substitution for) an Option previously granted shall have a Strike Price equal to the Exercise Price of the corresponding Option.
  - (c) Vesting and Expiration; Termination.
  - (i) A SAR granted in connection with an Option shall become exercisable and shall expire according to the same vesting schedule and expiration provisions as the corresponding Option. A SAR granted independent of an Option shall vest and become exercisable in such manner and on such date or dates or upon such event or events as

determined by the Committee including, without limitation, those set forth in Section 5(a) of the Plan; *provided*, *however*, that notwithstanding any such vesting dates or events, the Committee may, in its sole discretion, accelerate the vesting of any SAR at any time and for any reason. SARs shall expire upon a date determined by the Committee, not to exceed ten years from the Date of Grant (the "SAR Period"); *provided*, that if the SAR Period would expire at a time when trading in the Common Stock is prohibited by the Company's insider trading policy (or Company-imposed "blackout period"), then the SAR Period shall be automatically extended until the 30th day following the expiration of such prohibition.

- (ii) Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, whether in an Award Agreement or otherwise, in the event of: (A) a Participant's Termination by the Service Recipient for Cause, all outstanding SARs granted to such Participant shall immediately terminate and expire; (B) a Participant's Termination due to death or Disability, each outstanding unvested SAR granted to such Participant shall immediately terminate and expire, and each outstanding vested SAR shall remain exercisable for one year thereafter (but in no event beyond the expiration of the SAR Period); and (C) a Participant's Termination for any other reason, each outstanding unvested SAR granted to such Participant shall immediately terminate and expire, and each outstanding vested SAR shall remain exercisable for 90 days thereafter (but in no event beyond the expiration of the SAR Period).
- (d) <u>Method of Exercise</u>. SARs that have become exercisable may be exercised by delivery of written or electronic notice of exercise to the Company in accordance with the terms of the Award, specifying the number of SARs to be exercised and the date on which such SARs were awarded.
- (e) <u>Payment</u>. Upon the exercise of a SAR, the Company shall pay to the Participant an amount equal to the number of shares subject to the SAR that is being exercised multiplied by the excess of the Fair Market Value of one share of Common Stock on the exercise date over the Strike Price, less an amount equal to any federal, state, local, and non-U.S. income, employment, and any other applicable taxes that are statutorily required to be withheld in accordance with Section 12(d) of the Plan. The Company shall pay such amount in cash, in shares of Common Stock valued at Fair Market Value, or any combination thereof, as determined by the Committee. Any fractional share of Common Stock shall be settled in cash.

#### 8. Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units.

- (a) <u>General</u>. Each grant of Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement. Each Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Unit so granted shall be subject to the conditions set forth in this Section 8, and to such other conditions not inconsistent with the Plan as may be reflected in the applicable Award Agreement.
- (b) Stock Certificates and Book-Entry Notation; Escrow or Similar Arrangement. Upon the grant of Restricted Stock, the Committee shall, at its discretion, cause a stock certificate registered in the name of the Participant to be issued or shall cause share(s) of Common Stock to be registered in the name of the Participant and held in book-entry form subject to the Company's directions and, if the Committee determines that the Restricted Stock shall be held by the Company or in escrow rather than issued to the Participant pending the release of the applicable restrictions, the Committee may require the Participant to additionally execute and deliver to the Company (i) an escrow agreement satisfactory to the Committee, if applicable, and (ii) the appropriate stock power (endorsed in blank) with respect to the Restricted Stock covered by such agreement. If a Participant shall fail to execute and deliver (in a manner permitted under Section 12(a) of the Plan or as otherwise determined by the

Committee) an agreement evidencing an Award of Restricted Stock and, if applicable, an escrow agreement and blank stock power within the amount of time specified by the Committee, the Award shall be null and void. Subject to the restrictions set forth in this Section 8, Section 12(b) of the Plan, and the applicable Award Agreement, a Participant generally shall have the rights and privileges of a stockholder as to shares of Restricted Stock, including, without limitation, the right to vote such Restricted Stock. To the extent shares of Restricted Stock are forfeited, any stock certificates issued to the Participant evidencing such shares shall be returned to the Company without undue delay, and all rights of the Participant to such shares and as a stockholder with respect thereto shall terminate automatically without further obligation on the part of the Company. A Participant shall have no rights or privileges as a stockholder as to Restricted Stock Units.

# (c) Vesting; Termination.

- (i) Restricted Stock and Restricted Stock Units shall vest, and any applicable Restricted Period shall lapse, in such manner and on such date or dates or upon such event or events as determined by the Committee including, without limitation, those set forth in Section 5(a) of the Plan; *provided*, *however*, that notwithstanding any such dates or events, the Committee may, in its sole discretion, accelerate the vesting of any Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Unit or the lapsing of any applicable Restricted Period at any time and for any reason.
- (ii) Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, whether in an Award Agreement or otherwise, in the event of a Participant's Termination for any reason prior to the time that such Participant's Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Units, as applicable, have vested, (A) all vesting with respect to such Participant's Restricted Stock or Restricted Stock Units, as applicable, shall cease and (B) unvested shares of Restricted Stock and unvested Restricted Stock Units, as applicable, shall be forfeited to the Company by the Participant for no consideration as of the date of such Termination.
- (d) Issuance of Restricted Stock and Settlement of Restricted Stock Units.
- (i) Upon the expiration of the Restricted Period with respect to any shares of Restricted Stock, the restrictions set forth in the applicable Award Agreement shall be of no further force or effect with respect to such shares, except as set forth in the applicable Award Agreement. If an escrow arrangement is used, upon such expiration the Company shall issue to the Participant or the Participant's beneficiary, without charge, the stock certificate (or, if applicable, a notice evidencing a book-entry notation) evidencing the shares of Restricted Stock that have not then been forfeited and with respect to which the Restricted Period has expired (rounded down to the nearest full share).
- (ii) Unless otherwise determined by the Committee in an Award Agreement or otherwise, upon the expiration of the Restricted Period with respect to any outstanding Restricted Stock Units, the Company shall issue to the Participant or the Participant's beneficiary, without charge, one share of Common Stock (or other securities or other property, as applicable) for each such outstanding Restricted Stock Unit; *provided, however*, that the Committee may, in its sole discretion, elect to (A) pay cash or part cash and part shares of Common Stock in lieu of issuing only shares of Common Stock in respect of such Restricted Stock Units or (B) defer the issuance of shares of Common Stock (or cash or part cash and part shares of Common Stock, as the case may be) beyond the expiration of the Restricted Period if such extension would not cause adverse tax consequences under Section 409A of the Code. If a cash payment is made in lieu of issuing shares of Common Stock in respect of such Restricted Stock Units, the amount of such payment shall be equal to the Fair Market Value per share of Common Stock as of

the date on which the Restricted Period lapsed with respect to such Restricted Stock Units.

(e) <u>Legends on Restricted Stock</u>. Each certificate, if any, or book entry representing Restricted Stocks awarded under the Plan, if any, shall bear a legend or book-entry notation substantially in the form of the following, in addition to any other information the Company deems appropriate, until the lapse of all restrictions with respect to such shares of Common Stock:

TRANSFER OF THIS CERTIFICATE AND THE SHARES REPRESENTED HEREBY IS RESTRICTED PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF THE BLADE AIR MOBILITY INC. 2021 OMNIBUS INCENTIVE PLAN AND A RESTRICTED STOCK AWARD AGREEMENT BETWEEN BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC. AND THE PARTICIPANT. A COPY OF SUCH PLAN AND AWARD AGREEMENT IS ON FILE AT THE PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES OF BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC.

- 9. Other Equity-Based Awards and Other Cash-Based Awards. The Committee may grant Other Equity-Based Awards and Other Cash-Based Awards under the Plan to Eligible Persons, alone or in tandem with other Awards, in such amounts and dependent on such conditions as the Committee shall from time to time in its sole discretion determine including, without limitation, those set forth in Section 5(a) of the Plan. Each Other Equity-Based Award granted under the Plan shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement and each Other Cash-Based Award granted under the Plan shall be evidenced in such form as the Committee may determine from time to time. Each Other Equity-Based Award or Other Cash-Based Award, as applicable, so granted shall be subject to such conditions not inconsistent with the Plan as may be reflected in the applicable Award Agreement or other form evidencing such Award, including, without limitation, those set forth in Section 12(c) of the Plan.
- 10. Changes in Capital Structure and Similar Events. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Plan to the contrary, the following provisions shall apply to all Awards granted hereunder (other than Other Cash-Based Awards):
- (a) General. In the event of (i) any dividend (other than regular cash dividends) or other distribution (whether in the form of cash, shares of Common Stock, other securities, or other property), recapitalization, stock split, reverse stock split, reorganization, merger, consolidation, split-up, split-off, spin-off, combination, repurchase, or exchange of shares of Common Stock or other securities of the Company, issuance of warrants or other rights to acquire shares of Common Stock or other securities of the Company, or other similar corporate transaction or event that affects the shares of Common Stock (including a Change in Control), or (ii) unusual or nonrecurring events affecting the Company, including changes in applicable rules, rulings, regulations, or other requirements, that the Committee determines, in its sole discretion, could result in substantial dilution or enlargement of the rights intended to be granted to, or available for, Participants (any event in (i) or (ii), an "Adjustment Event"), the Committee shall, in respect of any such Adjustment Event, make such proportionate substitution or adjustment, if any, as it, in its sole discretion, deems equitable, to any or all of: (A) the Absolute Share Limit, or any other limit applicable under the Plan with respect to the number of Awards that may be granted hereunder; (B) the number of shares of Common Stock or other securities or other property) that may be issued in respect of Awards or with respect to which Awards may be granted under the Plan or any Sub-Plan; and (C) the terms of any outstanding Award, including, without limitation, (I) the number of shares of Common Stock or other securities of the Company (or number and kind of other securities or other property) subject to outstanding Awards or to which outstanding Awards relate; (II) the Exercise Price or Strike Price with respect to any Award; or (III) any

applicable performance measures; *provided*, that in the case of any "equity restructuring" (within the meaning of the Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 718 (or any successor pronouncement thereto)), the Committee shall make an equitable or proportionate adjustment to outstanding Awards to reflect such equity restructuring. Any adjustment under this Section 10 shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes.

- (b) <u>Adjustment Events</u>. Without limiting the foregoing, except as may otherwise be provided in an Award Agreement, in connection with any Adjustment Event, the Committee may, in its sole discretion, provide for any one or more of the following:
  - (i) substitution or assumption of Awards (or awards of an acquiring company), acceleration of the exercisability of, lapse of restrictions on, or termination of Awards, or a period of time (which shall not be required to be more than ten days) for Participants to exercise outstanding Awards prior to the occurrence of such event (and any such Award not so exercised shall terminate upon the occurrence of such event); and
  - (ii) subject to any limitations or reductions as may be necessary to comply with Section 409A of the Code, cancellation of any one or more outstanding Awards and payment to the holders of such Awards that are vested as of such cancellation (including, without limitation, any Awards that would vest as a result of the occurrence of such event but for such cancellation or for which vesting is accelerated by the Committee in connection with such event) the value of such Awards, if any, as determined by the Committee (which value, if applicable, may be based upon the price per share of Common Stock received or to be received by other stockholders of the Company in such event), including, without limitation, in the case of an outstanding Option or SAR, a cash payment in an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Fair Market Value (as of a date specified by the Committee) of the shares of Common Stock subject to such Option or SAR over the aggregate Exercise Price or Strike Price of such Option or SAR (it being understood that, in such event, any Option or SAR having a per share Exercise Price or Strike Price equal to, or in excess of, the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock subject thereto may be canceled and terminated without any payment or consideration therefor), or, in the case of Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units, or Other Equity-Based Awards that are not vested as of such cancellation, a cash payment or equity subject to deferred vesting and delivery consistent with the vesting restrictions applicable to such Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units, or Other Equity-Based Awards prior to cancellation, or the underlying shares in respect thereof.

Payments to holders pursuant to clause (ii) above shall be made in cash or, in the sole discretion of the Committee, in the form of such other consideration necessary for a Participant to receive property, cash, or securities (or combination thereof) as such Participant would have been entitled to receive upon the occurrence of the transaction if the Participant had been, immediately prior to such transaction, the holder of the number of shares of Common Stock covered by the Award at such time (less any applicable Exercise Price or Strike Price).

(c) Other Requirements. Prior to any payment or adjustment contemplated under this Section 10, the Committee may require a Participant to (i) represent and warrant as to the unencumbered title to the Participant's Awards; (ii) bear such Participant's pro rata share of any post-closing indemnity obligations, and be subject to the same post-closing purchase price adjustments, escrow terms, offset rights, holdback terms, and similar conditions as the other holders of Common Stock, subject to any limitations or reductions as may be necessary to comply with Section 409A of the Code; and (iii) deliver customary transfer documentation as reasonably determined by the Committee.

- (d) <u>Fractional Shares</u>. Any adjustment provided under this Section 10 may provide for the elimination of any fractional share that might otherwise become subject to an Award.
- (e) <u>Binding Effect</u>. Any adjustment, substitution, determination of value or other action taken by the Committee under this Section 10 shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes.

#### 11. Amendments and Termination.

- (a) Amendment and Termination of the Plan. The Board may amend, alter, suspend, discontinue, or terminate the Plan or any portion thereof at any time; provided, that no such amendment, alteration, suspension, discontinuance, or termination shall be made without stockholder approval if: (i) such approval is required under Applicable Law; (ii) it would materially increase the number of securities which may be issued under the Plan (except for increases pursuant to Section 5 or 10 of the Plan), or (iii) it would materially modify the requirements for participation in the Plan; provided further, that any such amendment, alteration, suspension, discontinuance, or termination that would materially and adversely affect the rights of any Participant or any holder or beneficiary of any Award theretofore granted shall not to that extent be effective without the consent of the affected Participant, holder, or beneficiary. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no amendment shall be made to the last proviso of Section 11(b) of the Plan without stockholder approval.
- (b) Amendment of Award Agreements. The Committee may, to the extent consistent with the terms of the Plan and any applicable Award Agreement, in its sole discretion, waive any conditions or rights under, amend any terms of, or alter, suspend, discontinue, cancel, or terminate, any Award theretofore granted or the associated Award Agreement, prospectively or retroactively (including after a Participant's Termination); provided, that, other than pursuant to Section 10, any such waiver, amendment, alteration, suspension, discontinuance, cancellation, or termination that would materially and adversely affect the rights of any Participant with respect to any Award theretofore granted shall not to that extent be effective without the consent of the affected Participant; provided further, that without stockholder approval, except as otherwise permitted under Section 10 of the Plan, (i) no amendment or modification may reduce the Exercise Price of any Option or the Strike Price of any SAR; (ii) the Committee may not cancel any outstanding Option or SAR and replace it with a new Option or SAR (with a lower Exercise Price or Strike Price, as the case may be) or other Award or cash payment that is greater than the intrinsic value (if any) of the canceled Option or SAR; and (iii) the Committee may not take any other action which is considered a "repricing" for purposes of the stockholder approval rules of any securities exchange or inter-dealer quotation system on which the securities of the Company are listed or quoted.

#### 12. General.

- (a) Award Agreements. Each Award (other than an Other Cash-Based Award) under the Plan shall be evidenced by an Award Agreement, which shall be delivered to the Participant to whom such Award was granted and shall specify the terms and conditions of the Award and any rules applicable thereto, including, without limitation, any Performance Conditions, the effect on such Award of the death, Disability, or Termination of a Participant, or of such other events as may be determined by the Committee. For purposes of the Plan, an Award Agreement may be in any such form (written or electronic) as determined by the Committee (including, without limitation, a Board or Committee resolution, an employment agreement, a notice, a certificate, or a letter) evidencing the Award. The Committee need not require an Award Agreement to be signed by the Participant or a duly authorized representative of the Company.
  - (b) Nontransferability.

- (i) Each Award shall be exercisable only by such Participant to whom such Award was granted during the Participant's lifetime, or, if permissible under Applicable Law, by the Participant's legal guardian or representative. No Award may be assigned, alienated, pledged, attached, sold, or otherwise transferred or encumbered by a Participant (unless such transfer is specifically required pursuant to a domestic relations order or by Applicable Law) other than by will or by the laws of descent and distribution and any such purported assignment, alienation, pledge, attachment, sale, transfer, or encumbrance shall be void and unenforceable against any member of the Company Group; *provided*, that the designation of a beneficiary shall not constitute an assignment, alienation, pledge, attachment, sale, transfer, or encumbrance.
- (ii) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Committee may, in its sole discretion, permit Awards (other than Incentive Stock Options) to be transferred by a Participant, without consideration, subject to such rules as the Committee may adopt consistent with any applicable Award Agreement to preserve the purposes of the Plan, to: (A) any Person who is a "family member" of the Participant, as such term is used in the instructions to Form S-8 under the Securities Act or any successor form of registration statement promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (collectively, the "Immediate Family Members"); (B) a trust solely for the benefit of the Participant and the Participant's Immediate Family Members; or (D) a beneficiary to whom donations are eligible to be treated as "charitable contributions" for federal income tax purposes (each transferee described in clauses (A), (B), (C), and (D) above is hereinafter referred to as a "Permitted Transferee"); provided, that the Participant gives the Committee advance written notice describing the terms and conditions of the proposed transfer and the Committee notifies the Participant in writing that such a transfer would comply with the requirements of the Plan.
- (iii) The terms of any Award transferred in accordance with clause (ii) above shall apply to the Permitted Transferee and any reference in the Plan or in any applicable Award Agreement to a Participant shall be deemed to refer to the Permitted Transferee, except that: (A) Permitted Transferees shall not be entitled to transfer any Award, other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution; (B) Permitted Transferees shall not be entitled to exercise any transferred Option unless there shall be in effect a registration statement on an appropriate form covering the shares of Common Stock to be acquired pursuant to the exercise of such Option if the Committee determines, consistent with any applicable Award Agreement, that such a registration statement is necessary or appropriate; (C) neither the Committee nor the Company shall be required to provide any notice to a Permitted Transferee, whether or not such notice is or would otherwise have been required to be given to the Participant under the Plan or otherwise; and (D) the consequences of a Participant's Termination under the terms of the Plan and the applicable Award Agreement shall continue to be applied with respect to the Participant, including, without limitation, that an Option shall be exercisable by the Permitted Transferee only to the extent, and for the periods, specified in the Plan and the applicable Award Agreement.

# (c) Dividends and Dividend Equivalents.

(i) The Committee may, in its sole discretion, provide a Participant as part of an Award with dividends, dividend equivalents, or similar payments in respect of Awards, payable in cash, shares of Common Stock, other securities, other Awards or other property, on a current or deferred basis, on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Committee in its sole discretion, including, without limitation,

payment directly to the Participant, withholding of such amounts by the Company subject to vesting of the Award or reinvestment in additional shares of Common Stock, Restricted Stock or other Awards.

- (ii) Without limiting the foregoing, unless otherwise provided in the Award Agreement, any dividend otherwise payable in respect of any shares of Restricted Stock that remain subject to vesting conditions at the time of payment of such dividend shall be retained by the Company, remain subject to the same vesting conditions as the Restricted Stock to which the dividend relates and shall be delivered (without interest) to the Participant within 15 days following the date on which such restrictions on such Restricted Stock lapse (and the right to any such accumulated dividends shall be forfeited upon the forfeiture of the Restricted Stock to which such dividends relate).
- (iii) To the extent provided in an Award Agreement, the holder of outstanding Restricted Stock Units shall be entitled to be credited with dividend equivalent payments (upon the payment by the Company of dividends on shares of Common Stock) either in cash or, in the sole discretion of the Committee, in shares of Common Stock having a Fair Market Value equal to the amount of such dividends (and interest may, in the sole discretion of the Committee, be credited on the amount of cash dividend equivalents at a rate and subject to such terms as determined by the Committee), which accumulated dividend equivalents (and interest thereon, if applicable) shall be payable at the same time as the underlying Restricted Stock Units are settled following the date on which the Restricted Period lapses with respect to such Restricted Stock Units, and if such Restricted Stock Units are forfeited, the Participant shall have no right to such dividend equivalent payments (or interest thereon, if applicable).

# (d) Tax Withholding.

- (i) A Participant shall be required to pay to the Company or one or more of its Subsidiaries, as applicable, an amount in cash (by check or wire transfer) equal to the aggregate amount of any income, employment, and/or other applicable taxes that are statutorily required to be withheld in respect of an Award. Alternatively, the Company or any of its Subsidiaries may elect, in its sole discretion, to satisfy this requirement by withholding such amount from any cash compensation or other cash amounts owing to a Participant.
- (ii) Without limiting the foregoing, the Committee may (but is not obligated to), in its sole discretion, permit or require a Participant to satisfy all or any portion of the minimum income, employment, and/or other applicable taxes that are statutorily required to be withheld with respect to an Award by: (A) the delivery of shares of Common Stock (which are not subject to any pledge or other security interest) that have been both held by the Participant and vested for at least six months (or such other period as established from time to time by the Committee in order to avoid adverse accounting treatment under applicable accounting standards) having an aggregate Fair Market Value equal to such minimum statutorily required withholding liability (or portion thereof); or (B) having the Company withhold from the shares of Common Stock otherwise issuable or deliverable to, or that would otherwise be retained by, the Participant upon the grant, exercise, vesting, or settlement of the Award, as applicable, a number of shares of Common Stock with an aggregate Fair Market Value equal to an amount, subject to clause (iii) below, not in excess of such minimum statutorily required withholding liability (or portion thereof).
- (iii) The Committee, subject to its having considered the applicable accounting impact of any such determination, has full discretion to allow Participants to satisfy, in whole or in part, any additional income, employment, and/or other applicable taxes

payable by them with respect to an Award by electing to have the Company withhold from the shares of Common Stock otherwise issuable or deliverable to, or that would otherwise be retained by, a Participant upon the grant, exercise, vesting, or settlement of the Award, as applicable, shares of Common Stock having an aggregate Fair Market Value that is greater than the applicable minimum required statutory withholding liability (but such withholding may in no event be in excess of the maximum statutory withholding amount(s) in a Participant's relevant tax jurisdictions).

- (e) No Claim to Awards; No Rights to Continued Employment; Waiver. No employee of any member of the Company Group, or other Person, shall have any claim or right to be granted an Award under the Plan or, having been selected for the grant of an Award, to be selected for a grant of any other Award. There is no obligation for uniformity of treatment of Participants or holders or beneficiaries of Awards. The terms and conditions of Awards and the Committee's determinations and interpretations with respect thereto need not be the same with respect to each Participant and may be made selectively among Participants, whether or not such Participants are similarly situated. Neither the Plan nor any action taken hereunder shall be construed as giving any Participant any right to be retained in the employ or service of the Service Recipient or any other member of the Company Group, nor shall it be construed as giving any Participant any rights to continued service on the Board. The Service Recipient or any other member of the Company Group may at any time dismiss a Participant from employment or discontinue any consulting relationship, free from any liability or any claim under the Plan, unless otherwise expressly provided in the Plan or any Award Agreement. By accepting an Award under the Plan, a Participant shall thereby be deemed to have waived any claim to continued exercise or vesting of an Award or to damages or severance entitlement related to non-continuation of the Award beyond the period provided under the Plan or any Award Agreement, except to the extent of any provision to the contrary in any written employment contract or other agreement between the Service Recipient and/or any member of the Company Group and the Participant, whether any such agreement is executed before, on, or after the Date of Grant.
- (f) <u>International Participants</u>. With respect to Participants who reside or work outside of the United States of America, the Committee may, in its sole discretion, amend the terms of the Plan and create or amend Sub-Plans or amend outstanding Awards with respect to such Participants in order to permit or facilitate participation in the Plan by such Participants, conform such terms with the requirements of Applicable Law or to obtain more favorable tax or other treatment for a Participant or any member of the Company Group.
- (g) <u>Designation and Change of Beneficiary</u>. Each Participant may file with the Committee a written designation of one or more Persons as the beneficiary or beneficiaries, as applicable, who shall be entitled to receive the amounts payable with respect to an Award, if any, due under the Plan upon the Participant's death. A Participant may, from time to time, revoke or change the Participant's beneficiary designation without the consent of any prior beneficiary by filing a new designation with the Committee. The last such designation received by the Committee shall be controlling; *provided, however*, that no designation, or change or revocation thereof, shall be effective unless received by the Committee prior to the Participant's death, and in no event shall it be effective as of a date prior to such receipt. If no beneficiary designation is filed by a Participant, the beneficiary shall be deemed to be the Participant's spouse or, if the Participant is unmarried at the time of death, the Participant's estate.
- (h) <u>Termination</u>. Except as otherwise provided in an Award Agreement, unless determined otherwise by the Committee at any point following such event: (i) neither a temporary absence from employment or service due to illness, vacation, or leave of absence (including, without limitation, a call to active duty for military service through a Reserve or National Guard unit) nor a transfer from employment or service with one Service Recipient to

employment or service with another Service Recipient (or vice-versa) shall be considered a Termination; and (ii) if a Participant undergoes a Termination, but such Participant continues to provide services to the Company Group in a non-employee capacity, including as a consultant, such change in status shall not be considered a Termination for purposes of the Plan. Further, unless otherwise determined by the Committee, in the event that any Service Recipient ceases to be a member of the Company Group (by reason of sale, divestiture, spin-off, or other similar transaction), unless a Participant's employment or service is transferred to another entity that would constitute a Service Recipient immediately following such transaction, such Participant shall be deemed to have suffered a Termination hereunder as of the date of the consummation of such transaction.

(i) No Rights as a Stockholder. Except as otherwise specifically provided in the Plan or any Award Agreement, no Person shall be entitled to the privileges of ownership in respect of shares of Common Stock that are subject to Awards hereunder until such shares have been issued or delivered to such Person.

# (i) Government and Other Regulations.

- The obligation of the Company to settle Awards in shares of Common Stock or other consideration shall be subject to compliance with Applicable Law. Notwithstanding any terms or conditions of any Award to the contrary, the Company shall be under no obligation to offer to sell or to sell, and shall be prohibited from offering to sell or selling, any shares of Common Stock pursuant to an Award unless such shares have been properly registered for sale pursuant to the Securities Act with the Securities and Exchange Commission or unless the Company has received an opinion of counsel (if the Company has requested such an opinion), satisfactory to the Company, that such shares may be offered or sold without such registration pursuant to an available exemption therefrom and the terms and conditions of such exemption have been fully complied with. The Company shall be under no obligation to register for sale under the Securities Act any of the shares of Common Stock to be offered or sold under the Plan. The Committee shall have the authority to provide that all shares of Common Stock or other securities of any member of the Company Group issued under the Plan shall be subject to such stop-transfer orders and other restrictions as the Committee may deem advisable under the Plan, the applicable Award Agreement and Applicable Law, and, without limiting the generality of Section 8 of the Plan, the Committee may cause a legend or legends to be put on certificates representing shares of Common Stock or other securities of any member of the Company Group issued under the Plan to make appropriate reference to such restrictions or may cause such shares of Common Stock or other securities of any member of the Company Group issued under the Plan in book-entry form to be held subject to the Company's instructions or subject to appropriate stop-transfer orders. Notwithstanding any provision in the Plan to the contrary, the Committee reserves the right to add, at any time, any additional terms or provisions to any Award granted under the Plan that the Committee, in its sole discretion, deems necessary or advisable in order that such Award complies with the legal requirements of any governmental entity to whose jurisdiction the Award is subject.
- (ii) The Committee may cancel an Award or any portion thereof if it determines, in its sole discretion, that legal or contractual restrictions and/or blockage and/or other market considerations would make the Company's acquisition of shares of Common Stock from the public markets, the Company's issuance of Common Stock to the Participant, the Participant's acquisition of Common Stock from the Company, and/or the Participant's sale of Common Stock to the public markets, illegal, impracticable, or inadvisable. If the Committee determines to cancel all or any portion of an Award in accordance with the foregoing, the Company shall, subject to any limitations or

reductions as may be necessary to comply with Section 409A of the Code: (A) pay to the Participant an amount equal to the excess of (I) the aggregate Fair Market Value of the shares of Common Stock subject to such Award or portion thereof canceled (determined as of the applicable exercise date, or the date that the shares would have been vested or issued, as applicable), over (II) the aggregate Exercise Price or Strike Price (in the case of an Option or SAR, respectively) or any amount payable as a condition of issuance of shares of Common Stock (in the case of any other Award), with such amount being delivered to the Participant as soon as practicable following the cancellation of such Award or portion thereof or (B) in the case of Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units, or Other Equity-Based Awards, provide the Participant with a cash payment or equity subject to deferred vesting and delivery consistent with the vesting restrictions applicable to such Restricted Stock, Restricted Stock Units, or Other Equity-Based Awards, or the underlying shares in respect thereof.

- (k) No Section 83(b) Elections Without Consent of Company. No election under Section 83(b) of the Code or under a similar provision of law may be made unless expressly permitted by the terms of the applicable Award Agreement or by action of the Committee (or its designee in accordance with Section 4(c) of the Plan) in writing prior to the making of such election. If a Participant, in connection with the acquisition of shares of Common Stock under the Plan or otherwise, is expressly permitted to make such election and the Participant makes the election, the Participant shall notify the Company of such election within ten days of filing notice of the election with the Internal Revenue Service or other governmental authority, in addition to any filing and notification required pursuant to Section 83(b) of the Code or other applicable provision.
- (l) <u>Payments to Persons Other Than Participants</u>. If the Committee shall find that any Person to whom any amount is payable under the Plan is unable to care for the Participant's affairs because of illness or accident, or is a minor, or has died, then any payment due to such Person or the Participant's estate (unless a prior claim therefor has been made by a duly appointed legal representative) may, if the Committee so directs the Company, be paid to the Participant's spouse, child, relative, an institution maintaining or having custody of such Person, or any other Person deemed by the Committee to be a proper recipient on behalf of such Person otherwise entitled to payment. Any such payment shall be a complete discharge of the liability of the Committee and the Company therefor.
- (m) Nonexclusivity of the Plan. Neither the adoption of the Plan by the Board nor the submission of the Plan to the stockholders of the Company for approval shall be construed as creating any limitations on the power of the Board to adopt such other incentive arrangements as it may deem desirable, including, without limitation, the granting of equity-based awards otherwise than under the Plan, and such arrangements may be either applicable generally or only in specific cases.
- (n) No Trust or Fund Created. Neither the Plan nor any Award shall create or be construed to create a trust or separate fund of any kind or a fiduciary relationship between any member of the Company Group, on the one hand, and a Participant or other Person, on the other hand. No provision of the Plan or any Award shall require the Company, for the purpose of satisfying any obligations under the Plan, to purchase assets or place any assets in a trust or other entity to which contributions are made or otherwise to segregate any assets, nor shall the Company be obligated to maintain separate bank accounts, books, records, or other evidence of the existence of a segregated or separately maintained or administered fund for such purposes. Participants shall have no rights under the Plan other than as unsecured general creditors of the Company, except that insofar as they may have become entitled to payment of additional compensation by performance of services, they shall have the same rights as other service providers under general law.

- (o) Reliance on Reports. Each member of the Committee and each member of the Board shall be fully justified in acting or failing to act, as the case may be, and shall not be liable for having so acted or failed to act in good faith, in reliance upon any report made by the independent public accountant of any member of the Company Group and/or any other information furnished in connection with the Plan by any agent of the Company or the Committee or the Board, other than himself or herself.
- (p) Relationship to Other Benefits. No payment under the Plan shall be taken into account in determining any benefits under any pension, retirement, profit sharing, group insurance, or other benefit plan of the Company except as otherwise specifically provided in such other plan or as required by Applicable Law.
- (q) Governing Law. THIS PLAN AND ITS ENFORCEMENT AND ANY CONTROVERSY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO ANY RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS HEREUNDER SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. Each Participant who accepts an Award hereby (i) agrees that any action, directly or indirectly, arising out of, under or relating to the Plan or any Award hereunder shall exclusively be brought in and shall exclusively be heard and determined by either the Supreme Court of the State of New York sitting in Manhattan or the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, and (ii) solely in connection with the action(s) contemplated by subsection (i) hereof, (A) irrevocably and unconditionally waives and submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts identified in clause (i) of this Section 12(q), (C) irrevocably and unconditionally waives and agrees not to plead or claim that any of the courts identified in such clause (i) is an inconvenient forum or does not have personal jurisdiction over such Participant or any member of the Company Group, and (D) agrees that mailing of process or other papers in connection with any such action in the manner provided herein or in such other manner as may be permitted by Applicable Law shall be valid and sufficient service thereof. EACH PARTICIPANT WHO ACCEPTS AN AWARD IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ALL RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY SUIT, ACTION, OR OTHER PROCEEDING INSTITUTED BY OR AGAINST SUCH PARTICIPANT IN RESPECT OF THE PARTICIPANT'S RIGHTS OR OBLIGATIONS HEREUNDER.
- (r) <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of the Plan or any Award or Award Agreement is or becomes or is deemed to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any jurisdiction or as to any Person or Award, or would disqualify the Plan or any Award under any law deemed applicable by the Committee, such provision shall be construed or deemed amended to conform to Applicable Law, or if it cannot be construed or deemed amended without, in the determination of the Committee, materially altering the intent of the Plan or the Award, such provision shall be construed or deemed stricken as to such jurisdiction, Person, or Award and the remainder of the Plan and any such Award shall remain in full force and effect.
- (s) <u>Obligations Binding on Successors</u>. The obligations of the Company under the Plan shall be binding upon any successor corporation or organization resulting from the merger, consolidation, or other reorganization of the Company, or upon any successor corporation or organization succeeding to substantially all of the assets and business of the Company.
  - (t) Section 409A of the Code.
  - (i) Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary, it is intended that the provisions of the Plan comply with Section 409A of the Code, and all provisions of the Plan shall be construed and interpreted in a manner consistent with the requirements for avoiding taxes or penalties under Section 409A of the Code. Each

Participant is solely responsible and liable for the satisfaction of all taxes and penalties that may be imposed on or in respect of such Participant in connection with the Plan (including any taxes and penalties under Section 409A of the Code), and neither the Service Recipient nor any other member of the Company Group shall have any obligation to indemnify or otherwise hold such Participant (or any beneficiary) harmless from any or all of such taxes or penalties. With respect to any Award that is considered "deferred compensation" subject to Section 409A of the Code, references in the Plan to "termination of employment" (and substantially similar phrases) shall mean "separation from service" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Code. For purposes of Section 409A of the Code, each of the payments that may be made in respect of any Award granted under the Plan is designated as a separate payment.

- (ii) Notwithstanding anything in the Plan to the contrary, if a Participant is a "specified employee" within the meaning of Section 409A(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Code, no payments in respect of any Awards that are "deferred compensation" subject to Section 409A of the Code and which would otherwise be payable upon the Participant's "separation from service" (as defined in Section 409A of the Code) shall be made to such Participant prior to the date that is six months after the date of such Participant's "separation from service" or, if earlier, the date of the Participant's death. Following any applicable six-month delay, all such delayed payments will be paid in a single lump sum on the earliest date permitted under Section 409A of the Code that is also a business day.
- (iii) Unless otherwise provided by the Committee in an Award Agreement or otherwise, in the event that the timing of payments in respect of any Award (that would otherwise be considered "deferred compensation" subject to Section 409A of the Code) are accelerated upon the occurrence of (A) a Change in Control, no such acceleration shall be permitted unless the event giving rise to the Change in Control satisfies the definition of a change in the ownership or effective control of a corporation, or a change in the ownership of a substantial portion of the assets of a corporation pursuant to Section 409A of the Code or (B) a Disability, no such acceleration shall be permitted unless the Disability also satisfies the definition of "Disability" pursuant to Section 409A of the Code.
- (u) <u>Clawback/Repayment</u>. All Awards shall be subject to reduction, cancellation, forfeiture or recoupment to the extent necessary to comply with (i) any clawback, forfeiture or other similar policy adopted by the Board or the Committee and as in effect from time to time; and (ii) Applicable Law. Further, unless otherwise determined by the Committee, to the extent that the Participant receives any amount in excess of the amount that the Participant should otherwise have received under the terms of the Award for any reason (including, without limitation, by reason of a financial restatement, mistake in calculations or other administrative error), the Participant shall be required to repay any such excess amount to the Company.
- (v) <u>Detrimental Activity</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, if a Participant has engaged in any Detrimental Activity, as determined by the Committee, the Committee may, in its sole discretion and to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, provide for one or more of the following:
  - (i) cancellation of any or all of such Participant's outstanding Awards; or
  - (ii) forfeiture by the Participant of any gain realized on the vesting or exercise of Awards, and repayment of any such gain promptly to the Company.
- (w) Right of Offset. The Company will have the right to offset against its obligation to deliver shares of Common Stock (or other property or cash) under the Plan or any Award

Agreement any outstanding amounts (including, without limitation, travel and entertainment or advance account balances, loans, repayment obligations under any Awards, or amounts repayable to the Company pursuant to tax equalization, housing, automobile, or other employee programs) that the Participant then owes to any member of the Company Group and any amounts the Committee otherwise deems appropriate pursuant to any tax equalization policy or agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if an Award is "deferred compensation" subject to Section 409A of the Code, the Committee will have no right to offset against its obligation to deliver shares of Common Stock (or other property or cash) under the Plan or any Award Agreement if such offset could subject the Participant to the additional tax imposed under Section 409A of the Code in respect of an outstanding Award.

(x) <u>Expenses: Titles and Headings</u>. The expenses of administering the Plan shall be borne by the Company Group. The titles and headings of the sections in the Plan are for convenience of reference only, and in the event of any conflict, the text of the Plan, rather than such titles or headings, shall control.

# SUBSIDIARIES OF BLADE AIR MOBILITY, INC.

The following are the subsidiaries of Blade Air Mobility, Inc. as of December 31, 2023:

Subsidiary	Jurisdiction of Organization
Blade Europe Holdings LLC	Delaware
Blade Europe SAS	France
Blade France SAS	France
Blade Monaco SARL	Monaco
Blade Urban Air Mobility, Inc.	Delaware
Blade Urban Air Mobility (Canada), Inc.	Canada
Blade Urban Ground Mobility LLC	New York
Blade US LLC	Delaware
Fly Blade LLC	Delaware
Trinity Air Medical, LLC	Arizona

# INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM'S CONSENT

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement of Blade Air Mobility, Inc. on Form S-3 (File No. 333-256640) and Form S-8 (File Nos. 333-277330 and 333-257921) of our report dated March 12, 2024, with respect to our audits of the consolidated financial statements of Blade Air Mobility, Inc. as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, which report is included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Blade Air Mobility, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2023.

/s/ Marcum LLP

Marcum LLP Melville, New York March 12, 2024

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14 AND 15d-14 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED

#### I, Robert S. Wiesenthal, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Blade Air Mobility, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 12, 2024 By: /s/ Robert S. Wiesenthal

Name: Robert S. Wiesenthal

Title: Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

# CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-14 AND 15d-14 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED

#### I, William A. Heyburn, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Blade Air Mobility, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: March 12, 2024 By: /s/ William A. Heyburn

Name: William A. Heyburn

Title: Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

#### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of Blade Air Mobility, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2023, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Report"), I, Robert S. Wiesenthal, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as added by §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and 1.
- To my knowledge, the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company as of and for the period covered by the Report.

Date: March 12, 2024 By: /s/ Robert S. Wiesenthal

> Name: Robert S. Wiesenthal Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Title:

#### CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Annual Report of Blade Air Mobility, Inc. (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2023, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Report"), I, William A. Heyburn, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §1350, as added by §906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and 1.
- To my knowledge, the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company as of and for the period covered by the Report.

Date: March 12, 2024 By: /s/ William A. Heyburn

> William A. Heyburn Name:

Chief Financial Officer Title: (Principal Financial Officer)

#### Blade Air Mobility, Inc.

# **Incentive Compensation Clawback Policy**

(As Adopted on November 13, 2023 Pursuant to Nasdaq Rule 5608)

- 1. Overview. The Compensation Committee (the "Committee") of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Blade Air Mobility, Inc. (the "Company") has adopted this Incentive Compensation Clawback Policy (the "Policy") which requires the recoupment of certain incentive-based compensation in accordance with the terms herein and is intended to comply with Listing Rule 5608, as promulgated by The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC, as such rule may be amended from time to time (the "Listing Rules"). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to such terms under Section 12 of this Policy.
- 2. Interpretation and Administration. The Committee shall have full authority to interpret and enforce the Policy; provided, however, that the Policy shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with its intent to meet the requirements of the Listing Rules. As further set forth in Section 10 below, this Policy is intended to supplement any other clawback policies and procedures that the Company may have in place from time to time pursuant to other applicable law, plans, policies or agreements.
- 3. Covered Executives. The Policy applies to each current and former Executive Officer of the Company who serves or served as an Executive Officer at any time during a performance period in respect of which Incentive Compensation is Received, to the extent that any portion of such Incentive Compensation is (a) Received by the Executive Officer during the last three completed Fiscal Years or any applicable Transition Period preceding the date that the Company is required to prepare a Restatement (regardless of whether any such Restatement is actually filed) and (b) determined to have included Erroneously Awarded Compensation. For purposes of determining the relevant recovery period referenced in the preceding clause (a), the date that the Company is required to prepare a Restatement under the Policy is the earlier to occur of (i) the date that the Board, a committee of the Board, or the officer or officers of the Company authorized to take such action if Board action is not required, concludes, or reasonably should have concluded, that the Company is required to prepare a Restatement or (ii) the date a court, regulator, or other legally authorized body directs the Company to prepare a Restatement. Executive Officers subject to this Policy pursuant to this Section 3 are referred to herein as "Covered Executives."
- **4. Recovery of Erroneously Awarded Compensation**. If any Erroneously Awarded Compensation is Received by a Covered Executive, the Company shall reasonably promptly take steps to recover such Erroneously Awarded Compensation in a manner described under Section 5 of this Policy.
- 5. Forms of Recovery. The Committee shall determine, in its sole discretion and in a manner that effectuates the purpose of the Listing Rules, one or more methods for recovering any Erroneously Awarded Compensation hereunder in accordance with Section 4 above, which may include, without limitation: (a) requiring cash reimbursement; (b) seeking recovery or forfeiture of any gain realized on the vesting, exercise, settlement, sale, transfer or other disposition of any equity-based awards; (c) offsetting the amount to be recouped from any compensation otherwise owed by the Company to the Covered Executive; (d) cancelling outstanding vested or unvested equity awards; or (e) taking any other remedial and recovery action permitted by law, as determined by the Committee. To the extent the Covered Executive refuses to pay to the Company an amount equal to the Erroneously Awarded Compensation, the Company shall have the right to sue for repayment and/or enforce the Covered Executive's obligation to make payment through the reduction or cancellation of outstanding and future compensation. Any reduction, cancellation or forfeiture of compensation shall be done in

compliance with Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

- **6. No Indemnification**. The Company shall not indemnify any Covered Executive against the loss of any Erroneously Awarded Compensation for which the Committee has determined to seek recoupment pursuant to this Policy.
- 7. **Exceptions to the Recovery Requirement**. Notwithstanding anything in this Policy to the contrary, Erroneously Awarded Compensation need not be recovered pursuant to this Policy if the Committee (or, if the Committee is not composed solely of Independent Directors, a majority of the Independent Directors serving on the Board) determines that recovery would be impracticable as a result of any of the following:
- (a) the direct expense paid to a third party to assist in enforcing the Policy would exceed the amount to be recovered; provided that, before concluding that it would be impracticable to recover any amount of Erroneously Awarded Compensation based on expense of enforcement, the Company must make a reasonable attempt to recover such Erroneously Awarded Compensation, document such reasonable attempt(s) to recover, and provide that documentation to the Exchange; or
- (b) recovery would likely cause an otherwise tax-qualified retirement plan, under which benefits are broadly available to employees of the Company, to fail to meet the requirements of 26 U.S.C. 401(a)(13) or 26 U.S.C. 411(a) and the regulations thereunder.
- **8. Committee Determination Final.** Any determination by the Committee with respect to the Policy shall be final, conclusive and binding on all interested parties.
  - **9. Amendment.** The Policy may be amended by the Committee from time to time, to the extent permitted under the Listing Rules.
- 10. Non-Exclusivity. Nothing in the Policy shall be viewed as limiting the right of the Company or the Committee to pursue additional remedies or recoupment under or as required by any similar policy adopted by the Company or under the Company's compensation plans, award agreements, employment agreements or similar agreements or the applicable provisions of any law, rule or regulation which may require or permit recoupment to a greater degree or with respect to additional compensation as compared to this Policy (but without duplication as to any recoupment already made with respect to Erroneously Awarded Compensation pursuant to this Policy). This Policy shall be interpreted in all respects to comply with the Listing Rules.
- 11. Successors. The Policy shall be binding and enforceable against all Covered Executives and their beneficiaries, heirs, executors, administrators or other legal representatives.

#### 12. Defined Terms.

"Covered Executives" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3 of this Policy.

- "Erroneously Awarded Compensation" shall mean the amount of Incentive Compensation actually Received that exceeds the amount of Incentive Compensation that otherwise would have been Received had it been determined based on the restated amounts, and computed without regard to any taxes paid. For Incentive Compensation based on stock price or total shareholder return, where the amount of erroneously awarded Incentive Compensation is not subject to mathematical recalculation directly from the information in a Restatement:
  - (A) The calculation of Erroneously Awarded Compensation shall be based on a reasonable estimate of the effect of the Restatement on the stock price or total shareholder return upon which the Incentive Compensation was Received; and
  - (B) The Company shall maintain documentation of the determination of that reasonable estimate and provide such documentation to the Exchange.
  - "Exchange" shall mean The Nasdaq Stock Market.
- "Executive Officer" shall mean the Company's president, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer (or if there is no such accounting officer, the controller), any vice-president of the Company in charge of a principal business unit, division, or function (such as sales, administration, or finance), any other officer who performs a policy-making function, or any other person who performs similar policy-making functions for the Company. Executive officers of the Company's parent(s) or subsidiaries shall be deemed executive officers of the Company if they perform such policy-making functions for the Company.
- "Financial Reporting Measures" shall mean measures that are determined and presented in accordance with the accounting principles used in preparing the Company's financial statements, and any measures that are derived wholly or in part from such measures, including, without limitation, stock price and total shareholder return (in each case, regardless of whether such measures are presented within the Company's financial statements or included in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission).
- "Fiscal Year" shall mean the Company's fiscal year; provided that a Transition Period between the last day of the Company's previous fiscal year end and the first day of its new fiscal year that comprises a period of nine to 12 months will be deemed a completed fiscal year.
- "Incentive Compensation" shall mean any compensation (whether cash or equity-based) that is granted, earned, or vested based wholly or in part upon the attainment of a Financial Reporting Measure, and may include, but shall not be limited to, performance bonuses and long-term incentive awards such as stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, restricted stock units, performance share units or other equity-based awards. For the avoidance of doubt, Incentive Compensation does not include awards that vest exclusively upon completion of a specified employment period, without any performance condition, and bonus awards that are discretionary or based on subjective goals or goals unrelated to Financial Reporting Measures. Notwithstanding the foregoing, compensation amounts shall not be considered "Incentive Compensation" for purposes of the Policy unless such compensation is Received (1) while the Company has a class of securities listed on a national securities exchange or a national securities association and (2) on or after October 2, 2023, the effective date of the Listing Rules.

"Independent Director" shall mean a director who is determined by the Board to be "independent" for Board or Committee membership, as applicable, under the rules of the Exchange, as of any determination date.

"Listing Rules" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 1 of this Policy.

Incentive Compensation shall be deemed "Received" in the Company's fiscal period during which the Financial Reporting Measure specified in the Incentive Compensation award is attained, even if the payment or grant of the Incentive Compensation occurs after the end of that period.

"Restatement" shall mean an accounting restatement due to the material noncompliance of the Company with any financial reporting requirement under the securities laws, including any required accounting restatement to correct an error in previously issued financial statements that is material to the Company's previously issued financial statements, or that would result in a material misstatement if the error were corrected in the current period or left uncorrected in the current period.

"Transition Period" shall mean any transition period that results from a change in the Company's Fiscal Year within or immediately following the three completed Fiscal Years immediately preceding the Company's requirement to prepare a Restatement.

Adopted on: November 13, 2023

# **Acknowledgment of Incentive Compensation Clawback Policy**

Reference is made to the Blade Air Mobility, Inc. Incentive Compensation Clawback Policy (as adopted on November 13, 2023 pursuant to Nasdaq Rule 5608) (the "*Policy*"). Capitalized terms used herein without definition have the meanings assigned to such terms under the Policy.

By signing below, the undersigned acknowledges, confirms and agrees that:

- the undersigned has received and reviewed a copy of the Policy;
- the undersigned is, and will continue to be, subject to the Policy to the extent provided therein;
- the Policy may apply both during and after termination of the undersigned's employment with the Company and its affiliates;
- the undersigned agrees to abide by the terms of the Policy, including, without limitation, by returning any Erroneously Awarded Compensation to the Company pursuant to the Policy.

Signature			
Print Name	 		
Date			