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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA - RIVERSIDE DIVISION			
In re:	CASE NO.: 6:18-bk-18339-MH		
TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS & SERVICES, INC., a	CHAPTER: 11		
California corporation,			
	NOTICE OF SALE OF ESTATE PROPERTY		
Debtor(s).			
Sale Date: 12/18/2018	Time: 2:00 p.m.		
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Location: United States Bankruptcy Court, Courtroom 303	3, 3420 Tweltth Street, Riverside, CA 02501		
Type of Sale: Public Private Last date t	o file objections: 12/4/2018		
Description of property to be sold: Approximately 9,000 r	non-working salvaged Lenovo computers, laptops and parts		
Terms and conditions of sale: See attached Notice of Hearing			
Proposed sale price: \$255,000.00, subject to overbids	Proposed sale price: \$255,000.00, subject to overbids		

This form is mandatory. It has been approved for use in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California.

Overbid procedure (if any): See attached Notice of Hearing			
If property is to b	be sold free and clear of liens or other interests, list date, time and location of	f hearing:	
	12/18/2018 at 2:00 p.m.		
	United States Bankruptcy Court		
	Courtroom 303		
	3420 Twelfth Street		
	Riverside, CA 92501		
Contact person fo	for potential bidders (include name, address, telephone, fax and/or email add	ress):	
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In re:	CASE NO.: 6:18-bk-18339-MH	
TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS & SERVICES, INC., a	CHAPTER: 11	
California corporation,	NOTICE OF MOTION FOR:	
	Debtor's Motion for Order: (1) Approving the Sale of Lenovo Inventory Free and Clear of Liens Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Section 363(b)(1) and (f) and Subject to Overbids and a Break-up Fee, Combined with Notice of Bidding Procedures, et al. (Specify name of Motion)	
	DATE: 12/18/2018 TIME: 2:00 pm COURTROOM: 303 PLACE: 3420 Twelfth Street	
Debtor(s)	Riverside, CA 92501	

- 1. TO (specify name): United States Trustee, Creditors, Parties in Interest, and their respective counsel
- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the following date and time and in the indicated courtroom, Movant in the abovecaptioned matter will move this court for an Order granting the relief sought as set forth in the Motion and accompanying supporting documents served and filed herewith. Said Motion is based upon the grounds set forth in the attached Motion and accompanying documents.
- 3. **Your rights may be affected**. You should read these papers carefully and discuss them with your attorney, if you have one. (If you do not have an attorney, you may wish to consult one.)

- 4. **Deadline for Opposition Papers:** This Motion is being heard on regular notice pursuant to LBR 9013-1. If you wish to oppose this Motion, you must file a written response with the court and serve a copy of it upon the Movant or Movant's attorney at the address set forth above no less than fourteen (14) days prior to the above hearing date. If you fail to file a written response to this Motion within such time period, the court may treat such failure as a waiver of your right to oppose the Motion and may grant the requested relief.
- 5. **Hearing Date Obtained Pursuant to Judge's Self-Calendaring Procedure:** The undersigned hereby verifies that the above hearing date and time were available for this type of Motion according to the judge's self-calendaring procedures.

Date: <u>11/27/2018</u>	SHULMAN HODGES & BASTIAN LLP Printed name of law firm
	/s/ Melissa Davis Lowe Signature
	Melissa Davis Lowe Printed name of attorney

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11	In re	Case No. 6:18-bk-18339-MH			
12	TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS & SERVICES, INC., a California	Chapter 11			
13	corporation,	DEBTOR AND DEBTOR IN POSSESSION'S MOTION FOR ORDER:			
14	Debtor.	(1) APPROVING THE SALE OF LENOVO			
15		INVENTORY FREE AND CLEAR OF LIENS PURSUANT TO BANKRUPTCY			
1617		CODE § 363(b)(1) AND SUBJECT TO OVERBIDS AND A BREAK-UP FEE, COMBINED WITH NOTICE OF			
18		BIDDING PROCEDURES AND REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE			
19		BIDDING PROCEDURES UTILIZED; AND (2) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF;			
20		MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND			
21		AUTHORITIES AND DECLARATION OF FRED ANAVIM IN SUPPORT THEREOF			
22		Hearing			
23		Date: December 18, 2018 Time: 2:00 p.m.			
2425		Place: Courtroom 303 3420 Twelfth Street Riverside, CA 92501			
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TO THE HONORABLE MARK D. HOULE, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE, THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE, AND OTHER PARTIES-IN-**INTEREST:**

possession herein ("Debtor") brings this Motion for an Order: (1) Approving the Sale of Lenovo

Inventory Free and Clear of Liens Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Section 363(b)(1) and (f) and

Subject to Overbids and a Break-up Fee, Combined with Notice of Bidding Procedures and Request

for Approval of the Bidding Procedures Utilized; and (2) Granting Related Relief ("Motion") and

Technology Solutions & Services, Inc., a California corporation, the debtor and debtor in

> I. **SUMMARY OF ARGUMENT**

in support of the Motion submits the following:

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The Debtor has received an offer to purchase approximately 9,000 non-working salvaged Lenovo computers, laptops and parts ("Assets") from IT Assets Partners, Inc. ("Buyer") for the sum of \$255,000.00 ("Purchase Price") subject to overbids. A true and correct copy of the Asset Purchase Agreement ("Agreement") for the purchase is attached to the Declaration of Fred Anavim ("Anavim Declaration") as **Exhibit 1** and a list of the Assets to be sold is attached to the Anavim Declaration as Exhibit 2.¹

The Assets are unencumbered but out of an abundance of caution, the Debtor seeks Court approval for the sale free and clear of all liens, claims and encumbrances. The sale of the Assets will result in proceeds of at least \$255,000.00 which will inure to the benefit of the Estate and its creditors. In the event of an overbid (the Debtor has been contacted by multiple potentially interested parties), the benefit to creditors will increase. If the sale is approved, the Estate will receive funds to help provide for a meaningful distribution to unsecured creditors.

Thus, based on good business reasons, Court approval of the sale contemplated herein will serve the best interests of the Estate and its creditors and must be granted as soon as possible so that the Debtor do not lose this favorable business opportunity.

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¹ Exhibit 2 is a summary list of the Assets. The full, complete and detailed inventory list of over 100 pages can be provided to any interested party upon request to Debtor's counsel, Melissa Lowe, at 949-340-3400 or mlowe@shbllp.com.

II. <u>BACKGROUND INFORMATION</u>

A. <u>Case Commencement</u>

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The Debtor filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of the United States Code Bankruptcy Code on October 2, 2018. This is a liquidating Chapter 11 case and on October 29, 2018, the Debtor filed its Disclosure Statement for Chapter 11 Liquidating Plan Proposed by the Debtor and the related Plan.

No request for the appointment of a trustee or examiner has been made in this case and no committee has been appointed.

B. Sale of Substantially All of the Debtor's Assets

The Debtor is a California corporation incorporated in 2003 and is a returns management company specializing in high-volume remanufacturing of in-warranty and out-of-warranty consumer electronics products.

Pursuant to an Order entered on October 24, 2018, the Court approved the Debtor's sale of substantially all of its assets to Valu Tech Outsourcing, LLC ("Valu Tech"). The sale to Valu Tech closed on November 1, 2018. Specifically excluded from the assets sold to Valu Tech were the Assets which are the subject of this Motion.

C. Secured Creditors

The Debtor's only secured creditor was Bank of America ("BOA") pursuant to a Loan Agreement entered into on June 13, 2013 and amended thereafter. BOA had a secured claim and blanket lien against the Debtor's property and assets in a total amount of approximately \$12,292,722.72 pursuant to the following UCC-1 filings: (1) UCC-1 filing No. 10-7248928778, filed on October 20, 2010; (2) UCC-1 filing No. 11-7278989133, filed on July 29, 2011; and, (3) UCC-1 filing No. 11-7283960592, filed on September 8, 2011.

BOA's lien was extinguished as a result of the sale to Valu Tech described above.

To the best of the Debtor's knowledge, there are no secured liens which attach to the Assets.

D. Terms of the Proposed Sale of the Assets

Subject to Court approval, the Debtor has received an offer from the Buyer for the purchase of the Assets as set forth in the Agreement and summarized below:

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Buyer:	IT Asset Partners, Inc., a California corporation, or its assigns 8966 Mason Ave, Chatsworth, CA 91311	
Purchase Price:	\$255,000.00. \$20,000.00 deposit to be paid within two (2) business days after the due diligence period has run.	
Due Diligence Period:	Buyer shall have until December 11, 2018 to complete its due diligence on the Assets.	
Closing:	To occur within two business days following entry of an order approving the sale.	
Assets Being Transferred:	All of Debtor's rights, title and interest in and to approximately 9,000 non-working salvaged Lenovo computers, laptops and parts as detailed in Exhibit 2 to the Anavim Declaration	
Bankruptcy Court Approval	The sale is subject to notice to creditors and approval by the Bankruptcy Court.	
Purchase Without Warranties	Purchase of the Assets will be on an as is-where is basis without warranties of any kind, expressed or implied, concerning the condition of the Assets or the quality of the title thereto, or any other matters relating to the Assets.	
Free and Clear of Liens and Encumbrances	The Assets shall be delivered to the Buyer free and clear of all liens, claims and encumbrances.	
Good Faith Finding	The proposed sale has been brought in good faith and has been negotiated on an "arms length" basis. The Debtor shall request such a finding pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Section 363(m) at the hearing on this Motion.	
Waiver of Rule 6004(h)	The Debtor requests that the Court waive the fourteen-day stay of the order approving the sale of the Assets under Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 6004(h) such that the sale of the Assets can close as soon as possible after entry of the Court order approving the Motion and the Agreement.	

E. Overbidding Procedures

The Debtor has determined it would benefit the Estate to permit all interested parties to receive information and bid for the Assets instead of selling to the Buyer on an exclusive basis. Accordingly, in order to obtain the highest and best offer for the Assets, the Debtor is utilizing, and seeks Court approval of, the following bidding procedures ("Bidding Procedures"):

- 1. Potential overbidder(s) must bid an initial amount of at least \$270,000. Minimum bid increments thereafter shall be \$10,000. The Debtor shall have sole discretion in determining which overbid is the best for the Estate and will seek approval from the Court of the same.
- 2. Overbids must be in writing and be received by the Debtor and the Debtor's counsel, Shulman Hodges & Bastian LLP to the attention of Melissa Lowe on or before 4:00 p.m. PST on December 14, 2018.

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- 3. Overbids must be accompanied by certified funds in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the overbid purchase price.

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4. The overbidder must also provide evidence of having sufficient specifically committed funds to complete the transaction, or a lending commitment for the bid amount and such other documentation relevant to the bidder's ability to qualify as the purchaser of the Assets and ability to close the sale and immediately and unconditionally pay the winning bid purchase price at closing.

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5. The overbidder must seek to acquire the Assets on terms and conditions not less favorable to the Estate than the terms and conditions to which the Buyer has agreed to purchase the Assets.

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6. All competing bids must acknowledge that the Assets is being sold on an "AS IS" basis without warranties of any kind, expressed or implied, being given by the Debtor, concerning the condition of the Assets or the quality of the title thereto, or any other matters relating to the Assets. The competing bid buyer must represent and warrant that he/she is purchasing the Assets as a result of their own investigations and are not buying the Assets pursuant to any representation made by any broker, agent, accountant, attorney or employee acting at the direction, or on the behalf of the Debtor. The competing bidder must acknowledge that he/she has inspected the Assets, and upon closing of escrow governed by the Agreement, the competing buyer forever waives, for himself/herself, their heirs, successors and assigns, all claims against the Debtor, its attorneys, agents and employees.

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7. If overbids are received, the final bidding round for the Assets shall be held at the hearing on the Motion in order to allow all potential bidders the opportunity to overbid and purchase the Assets. At the final bidding round, the Debtor or its counsel will, in the exercise of their business judgment and subject to Court approval, accept the bidder who has made the highest and best offer to purchase the Assets, consistent with the Bidding Procedures ("Successful Bidder").

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8. At the hearing on the Motion, the Debtor will seek entry of an order, inter alia, authorizing and approving the sale of the Assets to the Successful Bidder. The hearing on the Motion may be adjourned or rescheduled without notice other than by an ennouncement of the

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authorizing and approving the sale of the Assets to the Successful Bidder. The hearing on the Motion may be adjourned or rescheduled without notice other than by an announcement of the adjourned date at the hearing on the Motion.

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9. In the event the Successful Bidder fails to close on the sale of the Assets within the time parameters approved by the Court, the Debtor shall retain the Successful Bidder's Deposit and will be released from his obligation to sell the Assets to the Successful Bidder and the Debtor may then sell the Assets to the First Back-Up Bidder approved by the Court at the hearing on the Motion.

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10. In the event of a successful overbid, whether an initial overbid or a subsequent overbid, Buyer shall be paid a break-up fee of \$7,650 ("Break-Up Fee").

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F. <u>Tax Consequences of the Sale</u>

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The Debtor's previous accountant has advised that he does not believe any sales or income taxes will be owed on the sale of the Assets.

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III. <u>LEGAL BASIS FOR THE RELIEF SOUGHT</u>

A. The Court May Authorize the Sale When There is a Good Faith Purchaser

The Debtor, after notice and hearing, may sell property of the estate. 11 U.S.C. § 363(b). The standards to establish are that there is a sound business purpose for the sale, that the sale is in the best interests of the estate, i.e., the sale is for a fair and reasonable price, that there is accurate and reasonable notice to creditors and that the sale is made in good faith. *In re Wilde Horse Enterprises, Inc.*, 136 B.R. 830, 841 (Bankr. C.D. Cal. 1991); *In re Lionel Corp.*, 722 F.2d 1063, 1069 (2d Cir. 1983). Business justification would include the need to close a sale to one of very few serious bidders where an asset has been shopped and a delay could jeopardize the transaction. *See, e.g., In re Crowthers McCall Pattner, Inc.*, 114 B.R. 877, 885 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1990) (extreme difficulty finding a buyer justified merger when buyer found). The Debtor's proposed sale of the Assets meets the foregoing criteria.

1. <u>Sound Business Purpose</u>

The Ninth Circuit has adopted a flexible, case-by-case test to determine whether the business purpose for a proposed sale justifies disposition of property of the estate under Section 363(b). *In re Walter*, 83 B.R. 14 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1988). In *Walter*, the Ninth Circuit, adopting the reasoning of the Fifth Circuit in *In re Continental Air Lines, Inc.*, 780 F.2d 1223 (5th Cir. 1986), and the Second Circuit in *In re Lionel Corp.*, 722 F.2d 1063 (2d Cir. 1983), set forth the following standard to be applied under Bankruptcy Code Section 363(b):

Whether the proffered business justification is sufficient depends on the case. As the Second Circuit held in Lionel, the bankruptcy judge should consider all salient factors pertaining to the proceeding and, accordingly, act to further the diverse interests of the debtor, creditors and equity holders, alike. He might, for example, look to such relevant factors as the proportionate value of the assets to the estate as a whole, the amount of lapsed time since the filing, the likelihood that a plan of reorganization will be proposed and confirmed in the near future, the effect of the proposed disposition on future plans of reorganization, the proceeds to be obtained from the disposition vis-a-vis any appraisals of the property, which of the alternatives of use, sale or lease the proposal envisions and, most importantly perhaps, whether the asset is increasingly or decreasing in value. This list is not intended to be exclusive, but merely to provide guidance to the bankruptcy judge.

Walter, 83 B.R. at 19-20 (quoting Continental, 780 F.2d at 1226).

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Here, the facts surrounding the sale of the Assets support the Debtor's business decision that the proposed sale is in the best interest of the Estate and its creditors. The Debtor is no longer operating and needs to sell the remainder of its assets which were excluded from the sale to Valu Tech. The sale of the Assets will result in proceeds to the Estate of at least \$255,000.00 which will help provide a meaningful distribution to unsecured creditors.

2. The Sale Serves the Best Interests of the Estate and Creditors

The Debtor believes that it would be in the best interest of the Estate and its creditors to sell the Assets to the Buyer subject to overbids. The Debtor does not want to lose this beneficial business opportunity. Thus, the Debtor has made a business decision that it is in the best interest of the creditors of the Estate that this Motion be approved.

The Debtor respectfully submits that, if this Court applies the good business reason standard suggested by the Second Circuit in *Lionel*, the sale should be approved.

3. Accurate and Reasonable Notice

It is expected that notice of this Motion will satisfy the requirements for accurate and reasonable notice.

The notice requirements for sales are set forth in Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure ("FRBP") 6004 and 2002. The notice must include the time and place of any public sale, the terms and conditions of any private sale, the time fixed for filing on objections and a general description of the property. Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(c)(1).

In compliance with FRBP 2002 and Bankruptcy Code Section 102(1), the Debtor shall provide notice of the proposed sale of the Assets to creditors and parties in interest. The Notice of Motion will include, *inter alia*, a summary of the terms and conditions of the proposed sale, the time fixed for filing objections, and a general description of the Assets in compliance with LBR 6004. The Debtor submits that the notice requirements will have been satisfied, thereby allowing creditors and parties in interest an opportunity to object to the sale. Hence, no further notice should be necessary.

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4. The Sale is Made in Good Faith

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The proposed sale has been brought in good faith and has been negotiated on an "arms length" basis.

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The court, in *Wilde Horse Enterprises*, set forth the factors in considering whether a transaction is in good faith. The court stated:

6 7 'Good faith' encompasses fair value, and further speaks to the integrity of the transaction. Typical 'bad faith' or misconduct, would include collusion between the seller and buyer, or any attempt to take unfair advantage of other potential purchasers. . . . And, with respect to making such determinations, the court and creditors must be provided with sufficient information to allow them to take a position on the proposed sale.

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Id. at 842 (citations omitted).

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In the present case, the negotiation of the proposed sale was an arms-length transaction. Neither the Buyer nor any of the parties working on the Buyer's behalf are (1) insiders of the Debtor

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as the term "insider" is defined by Bankruptcy Code section 101(31), nor (2) affiliates of the Debtor

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to communicate with or discourage other bidders, if any, from making an offer to purchase the

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marketing the proposed sale of the Assets.

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In addition, Lenovo has advised Debtor's counsel that it approves of the Buyer. Specifically, Lenovo advises that it knows the Buyer and is comfortable that the Buyer will adequately remove all personal information from the Assets before transferring or disposing of them and that the Buyer

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will not cause any environmental issues in its disposition of the Assets.

requests the Court make such a finding pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Section 363(m).

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As set forth in the Notice of the Motion, the creditors will have been provided with sufficient notice of the sale. Accordingly, the sale is in good faith and should be approved. The Debtor

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Thus, based on good business reasons, the Debtor submits that approval of the sale contemplated herein will serve the best interests of the Estate and its creditors and should be granted so that the Debtor do not lose this favorable business opportunity.

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B. The Proposed Sale Should be Allowed Free and Clear of Liens

Bankruptcy Code Section 363(f) allows a trustee or debtor in possession to sell property of the bankruptcy estate "free and clear of any interest in such property of an entity," if any one of the following five conditions is met:

- (1) applicable non-bankruptcy law permits a sale of such property free and clear of such interest;
 - (2) such entity consents;
- (3) such interest is a lien and the price at which such property is to be sold is greater than the aggregate value of all liens on such property;
 - (4) such interest is in bona fide dispute; or
- (5) such entity could be compelled, in a legal or equitable proceeding, to accept money satisfaction of such interest.

11 U.S.C. § 363(f).

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The Debtor is not aware of any liens that attach to the Assets. Out of an abundance of caution, however, the Debtor requests that the sale be approved free and clear of all liens, claims and interests.

C. The Court May Approve the Bidding Procedures

Implementing the Bidding Procedures is an action outside of the ordinary course of the business. Bankruptcy Code Section 363(b)(1) provides that a trustee "after notice and hearing, may use, sell or lease, other than in the ordinary course of business, property of the estate." 11 U.S.C. § 363(b)(1). Furthermore, under Bankruptcy Code Section 105(a), "[t]he court may issue any order, process, or judgment that is necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this title." 11 U.S.C. § 105(a). Thus, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 363(b)(1) and 105(a), this Court may approve the Bidding Procedures, which assist the Debtor to obtain the best possible price on the best possible terms for the Assets.

D. The Break-up Fee is Appropriate

As a part of the proposed agreement with the Buyer for the purchase of the Assets, the Buyer has required that it be paid the \$7,650 Break-Up Fee (3% of the Purchase Price) in the event that an overbid situation occurs and the Buyer is not the Successful Bidder.

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As stated by the court in *In re Financial News Network*, 126 B.R. 152 (D.C., S.D.N.Y. 1991) at 154, "A break-up fee is an incentive payment to an unsuccessful bidder who placed the estate property in a sales configuration mode . . . to attract other bidders to the auction." In addition, as stated by the District Court in *In re Integrated Resources, Inc.*, 147 B.R. 650, at 659-660 (D.C., S.D.N.Y. 1992).

Break-up fees are important tools to encourage bidding and to maximize the value of the debtor's assets. The usual rule is that if break-up fees encourage bidding, they are enforceable; if they stifle bidding they are not enforceable. In fact, because the directors of a corporation have a duty to encourage bidding, break-up fees can be necessary to discharge the director's duties to maximize value. (citing CRTF Corp. v. Federated Department Stores, Inc., 683 F.Supp. 422, 441 (S.D. N.Y. 1988)).

Moreover, as stated in *In re 995 Fifth Avenue Assocs., L.P.,* 96 B.R. 24, 29 (Bankr. S.D. N.Y. 1989):

Outside bankruptcy, the business judgment rule normally applies to the board's use of a defensive strategy, such as a break-up fee. . . In assessing the incentive effect of the break-up fee, a court should determine whether the dollar amount of the fee is so substantial that it has a chilling affect on other prospective bidders. In making this determination, the court should consider whether the proposed acquiror attracted other bidders or simply received a potential windfall. Break-up fees and other strategies may be legitimately necessary to convince a white knight to enter the bidding by providing some form of compensation for the risks it is undertaking . . .

A break-up fee should constitute a fair and reasonable percentage of the proposed purchase price, and should be reasonably related to the risk, effort, and expenses of the prospective purchaser. When reasonable in relation to the bidder's efforts and to the magnitude of the transaction, break-up fees are generally permissible.

In this case, the Debtor readily acknowledges that a significant amount of time, effort and expense will have been incurred by the Buyer in performing its due diligence and negotiating the terms of the sale. The Break-Up Fee represents 3% of the Purchase Price. It is designed to compensate the Buyer for the risks it is undertaking in the transaction, including the attorneys' fees and costs incurred by the Buyer in negotiating the purchase of the Assets, reviewing the moving papers and any opposition thereto, and appearing at any hearing on this Sale Motion. More importantly, the Break-Up Fee is only payable in the event that there is a successful overbid.

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The Court should note that the Break-Up Fee is only payable in the event that the sale closes and the Buyer is not the Successful Bidder, thereby distinguishing these facts from those presented in In re Hup Industries, Inc., 140 B.R. 191 (Bankr. N.D. Ohio 1992), wherein the court did not approve the break-up fee arrangement when the party proposed to receive the break-up fee was to receive the same regardless of the outcome of the proposed sale in the event overbidding took place.

Thus, the Trustee requests the Court approve the Break-Up Fee proposed to be paid to the Buyer in the event the sale closes and the Buyer is not the purchaser.

Ε. Waiver of Rules 6004 and 6006

Notwithstanding the possible applicability of 6004 and 6006 of the Bankruptcy Rules or otherwise, the Debtor requests the relief sought by this Motion be immediately effective and enforceable upon entry of the order requested hereby. In order to allow the immediate realization of value for the Assets, the Debtor requests that any order grating this Motion is effective immediately and not subject to the 14-day stay imposed by Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d).

IV. CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, based upon the foregoing, the Debtor respectfully submits that good cause exists for granting the Motion and requests that the Court enter an order:

- 1. Approving the Bidding Procedures set forth herein.
- 2. Authorizing the Debtor to sell the Assets to the Buyer pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement.
- 3. Finding that notice of the transactions contemplated herein was good and sufficient and was provided timely to all creditors and parties-in-interest.
- 4. Authorizing the sale of the Assets free and clear of all liens, claims and encumbrances.
- 5. Authorizing the Debtor to sign any and all documents convenient and necessary in pursuit of the sale of the Assets as set forth above including but not limited to, the Agreement.
 - 6. Authoring payment of the Break-up Fee to the Buyer if it is not the successful bidder.
- 7. A determination by the Court that the Buyer is a good faith purchaser and is entitled to the protections of Bankruptcy Code Section 363(m).

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8. 1 Waiving the fourteen day stay of the order approving the sale of the Assets under 2 Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 6004(h) and 6006(d). 3 9. For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper under the circumstances of this case. 4 5 Respectfully submitted, 6 Dated: November 27, 2018 SHULMAN HODGES & BASTIAN LLP 7 /s/ Melissa Davis Lowe
Leonard M. Shulman 8 By: 9 Melissa Davis Lowe Proposed Attorneys for Debtor and Debtor in 10 Possession 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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DECLARATION

DECLARATION OF FRED ANAVIM

I, Fred Anavim, declare as follows:

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- 1. I am the Controller of Technology Solutions & Services, Inc., a California corporation, the debtor and debtor-in-possession (the "Debtor" or "TSSI"), and am one of the persons responsible for the administration of the Debtor. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein and could, if called as a witness, competently testify thereto. I am also personally familiar with, and am custodian of, the records of the Debtor as they pertain to the financial records set forth herein. The records of the Debtor are made by employees or agents of the Debtor who report to me and who have a business duty to enter the records of the Debtor accurately and at or near the time of the event which they record.
- 2. I make this Declaration in support of the Debtor's Motion for an Order: (1) Approving the Sale of Lenovo Inventory Free and Clear of Liens Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Section 363(b)(1) and (f) and Subject to Overbids and a Break-up Fee, Combined with Notice of Bidding Procedures and Request for Approval of the Bidding Procedures Utilized; and (2) Granting Related Relief ("Motion"). Unless otherwise noted, capitalized terms herein have the meaning as set forth in the Motion.
- 3. The Debtor is a California corporation incorporated in 2003 and is a returns management company specializing in high-volume remanufacturing of in-warranty and out-of-warranty consumer electronics products.
- 4. Pursuant to an Order entered on October 24, 2018, the Court approved the Debtor's sale of substantially all of its assets to Valu Tech Outsourcing, LLC ("Valu Tech"). The sale to Valu Tech closed on November 1, 2018. Specifically excluded from the assets sold to Valu Tech were the Assets which are the subject of this Motion. The Assets to be sold include approximately 9,000 non-working salvaged Lenovo computers, laptops and parts summarized in **Exhibit 2** hereto.
- 5. The Debtor's only secured creditor was Bank of America ("BOA") pursuant to a Loan Agreement entered into on June 13, 2013 and amended thereafter. BOA had a secured claim and blanket lien against the Debtor's property and assets in a total amount of approximately \$12,292,722.72 pursuant to the following UCC-1 filings: (1) UCC-1 filing No. 10-7248928778,

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ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This Asset Purchase Agreement (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), dated as of November ____, 2018, is entered into by and between Technology Solutions & Services, Inc., a California corporation ("<u>Seller</u>" or "<u>Debtor</u>"), and IT Asset Partners, Inc., a California corporation ("<u>Buyer</u>"). Seller and Buyer are each sometimes referred to herein individually as a "<u>Party</u>" and collectively as the "Parties.

RECITALS:

- A. On October 2, 2018, Seller filed a voluntary petition for relief under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California, Riverside Division (the "Bankruptcy Court"), commencing Case No. 6:18-bk-18339-MH ("Bankruptcy Case").
- B. Pursuant to an Order entered on October 24, 2018, the Bankruptcy Court approved the Debtor's sale of substantially all of its assets to Valu Tech Outsourcing, LLC ("<u>Valu Tech</u>"). The sale to Valu Tech closed on November 1, 2018. Specifically excluded from the assets sold to Valu Tech were the Purchased Assets which are the subject of this Agreement.
- C. The Parties intend to effectuate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement through a sale of the Purchased Assets approved by the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to Section 363 of Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

In consideration of the mutual covenants, promises, agreements, representations and warranties contained in this Agreement, the Parties do hereby covenant, promise, agree, represent and warrant as follows:

ARTICLE I - PURCHASE AND SALE

1.1 <u>Purchase and Sale of Assets.</u> Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, on the Closing, Seller shall sell, assign, transfer, convey and deliver to Buyer, and Buyer shall purchase, acquire and accept from Seller, all of Seller's rights, title and interest in and to the approximate 9,000 non-working salvaged Lenovo computers, laptops and parts as listed in Exhibit 1.1 hereto (the "<u>Purchased Assets</u>").

1.2 Purchase Price.

- (a) The aggregate consideration for the Purchased Assets shall be Two Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$255,000.00) ("Purchase Price").
- (b) A deposit of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) ("<u>Deposit</u>") shall be paid to the Debtor's counsel's client trust account by no later than two (2) business days after the due diligence period has run in immediately available, good funds.
- (c) On the Closing, the Buyer shall pay the remainder of the Purchase Price to the Debtor in immediately available, good funds.

[SIGNATURE PAGE TO ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT]

- 1.3 <u>Due Diligence Period</u>. Buyer shall have until December 11, 2018 to complete its due diligence of the Purchased Assets. After such period has expired, the Deposit will not be refunded to the Buyer unless it is not the successful bidder for the assets at the hearing on the Sale Motion (defined below).
- 1.4 <u>Transfer Tax Obligations</u>. All federal, state, local or foreign sales, use, transfer or similar taxes payable in connection with the sale of the Purchased Assets to Buyer, if any, shall be paid by Buyer to the appropriate taxing authorities as and when due.

ARTICLE II - CLOSING

- 2.1 <u>Time, Date and Place</u>. The closing of the purchase and sale of the Purchased Assets and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement (referred to throughout this Agreement as the "<u>Closing</u>") shall take place at the offices of Shulman, Hodges & Bastian LLP, 100 Spectrum Center Drive, Suite 600, Irvine, California 92618 or remotely via the exchange of executed documents and other deliverables by the Parties. The Closing shall be held within two (2) business days after the Sale Approval Order is entered by the Bankruptcy Court.
- 2.2 <u>Deliveries at Closing.</u> At the Closing the Buyer shall pay the remainder of the Purchase Price to the Seller in Good Funds and the Seller shall provide to the Buyer an executed Bill of Sale for the Purchased Assets in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 2.1.
- 2.3 <u>Buyer's Obligation to Remove Purchased Assets.</u> The Purchased Assets are located at Avenida Rosa Ma. Y Fuentes Avenue number 7050, within the Industrial Facility named Complejo Industrial Fuentes, in Ciudad Juárez Chihuahua. Buyer is solely responsible, at Buyer's cost and expense to pick-up and remove the Purchased Assets within five (5) business days of Closing. Buyer shall arrange with Seller a specific time for pick-up of the Purchased Assets and related logistical matters, concurrent with the Closing. All right, title, interest and risk of loss shall pass to the Buyer upon the Buyer's picking up the Purchased Assets.
- 2.4 <u>Closing Costs.</u> All expenses incurred by Seller or Buyer with respect to the consummation of the transaction contemplated by this Contract, are to be borne and paid exclusively by the Party incurring same.

ARTICLE III - REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLER

Seller represents and warrants to Buyer as of the date hereof and as of the Closing each of the following

3.1 <u>Authorization</u>. Subject to approval of the Bankruptcy Court, Seller has the legal capacity, right, power, and authority to enter into this Agreement, perform its obligations hereunder, and consummation the transactions contemplated hereby. Subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court, Seller has the full right, power and authority to execute, acknowledge and deliver this Agreement, perform its obligations hereunder, and consummate the transactions contemplated hereby. Upon due execution hereof by Seller, this Agreement shall constitute, subject to the Bankruptcy Court's entry of the Sale Approval Order, and any other necessary order to close the sale of the Purchased Assets, the valid and legally binding obligations of Seller, enforceable against Seller in accordance with their respective terms and conditions, subject to

applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, moratorium, or other similar laws relating to creditors' rights and general principles of equity.

- 3.2 <u>Brokers</u>. No broker, finder, or investment banker is entitled to any brokerage, finder's, or other fee or commission in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of Seller.
- 3.3 <u>Title to Purchased Assets</u>. At the Closing, Seller will have, and subject to the Sale Approval Order will transfer to Buyer, good and valid title to, or the valid and enforceable right to use, the Purchased Assets.
- 3.4 <u>Litigation; Decrees</u>. There is no litigation, pending or, to the knowledge of Seller, threatened, that: (a) would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on Seller, or (b) challenges the validity or enforceability of this Agreement or seeks to enjoin or prohibit consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.
- 3.5 <u>Compliance with Laws</u>. Seller has not received any written notice of, or been charged with, the violation of any law, except for any such violation that is not material to Seller.

ARTICLE IV - REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS OF BUYER

Buyer represents and warrants to Seller as of the date hereof and as of the Closing each of the following:

- 4.1 <u>Organization, Good Standing, and Corporate Power</u>. Buyer is duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the State of its formation. Buyer has the limited liability company power to enter into, execute and deliver this Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby.
- 4.2 <u>Authorization of Agreement</u>. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the performance by Buyer of its obligations and agreements under this Agreement have been duly and validly authorized by all necessary corporate actions. Buyer has taken all other corporate actions required on its part by law in order to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby.
- 4.3 Execution, Delivery and Performance. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by Buyer and constitutes the valid and binding obligation of the Buyer and, subject to the approval of the Bankruptcy Court and the entry of the Sale Approval Order, is enforceable against the Buyer in accordance with its terms, except as may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws of general application which may affect the enforcement of creditors rights generally and by general equitable principles.
- 4.4 <u>Effect of Agreement</u>. The execution and delivery by Buyer of this Agreement, the purchase by Buyer of the Purchased Assets, the performance by Buyer of its obligations pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, do not and will not, with or without the giving of notice or lapse of time, or both: (a) violate or conflict with any term of the articles of incorporation or other organizational documents of Buyer; (b) violate any provision of law, statute, rule, regulation or executive order to which Buyer or any of its assets or properties is subject which would have a material adverse effect on Buyer; or

- (c) violate any judgment, order, writ or decree of any court or administrative body applicable to Buyer or any of its assets or properties.
- 4.5 <u>Buyer's Closing Funds</u>. On or before the Closing, Buyer shall have the necessary funds immediately available to consummate the transaction contemplated by this Agreement and there is no financing contingency with respect to Buyer's obligations in connection with this transaction.
- 4.6 <u>Brokers</u>. No broker, finder, or investment banker is entitled to any brokerage, finder's, or other fee or commission in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of Buyer.
- Disclaimer of Warranties; "AS-IS AND WHERE-IS" Conveyance. 4.7 WARRANTS AND ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES WITH SELLER THAT EXCEPT AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH HEREIN BUYER IS PURCHASING THE PURCHASED ASSETS IN AN "AS-IS AND WHERE-IS" CONDITION WITH ALL FAULTS AND SPECIFICALLY AND EXPRESSLY WITHOUT ANY WARRANTIES, REPRESENTATIONS OR GUARANTEES, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, OF ANY KIND, NATURE OF OR ON BEHALF OF SELLER. Seller acknowledges that Buyer has not relied and is not relying upon any information, document, sales brochure, due diligence, information package or other literature, map or sketch, projection, pro forma statement, representation, guarantee or warranty (whether express or implied, or oral or written, material or immaterial) that may have been given by or made by or on behalf of or omitted by Seller, its agents, representatives, consultants and/or attorneys with respect to the quality, nature, adequacy or physical condition of the Purchased Assets other than as expressly set forth herein. Buyer acknowledges that it is Buyer's responsibility to make such legal, factual and other inquiries and investigations as Buyer deems necessary, desirable or appropriate with respect to the Purchased Assets. Such inquiries and investigations may include, but shall not be limited to, the physical components of all portions of the Purchased Assets and the condition of the Purchased Assets. BUYER ACKNOWLEDGES, AND AGREES WITH SELLER THAT WITH RESPECT TO THE PURCHASED ASSETS, OTHER THAN AS EXPRESSLY SET FORTH HEREIN, SELLER HAS NOT AND DOES NOT AND WILL NOT MAKE ANY WARRANTIES OR REPRESENTATION, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, OR ARISING BY OPERATION OF LAW INCLUDING, BUT IN NO WAY LIMITED TO, ANY WARRANTY OF CONDITION, MERCHANTABILITY, HABITABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR USE OR WITH RESPECT TO THE VALUE, PROFITABILITY OR MARKETABILITY OF THE PURCHASED ASSETS OR WITH RESPECT TO COMPLIANCE OF THE PURCHASED ASSETS WITH ANY ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION LAW, RULE OR REGULATION, ORDER OR REQUIREMENT INCLUDING THOSE PERTAINING TO THE HANDLING, GENERATING, TREATING, STORING OR DISPOSING OF ANY HAZARDOUS WASTE OR SUBSTANCE. This Article IV shall survive Closing.

ARTICLE V - CLOSING CONDITIONS

5.1 <u>Seller's Conditions to Close</u>. Seller's obligation to close the transactions contemplated hereby at the Closing shall be subject to the complete satisfaction and fulfillment of all of the following conditions precedent, any or all of which may be waived in whole or in part

by Seller (but no such waiver of any such condition precedent shall be or constitute a waiver of any covenant, promise, agreement, representation or warranty made by Buyer in this Agreement):

- (a) All representations and warranties made by Buyer in this Agreement shall be complete and accurate at and as of the Closing;
- (b) All covenants, promises and agreements made by Buyer in this Agreement and all other actions required to be performed or complied with by Buyer under this Agreement prior to or at the Closing shall have been fully performed or complied with by Buyer.
- 5.2 <u>Buyer's Conditions to Close</u>. Buyer's obligation to close the transactions contemplated hereby at the Closing shall be subject to the complete satisfaction and fulfillment of all of the following conditions precedent, any or all of which may be waived in whole or in part by Buyer (but no such waiver of any such condition precedent shall be or constitute a waiver of any covenant, promise, agreement, representation or warranty made by Seller in this Agreement):
- (a) All representations and warranties made by Seller in this Agreement shall be complete and accurate at and as of the Closing;
- (b) All covenants, promises and agreements made by Seller in this Agreement and all other actions required to be performed or complied with by Seller under this Agreement prior to or at the Closing shall have been fully performed or complied with by Seller;
- (c) No fact, circumstance, occurrence, change, or event shall have occurred since the date of this Agreement that, individually or in the aggregate, has had or would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Seller or Seller's ability to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby.
- 5.3 <u>Mutual Conditions to Close</u>. The obligations of the Parties to close the transactions contemplated hereby at the Closing shall be subject to the complete satisfaction and fulfillment of all of the following conditions precedent (to applicability of any or all of which to a Party may be waived in whole or in part by such Party (but no such waiver of any such condition precedent shall be or constitute a waiver of any covenant, promise, agreement, representation or warranty made by any other Party in this Agreement):
- (a) The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Sale Approval Order as contemplated by and defined in <u>Section 6.1</u> below; and
- (b) No suit, action, or other legal proceeding that is not stayed by the Bankruptcy Court shall be pending before any governmental authority seeking or threatening to restrain or prohibit the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, or seeking to obtain substantial damages in respect thereof, or involving a claim that consummation thereof would result in the violation of any law, decree or regulation of governmental authority having appropriate jurisdiction.

ARTICLE VI - BANKRUPTCY COVENANTS

- 6.1 <u>Entry of Sale Approval Order</u>. No later than five (5) business days after execution of this Agreement by the parties hereto, Seller shall file a motion reasonably acceptable to Buyer (the "<u>Sale Motion</u>") with the Bankruptcy Court seeking entry of an order which shall include the following provisions (the "<u>Sale Approval Order</u>"):
- (a) approving the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the sale of the Purchased Assets to Buyer;
- (b) holding that the sale of the Purchased Assets to Buyer shall be free and clear of all liens, claims, interests, and encumbrances, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §363;
- (c) finding that notice of the transactions contemplated hereby and of the terms of this Agreement were good and sufficient and were provided timely to all creditors and parties-in-interest, including any and all creditors holding liens or encumbrances on the Purchased Assets;
- (d) authorizing and directing Seller to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and to comply in all respects with the terms of this Agreement;
- (e) providing for overbids for the Purchased Assets at an initial overbid amount of \$270,000.00 and incremental bid amounts thereafter of \$10,000.00;
- (f) providing for a break-up fee of \$7,650.00 to the Buyer if it is not the successful bidder.
- 6.2 <u>Substantial Contribution</u>. Seller shall use its best efforts to cause the Bankruptcy Court to enter the Sale Approval Order.

ARTICLE VII - TERMINATION

- 7.1 <u>Grounds for Termination</u>. This Agreement may be terminated and the transactions contemplated hereby may be abandoned at any time prior to the Closing:
 - (a) by mutual written agreement of Buyer and Seller;
- (b) by Buyer, upon written notice to Seller, for any reason, if the due diligence period has not expired;
- (c) by Seller upon written notice to Buyer, if (i) Buyer has breached or failed to perform any of its covenants or other agreements contained in this Agreement or (ii) there exists a breach of any representation or warranty of Buyer contained in this Agreement;
- (d) by Buyer upon written notice to Seller, if (i) Seller has breached or failed to perform any of its covenants or other agreements contained in this Agreement or (ii) there exists a breach of any representation or warranty of Seller contained in this Agreement.

7.2 <u>Effect of Termination</u>. If any Party terminates this Agreement pursuant to <u>Section 7.1</u>, this Agreement shall be of no further force or effect and no Party shall have any liability to any other party hereunder; provided, however, that if the due diligence period has run, the Seller shall be entitled to retain the Buyer's Deposit.

ARTICLE VIII - MISCELLANEOUS

- 8.1 <u>Assignment</u>. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, and shall be binding upon the Parties, and each of them, and their respective successors, successor trustees, assigns, heirs, partners, agents, officers, corporations, partnerships, partners, shareholders, representatives, and each of them.
- 8.2 <u>Amendment and Modification; Waiver</u>. This Agreement may be amended and modified only by a written agreement signed by all of the Parties specifically acknowledging and approving of the modification.
- 8.3 Governing Law. This Agreement is made pursuant to, and shall be governed by and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California and the United States Bankruptcy Code. Should any dispute arise regarding this Agreement, the Bankruptcy Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction to resolve any such disputes. Further, if a dispute arises, such dispute may initially be resolved through any mediation program pending in the Bankruptcy Court.
- 8.4 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. A signed copy of this Agreement delivered by facsimile, e-mail, or other means of electronic transmission shall have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Agreement.
- 8.5 <u>Headings</u>. The section and subsection headings contained in this Agreement are included for convenience only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- 8.6 <u>Severability</u>. If any immaterial provision of this Agreement is held, determined or adjudicated to be invalid, unenforceable or void for any reason, each such provision shall be severed from the remaining portions of this Agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of such remaining material provisions.
- 8.7 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding and agreement between the Parties concerning the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements, understandings, terms, conditions and representations, written or oral, made by any of the Parties or their agents, concerning the matters covered by this Agreement.
- 8.8 <u>Attorneys' Fees.</u> In the event of any action or suit based upon or arising out of any alleged breach of any Party of any representation, warranty, covenant or agreement contained in this Agreement, the prevailing Party will be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and other costs of such action or suit from the non-prevailing Party.

- 8.9 <u>No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. Nothing in this Agreement shall confer any rights upon any person or entity other than the parties hereto (except any permitted successors or assigns).
- 8.10 <u>Time is of the Essence</u>. Time is of the essence in this Agreement, and all of the terms, covenants and conditions hereof.

The Parties are signing this Agreement effective as of the date first written above.

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Exhibit 1.1

Inventory of Purchased Assets

LENOVO AsIs	QTY
ALL IN ONE	1232
18.5"	9
19.5"	113
20"	5
21.5"	427
23"	238
23"	67
23.8"	107
27"	254
29"	12
DESKTOP	627
EMPTY CASE	351
DKT	276
MONITOR	61
19"	2
19.5"	2
21.5"	16
22"	2
23"	17
23.8"	12
24"	1
27"	7
28"	2
NOTEBOOK	5621
10.1"	226
11.6"	1026
12.0"	82
12.5"	54
13.3"	501
13.9"	73
14.0"	974
15.6"	2489
17.3"	164
8.0''	19
NO CONFIG	13
SMARTHPHONE	67
10.1"	39
6.4"	1
6.98"	3
8.0"	24
TABLET	1437
10.1"	837
10.3"	1

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Exhibit 2.1

Bill of Sale

Bill of Sale

THIS BILL OF SALE (this "Bill of Sale") is made and entered into as of ______, 2018, by and between Technology Solutions & Services, Inc., a California corporation ("Seller"), IT Asset Partners, Inc., a California corporation ("Buyer").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Seller has agreed to sell, assign, convey, transfer and deliver, all of its right, title and interest in and to the Purchased Assets identified and defined in that certain Asset Purchase Agreement by and between Seller and Buyer, dated as of ________, 2018 (the "Purchase Agreement"), and Buyer has agreed to purchase and acquire such Purchased Assets from Seller.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, Seller and Purchaser hereby agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Defined Terms</u>. Capitalized terms which are used but not defined in this Bill of Sale shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Purchase Agreement.
- 2. <u>Assignment</u>. Seller hereby sells, assigns, transfers and delivers to Buyer, all of its right, title and interest of every conceivable kind or character whatsoever, whether tangible or intangible, in and to the Purchased Assets. Seller covenants and agrees that it will at any time and from time to time do, execute, acknowledge and deliver any and all other acts, assignments, transfers, conveyances, powers of attorney or other instruments that Buyer reasonably deems necessary or proper to carry out the assignment and conveyance intended to be made hereunder. This Bill of Sale shall be binding upon Seller and its successors and assigns and shall inure to the benefit of Buyer and its successors and assigns.
- 3. <u>Terms of the Purchase Agreement</u>. The terms of the Purchase Agreement, including, but not limited to, the representations, warranties, covenants, agreements and indemnities are incorporated herein by this reference. The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that the representations, warranties, covenants, agreements and indemnities contained in the Purchase Agreement shall not be superseded hereby but shall remain in full force and effect to the full extent provided therein.
- 4. <u>Binding Effect; Assignment</u>. This Bill of Sale and all of the provisions hereof shall be binding upon Seller and Buyer and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 5. <u>No Third Party Beneficiary</u>. Nothing in this Bill of Sale is intended to confer upon any other person except Buyer and Seller any rights or remedies hereunder or shall create any third party beneficiary rights in any person.
- 6. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Bill of Sale shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California (regardless of the laws that might otherwise govern under applicable principles of conflicts of law).

- 7. <u>Construction</u>. This Bill of Sale is delivered pursuant to and is subject to the terms of the Purchase Agreement. In the event of any conflict or ambiguity between the terms of the Purchase Agreement and the terms of this Bill of Sale, the terms of the Purchase Agreement shall control.
- 8. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Bill of Sale may be executed by the parties hereto individually or in any combination, in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which shall together constitute one and the same instrument. In the event that any signature to this Bill of Sale or any amendment hereto is delivered by facsimile transmission or by e-mail delivery of a ".pdf" format data file, such signature shall create a valid and binding obligation of the party executing (or on whose behalf such signature is executed) with the same force and effect as if such facsimile or ".pdf" signature page were an original thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Bill of Sale has been duly executed and delivered as of the date first written above.

Seller:					
TECHNOI INC.	LOGY S	OLUTION	IS &	SERVI	CES,
Ву:					
Name:					
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LENOVO AsIs	QTY
ALL IN ONE	1232
18.5"	9
19.5"	113
20"	5
21.5"	427
23"	238
23"	67
23.8"	107
27"	254
29"	12
DESKTOP	627
EMPTY CASE	351
DKT	276
MONITOR	61
19"	2
19.5"	2
21.5"	16
22"	2
23"	17
23.8"	12
24"	1
27"	7
28"	2
NOTEBOOK	5621
10.1"	226
11.6"	1026
12.0"	82
12.5"	54
13.3"	501
13.9"	73
14.0"	974
15.6"	2489
17.3"	164
8.0''	19
NO CONFIG	13
SMARTHPHONE	67
10.1"	39
6.4"	1
6.98"	3
8.0''	24
TABLET	1437
10.1"	837
10.3"	1

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