# **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

## CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): February 12, 2023

# **Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp.**

(Exa	ect name of registrant as specified	in its charter)
Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	<b>001-40793</b> (Commission File Number)	<b>87-1309280</b> (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
515 Madison Avenue, 8th Floor – Suite New York, New York (Address of principal executive office:		10022 (Zip Code)
(Reg	(646) 908-2659 istrant's telephone number, includ	ing area code)
(Former 1	N/A name or former address, if change	d since last report)
Check the appropriate box below if the Form following provisions:	8-K is intended to simultaneousl	y satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the
☑ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under	the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.4	125)
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☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Ru	tle 14d-2(b) under the Exchange A	act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Ru	ile 13e-4(c) under the Exchange A	act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act	i:	
Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Units, each consisting of one Class A Ordinary Share and one half of one Redeemable Warrant	AEHAU	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Class A Ordinary Share, par value \$0.0001 per	АЕНА	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Warrants, each warrant exercisable for one Class A Ordinary Share at an exercise price of \$11.50	AEHAW	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an en chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of		ned in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this ).
Emerging growth company ⊠		
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark or revised financial accounting standards provided pursu		to use the extended transition period for complying with any new age Act. $\square$

## Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 31, 2022, Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation ("Aesther") entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among Aesther, AHAC Merger Sub, Inc., a Delaware corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Aesther ("Merger Sub"), Aesther Healthcare Sponsor, LLC, Aesther's sponsor (the "Sponsor"), in its capacity as purchaser representative, Ocean Biomedical, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Ocean Biomedical"), and Dr. Chirinjeev Kathuria, in his capacity as seller representative (as may be amended and/or restated from time to time, the "Merger Agreement"), pursuant to which, among other things, the parties will effect the merger of Merger Sub with and into Ocean Biomedical, with Ocean Biomedical continuing as the surviving entity (the "Merger"), as a result of which all of the issued and outstanding capital stock of Ocean Biomedical shall be exchanged for shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of Aesther (the "Share Exchange") subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, with Ocean Biomedical surviving the Share Exchange as a wholly owned subsidiary of Aesther (the Share Exchange and the other transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, together, the "Transaction").

#### **Backstop Agreement**

On February 10, 2023, Aesther and Ocean Biomedical entered into an amended and restated OTC Equity Prepaid Forward Transaction (the "Original A&R Backstop Agreement") with Vellar Opportunity Fund SPV LLC – Series 3 ("Vellar"), a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 10.1 to Aesther's current report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on February 10, 2023 and is incorporated herein by reference.

On February 12, 2023, Aesther, Ocean Biomedical and Vellar again amended and restated the Original Backstop Agreement (the "<u>Definitive A&R Backstop Agreement</u>"), a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 10.1</u> and is incorporated herein by reference, to increase the maximum number of shares Vellar may purchase under the Definitive A&R Backstop Agreement from 6,000,000 to 8,000,000. In addition, in connection with the closing certain vendors have deferred agreed to defer transaction expenses of approximately \$4,374,646.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This filing contains certain statements that are not historical facts and are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the federal securities laws with respect to the proposed Transaction between Aesther and Ocean Biomedical, including without limitation statements regarding the anticipated benefits of the proposed Transaction, the anticipated timing of the proposed Transaction, the implied enterprise value, future financial condition and performance of Ocean Biomedical and the combined company after the closing and expected financial impacts of the proposed Transaction, the satisfaction of closing conditions to the proposed Transaction, the level of redemptions of Aesther's public stockholders and the products and markets and expected future performance and market opportunities of Ocean Biomedical. These forward-looking statements generally are identified by the words "believe," "project," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "intend," "think," "strategy," "future," "opportunity," "potential," "plan," "seeks," "may," "should," "will," "would," "will be," "will continue," "will likely result," and similar expressions, but the absence of these words does not mean that a statement is not forward-looking. Forward-looking statements are predictions, projections and other statements about future events that are based on current expectations and assumptions and, as a result, are subject to risks and uncertainties.

These forward-looking statements are provided for illustrative purposes only and are not intended to serve as, and must not be relied on as, a guarantee, an assurance, a prediction or a definitive statement of fact or probability. Actual events and circumstances are difficult or impossible to predict and will differ from assumptions. Many factors could cause actual future events to differ materially from the forward-looking statements in this communication, including but not limited to: (i) the risk that the proposed Transaction may not be completed in a timely manner or at all, which may adversely affect the price of Aesther's securities; (ii) the risk that the proposed Transaction may not be completed by Aesther's business combination deadline; (iii) the failure to satisfy the conditions to the consummation of the proposed Transaction, including the approval of the Merger Agreement by the stockholders of Aesther, the satisfaction of the minimum net tangible assets and minimum cash at closing requirements and the receipt of certain governmental, regulatory and third party approvals; (iv) the occurrence of any event, change or other circumstance that could give rise to the termination of the Merger Agreement; (v) the failure to achieve the minimum amount of cash available following any redemptions by Aesther's stockholders; (vi) redemptions exceeding anticipated levels or the failure to meet The Nasdaq Global Market's initial listing standards in connection with the consummation of the proposed Transaction; (vii) the effect of the announcement or pendency of the proposed Transaction on Ocean Biomedical's business relationships, operating results, and business generally; (viii) risks that the proposed Transaction disrupts current plans and operations of Ocean Biomedical; (ix) the outcome of any legal proceedings that may be instituted against Ocean Biomedical or against Aesther related to the Merger Agreement or the proposed Transaction; (x) changes in the markets in which Ocean Biomedical's competes, including with respect to its competitive landscape, technology evolution, or regulatory changes; (xi) changes in domestic and global general economic conditions; (xii) risk that Ocean Biomedical may not be able to execute its growth strategies; (xiii) risks related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and response, including supply chain disruptions; (xiv) risk that Ocean Biomedical may not be able to develop and maintain effective internal controls; (xv) costs related to the proposed Transaction and the failure to realize anticipated benefits of the proposed Transaction or to realize estimated pro forma results and underlying assumptions, including with respect to estimated stockholder redemptions; (xvi) the ability to recognize the anticipated benefits of the proposed Transaction and to achieve its commercialization and development plans, and identify and realize additional opportunities, which may be affected by, among other things, competition, the ability of Ocean Biomedical to grow and manage growth economically and hire and retain key employees; (xvii) the risk that Ocean Biomedical may fail to keep pace with rapid technological developments to provide new and innovative products and services or make substantial investments in unsuccessful new products and services; (xviii) the ability to develop, license or acquire new therapeutics; (xix) the risk that Ocean Biomedical will need to raise additional capital to execute its business plan, which may not be available on acceptable terms or at all; (xx) the risk that Ocean Biomedical, post-combination, experiences difficulties in managing its growth and expanding operations; (xxi) the risk of product liability or regulatory lawsuits or proceedings relating to Ocean Biomedical's business; (xxii) the risk of cyber security or foreign exchange losses; (xxiii) the risk that Ocean Biomedical is unable to secure or protect its intellectual property; and (xxiv) those factors discussed in Aesther's filings with the SEC and that are contained in the Definitive Proxy Statement relating to the proposed Transaction.

The foregoing list of factors is not exhaustive. You should carefully consider the foregoing factors and the other risks and uncertainties that are described in Aesther's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2021 and Aesther's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2022, and which are described in the "Risk Factors" section of the Definitive Proxy Statement, and other documents to be filed by Aesther from time to time with the SEC and which are and will be available at www.sec.gov. These filings identify and address other important risks and uncertainties that could cause actual events and results to differ materially from those contained in the forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. Readers are cautioned not to put undue reliance on forward-looking statements, and while Ocean Biomedical and Aesther may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, they assume no obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as required by applicable law. Neither Ocean Biomedical nor Aesther gives any assurance that Ocean Biomedical or Aesther, or the combined company, will achieve its expectations. These forward-looking statements should not be relied upon as representing Aesther's or Ocean Biomedical's assessments as of any date subsequent to the date of this filing. Accordingly, undue reliance should not be placed upon the forward-looking statements.

#### **Additional Information and Where to Find It**

In connection with the Merger Agreement and the proposed transaction, Aesther has filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A relating to the proposed transaction. This communication is not intended to be, and is not, a substitute for the Definitive Proxy Statement or any other document that Aesther has filed or may file with the SEC in connection with the proposed transaction. Aesther's stockholders and other interested persons are advised to read the Definitive Proxy Statement and the amendments thereto, and documents incorporated by reference therein filed in connection with the proposed transaction, as these materials will contain important information about Aesther, Ocean Biomedical, the Merger Agreement, and the proposed transaction. The Definitive Proxy Statement and other relevant materials for the proposed transaction will be mailed to stockholders of Aesther as of a record date to be established for voting on the proposed transaction. Before making any voting or investment decision, investors and stockholders of Aesther are urged to carefully read the entire Definitive Proxy Statement and any other relevant documents filed with the SEC, as well as any amendments or supplements to these documents, because they will contain important information about the proposed Transaction. Aesther investors and stockholders will also be able to obtain copies of the Definitive Proxy Statement and other documents filed with the SEC that will be incorporated by reference therein, without charge, at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov, or by directing a request to: Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp., 515 Madison Avenue, Suite 8078, New York, NY 10022, Attention: Mr. Suren Ajjarapu.

## **Participants in the Solicitation**

Aesther, Ocean Biomedical and their respective directors, executive officers, other members of management and employees may be deemed participants in the solicitation of proxies from Aesther's stockholders with respect to the proposed transaction. Investors and security holders may obtain more detailed information regarding the names and interests in the proposed transaction of Aesther's directors and officers in Aesther's filings with the SEC, including its most recent Annual Report on Form 10-K, the Definitive Proxy Statement, and other documents filed with the SEC.

## No Offer or Solicitation

This filing is not a solicitation of a proxy, consent or authorization with respect to any securities or in respect of the proposed transaction and will not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities, nor will there be any sale of securities in any states or jurisdictions in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The following exhibits are being filed herewith:

Exhibit No.	Description
10.1	Amended and Restated OTC Equity Prepaid Forward Transaction (Backstop Agreement), dated February 12, 2023
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded with the Inline XBRL)

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## **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

## AESTHER HEALTHCARE ACQUISITION CORP.

By: /s/ Suren Ajjarapu

Name: Suren Ajjarapu

Title: Chief Executive Officer

Date: February 13, 2023

#### EXECUTION VERSION

**Date:** February 12, 2023

To: Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation ("Aesther"), and Ocean Biomedical, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the

"Target").

Address: 515 Madison Avenue

**Suite 8078** 

New York, NY 10022

From: Vellar Opportunity Fund SPV LLC – Series 3 ("Seller")

**Re:** OTC Equity Prepaid Forward Transaction

The purpose of this agreement (this "Confirmation") is to confirm the terms and conditions of the transaction (the "Transaction") entered into between Seller, Aesther and Target on the Trade Date specified below. The term "Counterparty" refers to Aesther until the Business Combination (as defined below), then to Target following the Business Combination. Upon the closing of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement (as defined below) Target will merge into a wholly owned subsidiary of Aesther, with Aesther continuing as the surviving corporation (the "Combined Company"). Certain terms of the Transaction shall be as set forth in this Confirmation, with additional terms as set forth in a Pricing Date Notice (the "Pricing Date Notice") in the form of Schedule A hereto. This Confirmation, together with the Pricing Date Notice(s), constitutes a "Confirmation" and the Transaction constitutes a separate "Transaction" as referred to in the ISDA Form (as defined below).

This Confirmation, together with the Pricing Date Notices, evidences a complete binding agreement between Seller, Aesther and Target as to the subject matter and terms of the Transaction to which this Confirmation relates and shall supersede all prior or contemporaneous written or oral communications with respect thereto, including the Forward Purchase Confirmations between Seller, Counterparty and Target, dated August 31, 2022 and February 10, 2023

The 2006 ISDA Definitions (the "**Swap Definitions**") and the 2002 ISDA Equity Derivatives Definitions (the "**Equity Definitions**", and with the Swap Definitions, the "**Definitions**"), each as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., are incorporated into this Confirmation. If there is any inconsistency between the Definitions and this Confirmation, this Confirmation governs. If, in relation to the Transaction to which this Confirmation relates, there is any inconsistency between the ISDA Form, this Confirmation (including the Pricing Date Notice), the Swap Definitions and the Equity Definitions, the following will prevail for purposes of such Transaction in the order of precedence indicated: (i) this Confirmation (including the Pricing Date Notice(s));

(ii) the Equity Definitions; (iii) the Swap Definitions, and (iv) the ISDA Form.

This Confirmation, together with the Pricing Date Notice, shall supplement, form a part of, and be subject to an agreement in the form of the 2002 ISDA Master Agreement (the "ISDA Form") as if Seller, Target and Counterparty had executed an agreement in such form (but without any Schedule except as set forth herein under "Schedule Provisions") on the Trade Date of the Transaction.

The terms of the particular Transaction to which this Confirmation relates are as follows:

## **General Terms**

Type of Transaction: Share Forward Transaction

Trade Date: February 13, 2023

Pricing Date: As specified in the Pricing Date Notice.

Effective Date: One Settlement Cycle following the Pricing Date.

Valuation Date: The earlier to occur of (a) the third anniversary of the closing of the transactions between Counterparty and Target (the "Business Combination") pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated August 31, 2022 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among Counterparty, the Target and certain other parties thereto, as reported on a Form 8-K filed by the Counterparty, dated August 31, 2022 (the "Form 8-K") (b) the date specified by Counterparty in a written notice to be delivered to Seller at Counterparty's discretion (not earlier than the day such notice is effective) after the occurrence of a Counterparty VWAP Trigger Event; provided that if the Counterparty elects to deliver Maturity Shares, the Share Conditions are satisfied; and (c) the date specified by Seller in a written notice to be delivered at Seller's discretion (not earlier than the day such notice is effective) after the occurrence of any of (i) a Seller VWAP Trigger Event, (ii) a Registration Failure or (iii) the Shares ceasing to be listed on a national securities exchange or the filing of a Form 25 (in any of cases (a), (b) or (c), the "Maturity Date"). Counterparty VWAP Trigger Event: An event that occurs if (i) the VWAP Price is at or above \$20.00 per share for any 30 trading days during a 45 consecutive trading day-period beginning no earlier than 5 trading days after all the Shares held by the Seller are Freely Tradable and (ii) the aggregate trading volume in respect of the Shares during the same 30-day period is at least the product of (a) three and (b) the difference of (x) the Number of Shares and (y) the Terminated Shares. The Shares held by the Seller will be considered "Freely Tradable" if either (1) the Commission has declared effective a registration statement registering the resale of all Shares held by the Seller or (2) all Shares held by Seller may be transferred without any restrictions, including the requirement for the Counterparty to be in compliance with the current public information required under Rule 144(c)(1) (or Rule 144(i)(2), if applicable) or the volume and manner of sale limitations under Rule 144(e), (f) and (g) under the Securities Act. Seller VWAP Trigger Event: An event that occurs if the VWAP Price is below \$4.00 per Share for any 30 trading days during a 45 consecutive trading day-period thereafter. VWAP Price: such price is not so reported on such trading day for any reason or is erroneous, the VWAP Price shall be as reasonably determined by the Calculation Agent.

For any scheduled trading day, the volume weighted average price per Share for such day as reported on the relevant Bloomberg Screen "OCEA<Equity> AQR SEC" (or any successor thereto), or if

The Reset Price shall be adjusted on the first scheduled trading day of each month (each a "Reset Date") commencing on the first calendar month following the closing of the Business Combination to be the lowest of (a) the then-current Reset Price, (b) the Initial Price and (c) the VWAP Price of the Shares of the last ten trading days of the prior calendar month, but not lower than \$10.34; provided that the Reset Price may be further reduced pursuant to a Dilutive Offering Reset.

To the extent the Counterparty, after the date hereof, sells, enters any agreement to sell or grants any right to reprice, or otherwise dispose of or issues (or announce any offer, sale, grant or any option to purchase or other disposition) any Shares or any securities of the Counterparty or any of their respective subsidiaries which would entitle the holder thereof to acquire at any time Shares, including, without limitation, any debt, preferred stock, right, option, warrant or other instrument that is at any time convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for, or otherwise entitles the holder thereof to receive, Shares, at an effective price per share less than the then existing Reset Price then the Reset Price shall be modified to equal such reduced price.

Seller.

Reset Price:

Seller:

Dilutive Offering Reset:

Shares: Prior to the closing of the Business Combination, the Class A common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of Counterparty (Ticker: "AEHA") and, after the closing of the Business Combination, the shares of the Combined Company (the "Issuer"). Seller will hold the Recycled Shares and the Additional Shares (together, the "Subject Shares") for the benefit of Target. Number of Shares: The sum of (a) the number of Recycled Shares and (b) the number of Additional Shares, as specified in the Pricing Date Notice, but in no event more than the Maximum Number of Shares. The Number of Shares is subject to reduction as described under "Optional Early Termination." Maximum Number of Shares: 8,000,000 Shares Initial Price: Equals the Per-Share Redemption Price (the "Redemption Price") as defined in Section 9.2(b) of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of Counterparty dated as of September 10, 2021, as amended from time to time (the "Certificate of Incorporation"). Recycled Shares: The number of Shares purchased by Seller from third parties (other than Counterparty) through a broker in the open market (other than through Counterparty); provided that Seller shall have irrevocably waived all redemption rights with respect to such Shares as provided below in the section captioned "Transactions by Seller in the Shares." Seller shall specify the number of Recycled Shares (the "Number of Recycled Shares") in the initial Pricing Date Notice. Additional Shares: Any Additional Shares may be purchased by Seller, in Seller's sole discretion, from the Counterparty, with such number of Shares to be specified in a Pricing Date Notice for the Additional Shares and up to an amount equal to the difference of (x) the Maximum Number of Shares minus (y) the Recycled Shares. Prepayment: Payment of the Prepayment Amount shall be made directly from the Counterparty's Trust Account maintained by Continental Stock Transfer and Trust Company holding the net proceeds of the sale of the units in Counterparty's initial public offering and the sale of private placement units (the "Trust Account") no later than the Prepayment Date. Counterparty shall provide (a) notice to Counterparty's trustee of the entrance into this Confirmation no later than one Local Business Day following the date hereof, with copy to Seller and Seller's outside legal counsel, and (b) to Seller and Seller's outside legal counsel a final draft of the flow of funds from the Trust Account prior to the closing of the Business Combination itemizing the Prepayment Amount due to Seller; provided that Seller shall be invited to attend any closing call in connection with the Business Combination. Prepayment Amount: A cash amount equal to (x) the product of (i) the Number of Shares as set forth in the initial Pricing Date Notice and (ii) the Initial Price. Prepayment Date: Subject to Counterparty receiving the initial Pricing Date Notice, the earlier of (a) one Local Business Day after the closing of the Business Combination and (b) the date any assets from the Trust Account are disbursed in connection with the Business Combination. Variable Obligation: Not applicable.

Counterparty.

Buyer:

Exchanges

Nasdaq Capital Market

Related Exchange(s)

All Exchanges

Break-up Fees:

A break-up fee equal to (i) all attorney fees and other reasonable expenses related thereto incurred by Seller or its affiliates in connection with this Transaction, plus (ii) \$1,000,000 (collectively, the "Break-up Fee") shall be payable to the Seller upon any Additional Termination Event following the consummation of the Transaction except where the Additional Termination Event occurred as a result of a material breach of Seller's obligations hereunder; provided, that Seller hereby waives any and all right, title and interest, or any claim of any kind they have or may have, in or to any monies held in the Counterparty's Trust Account and agrees not to seek recourse against the Trust Account, in each case, as a result of, or arising out of, this Transaction; provided, that notwithstanding any other provision, clause or proviso of this Confirmation, this Transaction, including the Confirmation, may not be terminated by Counterparty or Target after Seller purchases any Recycled Shares after the redemption deadline; provided, further, that nothing in the foregoing waiver shall (w) serve to limit or prohibit Seller's right to pursue a claim against the Counterparty for legal relief against assets held outside the Trust Account, for specific performance or other equitable relief, (x) serve to limit or prohibit any claims that the Seller may have in the future against the Counterparty's assets or funds that are not held in the Trust Account (including any funds that have been released from the Trust Account and any assets that have been purchased or acquired with any such funds), (y) be deemed to limit Seller's right, title, interest or claim to the Trust Account by virtue of such Seller's record or beneficial ownership of securities of the Counterparty acquired by any means other than pursuant to this Transaction or (z) serve to limit Seller's redemption right with respect to any such securities of the Seller other than during the term of this Confirmation. The Counterparty and Target shall be jointly and severally liable for any Break-Up Fees payable hereunder. The Breakup Fee is not intended to constitute a liquidated damages provision, and it will be payable in addition to any other amount due and payable to Seller as a result of the occurrence of an Early Termination Date under the ISDA Master Agreement.

Payment Dates:

Following the Business Combination, the last day of each calendar quarter or, if such date is not a Local Business Day, the next following Local Business Day, until the Maturity Date.

Reimbursement of Legal Fees and Other Expenses:

On the Prepayment Date, Counterparty shall pay to Seller an amount equal to the attorney fees (estimated to be \$75,000) and other reasonable expenses related thereto incurred by Seller or its affiliates in connection with this Transaction. In addition, on the Prepayment Date, Counterparty shall reimburse Seller for its reasonable costs and expenses incurred in connection with the acquisition of Subject Shares in an amount not to exceed \$0.10 per Share.

#### **Settlement Terms**

Settlement Method Election: Not Applicable.

Settlement Method: Physical Settlement.

Settlement Currency: USD.

Settlement Date: Two Local Business Days following the Valuation Date.

Excess Dividend Amount:

Ex Amount.

Optional Early Termination:

From time to time and on any date following the date of closing of the Business Combination (any such date, an "OET Date") and subject to the terms and conditions below, Seller may, in its absolute discretion, terminate the Transaction in whole or in part so long as Seller provides written notice to Counterparty (the "OET Notice"), no later than the later of (a) the third Local Business Day following the OET Date and (b) the first Payment Date after the OET Date which shall specify the quantity by which the Number of Shares is to be reduced (such quantity, the "Terminated Shares"). As of each OET Date, Counterparty shall be entitled to an amount from Seller, and the Seller shall pay to Counterparty an amount, equal to the product of (x) the number of Terminated Shares and (y) the Reset Price in respect of such OET Date (an "Early Termination Obligation"). The remainder of the Transaction, if any, shall continue in accordance with its terms; provided, that if the OET Date is also the stated Valuation Date, the remainder of the Transaction shall be settled in accordance with the other provisions of "Settlement Terms." Seller shall pay to Counterparty any and all unsatisfied Early Termination Obligations, calculated as of the last day of each calendar month, on the first Local Business Day following such day to the accounts and in the amounts as directed by Counterparty; provided that Seller shall be under no obligation to settle an Early Termination Obligation set forth in an OET Notice prior to one Local Business Day following the settlement of the Share sale(s) covered in such OET Notice.

Maturity Consideration:

The "Maturity Consideration" means an amount equal to the product of (1) (a) the Maximum Number of Shares less (b) the number of Terminated Shares multiplied by (2) \$2.50. In the event the Maturity Date is determined by clause (a) or (c) of Valuation Date, on such Maturity Date, Seller shall be entitled to receive the Maturity Consideration in cash or, at the option of Counterparty (other than in the case of a Delisting Event), Shares based on the average daily VWAP Price over 30 scheduled trading days ending on the Maturity Date (such shares to be paid as Maturity Consideration, the "Maturity Shares"); provided, that the Maturity Shares used to pay the Maturity Consideration (i) (a) are registered for resale under an effective registration statement pursuant to the Securities Act under which Seller may sell or transfer the Shares or (b) may be transferred by Seller under Rule 144 without restriction, including the requirement for the Counterparty to be in compliance with the current public information required under Rule 144(c)(1) (or Rule 144(i)(2), if applicable) or the volume and manner of sale limitations under Rule 144(e), (f) and (g) under the Securities Act and (ii) bear no restrictive legend (collectively, (i) and (ii) above, the "Share Conditions"); provided, further, that if the Maturity Shares do not satisfy the Share Conditions, Seller shall instead receive such number of Shares equal to the product of (a) three and (b) the Maximum Number of Shares minus the Terminated Shares (the "Penalty Shares"); provided, further, that if the Penalty Shares satisfy the Share Conditions within 120 days after the Maturity Date, Seller shall return to Counterparty such number of Penalty Shares that are valued in excess of Maturity Consideration based on the 10-day VWAP ending on date that such Shares satisfied the Share Conditions. Counterparty, at Sellers's option, will pay the Maturity Consideration on a net basis such that Seller retains a number of shares due to Counterparty upon the Maturity Date equal to the number of Maturity Shares or Penalty Shares payable to Seller, only to the extent the Number of Shares due to Counterparty upon the Maturity Date are equal to or more than the number of Maturity Shares or Penalty Shares payable to Seller, with any Maturity Consideration remaining due to be paid to Seller in newly issued Shares. For the avoidance of doubt, in addition to the Maturity Consideration, at the Maturity Date, Seller will be entitled to retain a cash amount equal to the product of (y) the Number of Shares remaining in the Transaction multiplied by (z) the Redemption Price, and Seller will deliver to Buyer the Number of Shares that remain in the Transaction. In the event that the Maturity Date is determined by clause (b) of the Valuation Date, on such Maturity Date, Seller shall not be entitled to receive the Maturity Consideration.

Share Consideration:

In addition to the Prepayment Amount, Counterparty shall pay directly from the Trust Account, on the Prepayment Date, an amount equal to the product of (x) 1,200,000 and (y) the Initial Price. The Shares purchased with the Share Consideration (the "Share Consideration Shares") shall be incremental to the Maximum Number of Shares, shall not be included in the Number of Shares in this Transaction, and the Seller and the Share Consideration Shares shall be free and clear of all obligations with respect to the Seller and such Share Consideration Shares in connection with this Confirmation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Counterparty shall have the option to repurchase the Share Consideration Shares from Seller at an aggregate price of \$3,000,000 at any time during the first nine months after the Prepayment Date.

Share Registration:

Within 45 days after receipt of a written request of Seller (the "Registration Request"), which request may be made no earlier than the Counterparty's redemption deadline and no later than the Maturity Date, Counterparty shall file (at Counterparty's sole cost and expense) with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a registration statement registering the resale of all shares held by the Seller, including the Recycled Shares, Additional Shares, and the Share Consideration Shares (the "Registration Statement"), and have the Registration Statement declared effective as soon as practicable after the filing thereof, but no later than the earliest of (i) the 60th calendar day (or 75th calendar day if the Commission notifies the Counterparty that it will "review" the Registration Statement) following the Registration Request and (ii) the 5th Local Business Day after the date the Counterparty is notified (orally or in writing, whichever is earlier) by the Commission that such Registration Statement will not be "reviewed" or will not be subject to further review. Upon notification by the Commission that the Registration Statement has been declared effective by the Commission, within two Local Business Days thereafter, the Counterparty shall file the final prospectus under Rule 424 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended containing a "plan of distribution" reasonably agreeable to Seller. Counterparty shall not identify Seller as a statutory underwriter in the Registration Statement unless requested by the Commission. In the event that Seller is identified as a statutory underwriter, Counterparty will afford the Seller the ability to conduct standard due diligence of the Combined Company, including review of documents, meetings with management and the delivery of a customary comfort letter from the Combined Company's auditors. The Counterparty will use its reasonable best efforts to keep the Registration Statement covering the resale of the shares as described above continuously effective (except for customary blackout periods, up to twice per year and for a total of up to 10 calendar days (and not more than 7 calendar days in an occurrence), if and when the Counterparty is in possession of material nonpublic information the disclosure of which, in the good faith judgment of the Counterparty's board of directors, would be prejudicial, and the Counterparty agrees to promptly notify Seller of any such blackout determination) until all such shares have been sold or may be transferred without any restrictions, including the requirement for the Counterparty to be in compliance with the current public information required under Rule 144(c)(1) (or Rule 144(i)(2), if applicable) or the volume and manner of sale limitations under Rule 144(e), (f) and (g) under the Securities Act; provided that Counterparty covenants and agrees to make all necessary filings, amendments, supplements and submissions in furtherance of the foregoing, including to register all of Seller's Shares for resale; provided, further, that it shall be a ("Registration Failure") if (a) the Registration Statement covering all of the shares described above in this section is not declared effective after the 60th calendar day (or 75th calendar day if the Commission notifies the Counterparty that it will "review" the Registration Statement) after the Registration Request or (b) the Registration Statement after it is declared effective ceases to be continuously effective (subject to the blackout periods as indicated above) as set forth in the preceding sentence for more than 10 consecutive calendar days. Seller will promptly deliver customary representations and other documentation reasonably acceptable to the Counterparty, its counsel and/or its transfer agent in connection with the Registration Statement, including those related to selling shareholders, and to respond to SEC comments. If requested by Seller, the Counterparty shall remove or instruct its transfer agent to remove any restrictive legend with respect to transfers under the Securities Act from any and all Shares held by Seller if (1) the Registration Statement is and continues to be effective under the Securities Act, (2) such Shares are sold or transferred pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act (subject to all applicable requirements of Rule 144 being met), or (3) such Shares are eligible for sale under Rule 144, without the requirement for the Counterparty to be in compliance with the current public information required under Rule 144(c)(1) (or Rule 144(i)(2), if applicable) or the volume and manner of sale limitations under Rule 144(e), (f) and (g) under the Securities Act, provided that Seller shall have timely provided customary representations and other documentation reasonably acceptable to the Counterparty, its counsel and/or its transfer agent in connection therewith. Any fees (with respect to the transfer agent, Counterparty's counsel or otherwise) associated with the issuance of any legal opinion required by the Counterparty's transfer agent or the removal of such legend shall be borne by the Counterparty. If a legend is no longer required pursuant to the foregoing, the Counterparty will, no later than five Local Business Days following the delivery by Seller to the Counterparty or the transfer agent (with notice to the Counterparty) of customary representations and other documentation reasonably acceptable to the Counterparty, its counsel and/or its transfer agent, remove the restrictive legend related to the book entry account holding the Shares and make a new, unlegended book entry for the Shares.

## **Share Adjustments:**

Method of Adjustment: Calculation Agent Adjustment.

## **Extraordinary Events:**

Consequences of Merger Events involving

Counterparty:

Share-for-Share: Calculation Agent Adjustment.

Share-for-Other: Cancellation and Payment.

Share-for-Combined: Component Adjustment.

Tender Offer: Applicable; provided, however, that Section 12.1(d) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by

adding ", or of the outstanding Shares," before "of the Issuer" in the fourth line thereof. Sections 12.1(e) and 12.1(l)(ii) of the Equity Definitions are hereby amended by adding "or Shares, as

applicable," after "voting Shares".

## **Consequences of Tender Offers:**

Share-for-Share: Calculation Agent Adjustment.

Share-for-Other: Calculation Agent Adjustment.

Share-for-Combined: Calculation Agent Adjustment.

Composition of Combined Consideration: Not Applicable.

Nationalization, Insolvency or Delisting:

Cancellation and Payment (Calculation Agent Determination); provided that in addition to the provisions of Section 12.6(a)(iii) of the Equity Definitions, it shall also constitute a Delisting if the Exchange is located in the United States and the Shares are not immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on any of the New York Stock Exchange, the Nasdaq Global Select Market, Nasdaq Capital Market or the Nasdaq Global Market (or their respective successors) or such other exchange or quotation system which, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, has liquidity comparable to the aforementioned exchanges; if the Shares are immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on any such exchange or quotation system, such exchange or quotation system shall be deemed to be the Exchange.

**Business Combination Exclusion:** 

Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision herein, the parties agree that the Business Combination shall not constitute a Merger Event, Tender Offer, Delisting or any other Extraordinary Event hereunder.

## **Additional Disruption Events:**

(a) Change in Law: Applicable; *provided* that Section 12.9(a)(ii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by adding

the words "(including, for the avoidance of doubt and without limitation, adoption or promulgation of new regulations authorized or mandated by existing statute)" after the word "regulation" in the

second line thereof.

(a) Failure to Deliver: Not Applicable.

(b) Insolvency Filing: Applicable.

(c) Hedging Disruption: Not Applicable.

(d) Increased Cost of Hedging: Not Applicable.

(e) Loss of Stock Borrow: Not Applicable.

(f) Increased Cost of Stock Borrow: Not Applicable.

Determining Party: For all applicable events, Seller, unless (i) an Event of Default, Potential Event of Default or

Termination Event has occurred and is continuing with respect to Seller, or (ii) if Seller fails to perform its obligations as Determining Party, in which case a Third Party Dealer (as defined below)

in the relevant market selected by Counterparty will be the Determining Party.

## **Additional Provisions:**

Calculation Agent: Seller, unless (i) an Event of Default, Potential Event of Default or Termination Event has occurred

and is continuing with respect to Seller, or (ii) if Seller fails to perform its obligations as Calculation Agent, in which case an unaffiliated leading dealer in the relevant market selected by Counterparty

in its sole discretion will be the Calculation Agent.

In the event that a party (the "Disputing Party") does not agree with any determination made (or the failure to make any determination) by the Calculation Agent, the Disputing Party shall have the right to require that the Calculation Agent have such determination reviewed by a disinterested third party that is a dealer in derivatives of the type that is the subject of the dispute and that is not an Affiliate of either party (a "Third Party Dealer"). Such Third Party Dealer shall be jointly selected by the parties within one Local Business Day after the Disputing Party's exercise of its rights hereunder (once selected, such Third Party Dealer shall be the "Substitute Calculation Agent"). If the parties are unable to agree on a Substitute Calculation Agent within the prescribed time, each of the parties shall elect a Third Party Dealer and such two dealers shall agree on a Third Party Dealer by the end of the subsequent Local Business Day. Such Third Party Dealer shall be deemed to be the Substitute Calculation Agent. Any exercise by the Disputing Party of its rights hereunder must be in writing and shall be delivered to the Calculation Agent not later than the third Local Business Day following the Local Business Day on which the Calculation Agent notifies the Disputing Party of any determination made (or of the failure to make any determination). Any determination by the Substitute Calculation Agent shall be binding in the absence of manifest error and shall be made as soon as possible but no later than the second Local Business Day following the Substitute Calculation Agent's appointment. The costs of such Substitute Calculation Agent shall be borne by (a) the Disputing Party if the Substitute Calculation Agent substantially agrees with the Calculation Agent or (b) the non- Disputing Party if the Substitute Calculation Agent does not substantially agree with the Calculation Agent. If, after following the procedures and within the specified time frames set forth above, a binding determination is not achieved, the original determination of the Calculation Agent shall apply.

Non-Reliance:

Applicable.

Agreements and Acknowledgements Regarding

Hedging Activities:

Applicable.

Additional Acknowledgements:

Applicable.

**Schedule Provisions:** 

Specified Entity: In relation to both Seller and Counterparty for the purpose of:

Section 5(a)(v), Not Applicable Section 5(a)(vi), Not Applicable Section 5(a)(vii), Not Applicable

Cross-Default The "Cross-Default" provisions of Section 5(a)(vi) of the ISDA Form will not apply to either party.

Credit Event Upon Merger The "Credit Event Upon Merger" provisions of Section 5(b)(v) of the ISDA Form will not apply to

either party.

Automatic Early Termination: The "Automatic Early Termination" of Section 6(a) of the ISDA Form will not apply to either party.

Termination Currency: United States Dollars.

Additional Termination Events:

Will apply to Seller and to Counterparty and Target. The occurrence of any of the following events shall constitute an Additional Termination Event in respect of which Seller and Counterparty and Target shall be Affected Parties:

(a) the Business Combination fails to close on or before the Outside Date (as defined in the Merger Agreement) (as such Outside Date may be amended or extended from time to time); and

(b) the Merger Agreement is terminated pursuant to its terms prior to the closing of the Business Combination.

Subject to the Break-Up Fee, if this Transaction terminates due to the occurrence of either of the foregoing Additional Termination Events, then, subject to the immediately following sentence, no further payments or deliveries shall be due by either Seller to Counterparty or Counterparty to Seller in respect of the Transaction, including without limitation in respect of any settlement amount, breakage costs or any amounts representing the future value of the Transaction, and neither party shall have any further obligation under the Transaction and, for the avoidance of doubt and without limitation, no payments will have accrued or be due under Sections 2, 6 or 11 of the ISDA Form. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Counterparty's obligations set forth under the captions, "Reimbursement of Legal Fees and Other Expenses," and "Other Provisions — (d) Indemnification" shall survive any termination due to the occurrence of either of the foregoing Additional Termination Events.

Governing Law:

Credit Support Provider:

Local Business Days:

New York law (without reference to choice of law doctrine).

With respect to Seller and Counterparty, None.

Seller specifies the following places for the purposes of the definition of Local Business Day as it applies to it: New York. Counterparty specifies the following places for the purposes of the definition of Local Business Day as it applies to it: New York.

## Representations, Warranties and Covenants

- 1. Each of Counterparty, Target and Seller represents and warrants to, and covenants and agrees with, the other, as of the date on which it enters into the Transaction that (in the absence of any written agreement between the parties that expressly imposes affirmative obligations to the contrary for the Transaction).
- (a) <u>Non-Reliance</u>. It is acting for its own account, and it has made its own independent decisions to enter into the Transaction and as to whether the Transaction is appropriate or proper for it based upon its own judgment and upon advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary. It is not relying on any communication (written or oral) of the other party as investment advice or as a recommendation to enter into the Transaction, it being understood that information and explanations related to the terms and conditions of the Transaction will not be considered investment advice or a recommendation to enter into the Transaction. No communication (written or oral) received from the other party will be deemed to be an assurance or guarantee as to the expected results of the Transaction.
- (b) <u>Assessment and Understanding</u>. It is capable of assessing the merits of and understanding (on its own behalf or through independent professional advice), and understands and accepts, the terms, conditions and risks of the Transaction. It is also capable of assuming, and assumes, the risks of the Transaction.
- (c) Non-Public Information. It is in compliance with Section 10(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act").
- (d) <u>Eligible Contract Participant</u>. It is an "eligible contract participant" under, and as defined in, the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. § 1a(18)) and CFTC regulations (17 CFR § 1.3).
- (e) <u>Tax Characterization</u>. It shall treat the Transaction as a derivative financial contract for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and it shall not take any action or tax return filing position contrary to this characterization.
- (f) <u>Private Placement</u>. It (i) is an "accredited investor" as such term is defined in Regulation D as promulgated under the Securities Act, (ii) is entering into the Transaction for its own account without a view to the distribution or resale thereof and (iii) understands that the assignment, transfer or other disposition of the Transaction has not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act.
- (g) <u>Investment Company Act.</u> It is not and, after giving effect to the Transaction, will not be required to register as an "investment company" under, and as such term is defined in, the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
- (h) <u>Authorization</u>. The Transaction, including this Confirmation, has been entered into pursuant to authority granted by its board of directors or other governing authority. It has no internal policy, whether written or oral, that would prohibit it from entering into any aspect of the Transaction, including, but not limited to, the purchase of Shares to be made in connection therewith.
- (i) <u>Affiliate Status</u>. It is the intention of the parties hereto that Seller shall not be an "affiliate" (as such term is defined in Rule 405 under the Securities Act) of the Counterparty including Aesther or the Combined Company following the closing of the Business Combination, as a result of the transactions contemplated hereunder.
- (j) <u>Tender Offer Rules</u>. The Counterparty, Target and Seller each acknowledge that the Transaction has been structured, and all activity in connection with the Transaction has been undertaken, in compliance with the requirements of all tender offer regulations applicable to the Business Combination, including Rule 14e-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 2. Counterparty represents and warrants to, and covenants and agrees with, Seller, as of the date on which it enters into the Transaction, as follows.
- (a) <u>Total Assets</u>. It has total assets as of the date hereof and expects to have as of the closing of the Business Combination of at least USD \$5,000,000.

- (b) <u>Non-Reliance</u>. Without limiting the generality of Section 13.1 of the Equity Definitions, Counterparty acknowledges that Seller is not making any representations or warranties or taking any position or expressing any view with respect to the treatment of the Transaction under any accounting standards.
- (c) <u>Solvency.</u> Counterparty is, and shall be as of the date of any payment or delivery by Counterparty under the Transaction, solvent and able to pay its debts as they come due, with assets having a fair value greater than liabilities and with capital sufficient to carry on the businesses in which it engages. Counterparty: (i) has not engaged in and will not engage in any business or transaction after which the property remaining with it will be unreasonably small in relation to its business, (ii) has not incurred and does not intend to incur debts beyond its ability to pay as they mature, and (iii) as a result of entering into and performing its obligations under the Transaction, (a) it has not violated and will not violate any relevant state law provision applicable to the acquisition or redemption by an issuer of its own securities and (b) it would not be nor would it be rendered "insolvent" (as such term is defined under Section 101(32) of the Bankruptcy Code or under any other applicable local insolvency regime).
- (d) <u>Public Reports</u>. As of the Trade Date, Counterparty is in material compliance with its reporting obligations under the Exchange Act, and all reports and other documents filed by Counterparty with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Exchange Act, when considered as a whole (with the most recent such reports and documents deemed to amend inconsistent statements contained in any earlier such reports and documents), do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- (e) <u>No Distribution</u>. Except with respect to any Shares that may be offered and sold pursuant to the Registration Statement, Counterparty is not entering into the Transaction to facilitate a distribution of the Shares (or any security that may be converted into or exercised or exchanged for Shares, or whose value under its terms may in whole or in significant part be determined by the value of the Shares) or in connection with any future issuance of securities.
- (f) <u>SEC Documents</u>. The Counterparty shall comply with the Securities and Exchange Commission's guidance, including Compliance and Disclosure Interpretation No. 166.01, for all relevant disclosure in connection with this Confirmation and the Transaction, and will not file with the Securities and Exchange Commission any Form 8-K, Registration Statement on Form S-4 (or Form F-4 (if applicable)) (including any post-effective amendment thereof), proxy statement, or other document that includes any disclosure regarding this Confirmation or the Transaction without consulting with and reasonably considering any comments received from Seller, provided that, no consultation shall be required with respect to any subsequent disclosures that are substantially similar to prior disclosures by Counterparty that were reviewed by Seller.
- (g) <u>Waiver</u>. The Counterparty hereby waives any violation of its "bulldog clause" and any other restrictions that would be caused by Seller entering into this Transaction.
- (h) <u>Disclosure</u>. The Counterparty agrees to comply with applicable SEC guidance in respect of disclosure and the Counterparty shall preview with Seller all public disclosure relating to the Transaction and shall consult with Seller to ensure that such public disclosure, including the press release, Form 8-K or other filing that announces the Transaction adequately discloses the material terms and conditions of the Transaction in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Seller; provided that the Form 8-K shall be publicly filed on the same date that definitive transaction documents are signed and provided further, that to the extent definitive transaction documents are not signed at least 48 hours prior to the Redemption Deadline, the Counterparty agrees to make all necessary disclosures (if any) at least 24 hours prior to the Redemption Deadline to ensure that Seller is not in possession of material non-public information as a result of the transactions outlined herein.
- (i) <u>Listing</u>. The Counterparty agrees to use its best efforts to maintain the listing of the Shares on a national securities exchange; provided that if the Shares cease to be listed on a national securities exchange or upon the filing of a Form 25 (each a "**Delisting Event**"), Seller may accelerate the Maturity Date under this Confirmation by delivering notice to the Counterparty and shall be entitled to the Break-up Fees, which shall be due and payable immediately following the Maturity Date.

- (j) <u>Regulatory Filings</u>. Counterparty covenants that it will make all regulatory filings that it is required by law or regulation to make with respect to the Transaction.
- (k) Regulation M and Target Approvals. Counterparty is not on the Trade Date and agrees and covenants that it will not be on any date Seller is purchasing shares that may be included in a Pricing Date Notice, engaged or engaging in a distribution, as such term is used in Regulation M under the Exchange Act, of any securities of Counterparty, other than a distribution meeting the requirements of the exception set forth in Rules 101(b)(10) and 102(b)(7) of Regulation M. Counterparty shall not, until the second scheduled trading day immediately following dates referenced in the preceding sentence, engage in any such distribution. Counterparty, including Target, also agrees and covenants that the Merger Agreement shall be executed and all required approvals and consents of the Target security holders in connection with the Business Combination shall be obtained and any subsequent valuation periods as contemplated under Regulation M under the Exchange Act, shall be completed in each case no later than Aesther's redemption deadline.
- (1) No conflicts. The execution and delivery by the Counterparty and Target of, and the performance by the Counterparty and the Target of its obligations under, the Transaction and the Confirmation and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Confirmation, including the payments and share issuances hereunder, do not and will not result in any breach or violation of or constitute a default under (nor constitute any event which, with notice, lapse of time or both, would result in any breach or violation of or constitute a default under or give the holder of any indebtedness (or a person acting on such holder's behalf) the right to require the repurchase, redemption or repayment of all or a part of such indebtedness under) (or result in the creation or imposition of a lien, charge or encumbrance on any property or assets of the Counterparty, the Target or any of their respective subsidiaries pursuant to) (i) any provision of applicable law, (ii) the organizational documents of any of the Counterparty, the Target or any of their respective subsidiaries, (iii) any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, bank loan or credit agreement or other evidence of indebtedness, or any license, lease, contract or other agreement or instrument binding upon the Counterparty, the Target or any of their respective subsidiaries, or (iv) any judgment, order or decree of any governmental body, agency or court having jurisdiction over the Counterparty, the Target or any of their respective subsidiaries, and no consent, approval, authorization or order of, or qualification with, any governmental body or agency is required for the performance by the Counterparty or the Target of their respective obligations under the Confirmation, except as have been obtained. In addition, the Counterparty and Target covenant and agree not to enter into any agreement or other arrangement that would prohibit, restrict or otherwise prevent the Counterparty from performing its obligations hereunder, including the making of any payment or Share issuance to the Seller.
- (m) The Counterparty agrees to publicly disclose on a Form 8-K filed with the SEC on February [●], 2023, the trust account balance available to pay redemptions as of the close of business on that date.
- 3. Target and the Counterparty each covenants and agrees not to incur indebtedness (as a result of incurring additional indebtedness, refinancing of existing indebtedness as of the date hereof, or otherwise) or issue capital stock or securities convertible into capital stock (other than capital stock issued as compensation to executives pursuant to programs in place on the Prepayment Date) during the period from the Trade Date through and including the date that is nine months after the Prepayment Date without the prior written consent of the Seller. Indebtedness shall not include accounts payable at the closing of the Business Combination or otherwise.
- 4. The Counterparty and the Target each agree to disclose promptly (and in any event no later than one Business Day after) to each other and the Seller any amendment to or deferral of payment of any transaction fees to be paid in connection with the Business Combination, including any payment of such fees through the issuance of equity securities; provided that if the disclosure of such information to Seller is material and non-public, Counterparty undertakes to immediately file a Form 8-K containing such information.

- 5. Seller represents and warrants to, and covenants and agrees with Counterparty as of the date on which it enters into the Transaction and each other date specified that:
  - (a) <u>Regulatory Filings</u>. Seller covenants that it will make all regulatory filings that it is required by law or regulation to make with respect to the Transaction including, without limitation, as may be required by Section 13 or Section 16 (if applicable) under the Exchange Act and, assuming the accuracy of Counterparty's Repurchase Notices (as described under "Repurchase Notices" below) any sales of the Recycled Shares will be in compliance therewith.
  - (b) <u>Shorting.</u> Seller agrees not effect any Short Sales in respect of the Shares prior to the earlier of a) the Maturity Date and b) the cancellation of the Transaction. "Short Sales" means all "short sales" as defined in Rule 200 promulgated under Regulation SHO under the Exchange Act, whether or not against the box, and all types of direct and indirect stock pledges, forward sale contracts, options, puts, calls, short sales, swaps, "put equivalent positions" (as defined in Rule 16a-1(h) under the Exchange Act) and similar arrangements (including on a total return basis).

## **Transactions by Seller in the Shares**

- (a) Seller hereby waives the redemption rights ("Redemption Rights") set forth in the Certificate of Incorporation in connection with the Business Combination with respect to the Recycled Shares only during the term of this Confirmation. Seller may sell or otherwise transfer, loan or dispose of any of the Shares or any other shares or securities of the Counterparty in one or more public or private transactions at any time. Any Recycled Shares sold by Seller during the term of the Transaction will cease to be included in the Number of Shares.
- (b) No sale of Shares by Seller shall terminate all or any portion of this Confirmation (unless Seller issues an OET Notice within the deadlines contemplated in section entitled Optional Early Termination above), and provided that Seller complies with all of its other obligations hereunder nothing contained herein shall limit any of Seller's purchases and sales of Shares.
- (c) Counterparty hereby waives the provisions of Section 9.2(c) of the Certificate of Incorporation with respect to the Subject Shares (or any other shares of the Counterparty held by Seller or any of its affiliates) provided that such Subject Shares shall not be permitted to be redeemed by Seller during the term of this Agreement to the extent set forth in Section (a) above. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, the waiver set forth in this paragraph (c) shall survive any termination or expiration of this Confirmation.

#### No Arrangements

Seller, Counterparty and Target each acknowledge and agree that: (i) there are no voting, hedging or settlement arrangements between or among Seller, Counterparty and Target with respect to any Shares or the Counterparty or Target, other than those set forth herein; (ii) although Seller may hedge its risk under the Transaction in any way Seller determines, Seller has no obligation to hedge with the purchase, sale or maintenance of any Shares or otherwise; (iii) Counterparty and Target will not be entitled to any voting rights in respect of any of the Shares underlying the Transaction; and (iv) Counterparty and Target will not seek to influence Seller with respect to the voting or disposition of any Shares.

## Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act

In connection with Section 739 of the Wall Street Transparency and Accountability Act of 2010 ("WSTAA"), the parties hereby agree that neither the enactment of WSTAA or any regulation under WSTAA, nor any requirement under WSTAA or an amendment made by WSTAA, nor any similar legal certainty provision in any legislation enacted, or rule or regulation promulgated, on or after the date of this Confirmation, shall limit or otherwise impair either party's otherwise applicable rights to terminate, renegotiate, modify, amend or supplement this Confirmation or the ISDA Form, as applicable, arising from a termination event, force majeure, illegality, increased costs, regulatory change or similar event under this Confirmation, the Equity Definitions incorporated herein, or the ISDA Form.

## **Address for Notices**

## **Notice to Seller:**

3 Columbus Circle 24<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10019

With a copy to: Seward & Kissel LLP One Battery Park Plaza New York, NY 10004 Attention: Keith Billotti Email: billotti@sewkis.com

#### **Notice to Counterparty:**

Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp. 515 Madison Avenue, Suite 8078 New York, New York 10022

e-mail: suren@aestherhealthcarespac.com

Following the Closing of the Business Combination:

Ocean Biomedical, Inc. 55 Claverick St., Room 325 Providence, Rhode Island 02903

## Notice to Target:

Ocean Biomedical, Inc. 55 Claverick St., Room 325 Providence, Rhode Island 02903

## **Other Provisions**

- (a) Rule 10b5-1.
  - (i) Counterparty represents and warrants to Seller that Counterparty is not entering into the Transaction to create actual or apparent trading activity in the Shares (or any security convertible into or exchangeable for the Shares) or to raise or depress or otherwise manipulate the price of the Shares (or any security convertible into or exchangeable for the Shares) for the purpose of inducing the purchase or sale of such securities or otherwise in violation of the Exchange Act, and Counterparty represents and warrants to Seller that Counterparty has not entered into or altered, and agrees that Counterparty will not enter into or alter, any corresponding or hedging transaction or position with respect to the Shares.
  - (ii) Counterparty agrees that it will not seek to control or influence Seller's decision to make any "purchases or sales" under the Transaction, including, without limitation, Seller's decision to enter into any hedging transactions. Counterparty represents and warrants that it has consulted with its own advisors as to the legal aspects of its adoption and implementation of this Confirmation and the Transaction under the federal securities laws, including without limitation, the prohibitions on manipulative and deceptive devices under the Exchange Act.
  - (iii) Counterparty acknowledges and agrees that any amendment, modification, waiver or termination of this Confirmation must be effected in accordance with the requirements for the amendment or termination of a written trading plan for trading securities. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Counterparty acknowledges and agrees that any such amendment, modification, waiver or termination shall be made in good faith and not as part of a plan or scheme to evade compliance with the federal securities laws, including without limitation the prohibition on manipulative and deceptive devises under the Exchange Act and no such amendment, modification or waiver shall be made at any time at which Counterparty or any officer, director, manager or similar person of Counterparty is aware of any material non-public information regarding Counterparty or the Shares.

(b) Repurchase Notices. Counterparty shall, on any day on which Counterparty effects any repurchase of Shares (other than in connection with a Counterparty equity compensation program (e.g., to fund taxes in connection with vested RSUs)), promptly give Seller a written notice of such repurchase (a "Repurchase Notice"), provided, that Counterparty agrees that this information does not constitute material non-public information; provided, further, if this information shall be material non-public information, it shall publicly disclosed immediately. Counterparty agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Seller and its affiliates and their respective officers, directors, employees, affiliates, advisors, agents and controlling persons (each, an "Indemnified Person") from and against any and all losses (including losses relating to Seller's hedging activities as a consequence of remaining or becoming a Section 16 "insider" following the closing of the Business Combination, including without limitation, any forbearance from hedging activities or cessation of hedging activities and any losses in connection therewith with respect to the Transaction), claims, damages, judgments, liabilities and expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees), joint or several, which an Indemnified Person may become subject to, as a result of Counterparty's failure to provide Seller with a Repurchase Notice on the day and in the manner specified in this paragraph, and to reimburse, within 30 days, upon written request, each of such Indemnified Persons for any reasonable legal or other expenses incurred in connection with investigating, preparing for, providing testimony or other evidence in connection with or defending any of the foregoing; provided, however, for the avoidance of doubt, Counterparty has no indemnification or other obligations with respect to Seller becoming a Section 16 "insider" prior to the closing of the Business Combination. If any suit, action, proceeding (including any governmental or regulatory investigation), claim or demand shall be brought or asserted against the Indemnified Person as a result of Counterparty's failure to provide Seller with a Repurchase Notice in accordance with this paragraph, such Indemnified Person shall promptly notify Counterparty in writing, and Counterparty, upon request of the Indemnified Person, shall retain counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Indemnified Person to represent the Indemnified Person and any others Counterparty may designate in such proceeding and shall pay the fees and expenses of such counsel related to such proceeding. Counterparty shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding contemplated by this paragraph that is effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, Counterparty agrees to indemnify any Indemnified Person from and against any loss or liability by reason of such settlement or judgment. Counterparty shall not, without the prior written consent of the Indemnified Person, effect any settlement of any pending or threatened proceeding contemplated by this paragraph that is in respect of which any Indemnified Person is or could have been a party and indemnity could have been sought hereunder by such Indemnified Person, unless such settlement includes an unconditional release of such Indemnified Person from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such proceeding on terms reasonably satisfactory to such Indemnified Person. If the indemnification provided for in this paragraph is unavailable to an Indemnified Person or insufficient in respect of any losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to therein, then Counterparty hereunder, in lieu of indemnifying such Indemnified Person thereunder, shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such Indemnified Person as a result of such losses, claims, damages or liabilities. The remedies provided for in this paragraph are not exclusive and shall not limit any rights or remedies which may otherwise be available to any Indemnified Person at law or in equity. The indemnity and contribution agreements contained in this paragraph shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of the termination of the Transaction.

(c) <u>Transfer or Assignment</u>. The Seller may freely transfer or assign the rights and duties under this Confirmation. If at any time following the closing of the Business Combination at which (A) the Section 16 Percentage exceeds 9.9%, or (B) the Share Amount exceeds the Applicable Share Limit, if any applies (any such condition described in clause (A) or (B), and "Excess Ownership Position"), Seller is unable to effect a transfer or assignment of a portion of the Transaction to a third party on pricing terms reasonably acceptable to Seller and within a time period reasonably acceptable to Seller such that no Excess Ownership Position exists, then Seller may designate any Local Business Day as an Early Termination Date with respect to a portion of the Transaction (the "Terminated Portion"), such that following such partial termination no Excess Ownership Position exists. In the event that Seller so designates an Early Termination Date with respect to a portion of the Transaction, a portion of the Shares with respect to the Transaction shall be delivered to Counterparty as if the Early Termination Date was the Valuation Date in respect of a Transaction having terms identical to the Transaction and a Number of Shares equal to the number of Shares underlying the Terminated Portion. The "Section 16 Percentage" as of any day is the fraction, expressed as a percentage, as determined by Seller, (A) the numerator of which is the number of Shares that Seller and each person subject to aggregation of Shares with Seller under Section 13 or Section 16 of the Exchange Act and rules promulgated thereunder and all persons who may form a "group" (within the meaning of Rule 13d-5(b)(1) of the Exchange Act) with Seller directly or indirectly beneficially own (as defined under Section 13 or Section 16 of the Exchange Act and rules promulgated thereunder) (the "Seller Group") and (B) the denominator of which is the number of Shares outstanding.

The "Share Amount" as of any day is the number of Shares that Seller and any person whose ownership position would be aggregated with that of Seller and any group (however designated) of which Seller is a member (Seller or any such person or group, a "Seller Person") under any law, rule, regulation, regulatory order or organizational documents or contracts of Counterparty that are, in each case, applicable to ownership of Shares ("Applicable Restrictions"), owns, beneficially owns, constructively owns, controls, holds the power to vote or otherwise meets a relevant definition of ownership under any Applicable Restriction, as determined by Seller in its sole discretion.

The "Applicable Share Limit" means a number of Shares equal to (A) the minimum number of Shares that could give rise to reporting (other than on Schedule 13D or 13G) or registration obligations or other requirements (including obtaining prior approval from any person or entity) of a Seller Person, or could result in an adverse effect on a Seller Person, under any Applicable Restriction, as determined by Seller in its sole discretion, minus (B) 0.1% of the number of Shares outstanding.

(d) <u>Indemnification</u>. Counterparty agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Seller, its affiliates and its assignees and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents and controlling persons (each such person being an "Indemnified Party") from and against any and all losses (but not including financial losses to an Indemnified Party relating to the economic terms of the Transaction provided that the Counterparty performs its obligations under this Confirmation in accordance with its terms), claims, damages and liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) expenses, joint or several, incurred by or asserted against such Indemnified Party arising out of, in connection with, or relating to, investigating, preparing or defending against any litigation, commenced or threatened, or any claim whatsoever, whether arising out of any action between any of the Indemnified Parties and the Counterparty or between any of the Indemnified Parties and any third party, or otherwise) to which they or any of them may become subject under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or any other statute or at common law or otherwise or under the laws of foreign countries, arising out of or based upon the Transaction, including the execution or delivery of this Confirmation, the performance by Counterparty of its obligations under the Transaction, any breach of any covenant, representation or warranty made by Counterparty in this Confirmation or the ISDA Form, regulatory filings and submissions made by or on behalf of the Counterparty related to the Transaction (other than as relates to any information provided in writing by or on behalf of Seller or its affiliates), or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, including the Registration Statement or any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any registration statement, press release, filings or other document, or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. Counterparty will not be liable under the foregoing indemnification provision to the extent that any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense is related to the manner in which Seller sells, or arising out of any sales by Seller of, any Shares, including the Recycled Shares or found in a nonappealable judgment by a court of competent jurisdiction to have resulted from Seller's material breach of any covenant, representation or other obligation in this Confirmation or the ISDA Form or from Seller's willful misconduct, bad faith or gross negligence in performing the services that are subject of the Transaction. If for any reason the foregoing indemnification is unavailable to any Indemnified Party or insufficient to hold harmless any Indemnified Party, then Counterparty shall contribute, to the maximum extent permitted by law, to the amount paid or payable by the Indemnified Party as a result of such loss, claim, damage or liability. In addition (and in addition to any other Reimbursement of Legal Fees and other Expenses contemplated by this Confirmation), Counterparty will reimburse any Indemnified Party for all reasonable, out-ofpocket, expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and expenses) as they are incurred in connection with the investigation of, preparation for or defense or settlement of any pending or threatened claim or any action, suit or proceeding arising therefrom, whether or not such Indemnified Party is a party thereto and whether or not such claim, action, suit or proceeding is initiated or brought by or on behalf of Counterparty. Counterparty also agrees that no Indemnified Party shall have any liability to Counterparty or any person asserting claims on behalf of or in right of Counterparty in connection with or as a result of any matter referred to in this Confirmation except to the extent that any losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses incurred by Counterparty result from such Indemnified Party's breach of any covenant, representation or other obligation in this Confirmation or the ISDA Form or from the gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith of the Indemnified Party or breach of any U.S. federal or state securities laws or the rules, regulations or applicable interpretations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The provisions of this paragraph shall survive the completion of the Transaction contemplated by this Confirmation and any assignment and/or delegation of the Transaction made pursuant to the ISDA Form or this Confirmation shall inure to the benefit of any permitted assignee of Seller.

- (e) <u>Amendments to Equity Definitions.</u>
  - (i) Section 12.6(a)(ii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by (i) deleting from the fourth line thereof the word "or" after the word "official" and inserting a comma therefor, and (ii) deleting the semi-colon at the end of subsection (B) thereof and inserting the following words therefor "or (C) the occurrence of any of the events specified in Section 5(a)(vii)(1) through (9) of the ISDA Form with respect to that Issuer."; and
  - (ii) Section 12.6(c)(ii) of the Equity Definitions is hereby amended by replacing the words "the Transaction will be cancelled," in the first line with the words "Seller will have the right, which it must exercise or refrain from exercising, as applicable, in good faith acting in a commercially reasonable manner, to cancel the Transaction,";
- (f) <u>Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. Each party waives, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, any right it may have to a trial by jury in respect of any suit, action or proceeding relating to the Transaction. Each party (i) certifies that no representative, agent or attorney of either party has represented, expressly or otherwise, that such other party would not, in the event of such a suit, action or proceeding, seek to enforce the foregoing waiver and (ii) acknowledges that it and the other party have been induced to enter into the Transaction, as applicable, by, among other things, the mutual waivers and certifications provided herein.
- (g) <u>Attorney and Other Fees.</u> Subject to clause (d) Indemnification (above), in the event of any legal action initiated by any party arising under or out of, in connection with or in respect of, this Confirmation or the Transaction, the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and expenses incurred in such action, as determined and fixed by the court.
- (h) <u>Tax Disclosure</u>. Effective from the date of commencement of discussions concerning the Transaction, Counterparty and each of its employees, representatives, or other agents may disclose to any and all persons, without limitation of any kind, the tax treatment and tax structure of the Transaction and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) that are provided to Counterparty relating to such tax treatment and tax structure.
- (i) <u>Securities Contract; Swap Agreement.</u> The parties hereto intend for (i) the Transaction to be (a) a "securities contract" as defined in the Bankruptcy Code, in which case each payment and delivery made pursuant to the Transaction is a "termination value," "payment amount" or "other transfer obligation" within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and a "settlement payment," within the meaning of Section 546 of the Bankruptcy Code, and (b) a "swap agreement" as defined in the Bankruptcy Code, with respect to which each payment and delivery hereunder or in connection herewith is a "termination value," "payment amount" or "other transfer obligation" within the meaning of Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code and a "transfer," as such term is defined in Section 101(54) of the Bankruptcy Code and a "payment or other transfer of property" within the meaning of Sections 362 and 546 of the Bankruptcy Code, and the parties hereto to be entitled to the protections afforded by, among other Sections, Sections 362(b)(6), 362(b)(17), 546(e), 546(g), 555 and 560 of the Bankruptcy Code, (ii) a party's right to liquidate, terminate and accelerate the Transaction and to exercise any other remedies upon the occurrence of any Event of Default under the ISDA Form with respect to the other party to constitute a "contractual right" as described in the Bankruptcy Code, and (iii) each payment and delivery of cash, securities or other property hereunder to otherwise constitute a "margin payment" or "settlement payment" and a "transfer" as defined in the Bankruptcy Code.
- (j) <u>Process Agent</u>. For the purposes of Section 13(c) of the ISDA Form:

Seller appoints as its Process Agent: None

Counterparty appoints as its Process Agent: None.

[Signature page follows]

Please confirm that the foregoing correctly sets forth the terms of earliest convenience.	four agreement by executing a copy of this Confirmation and returning it to us at your	
	Very truly yours,	
	VELLAR OPPORTUNITY FUND SPV LLC – SERIES 3	
	By: Name: Title:	
Agreed and accepted by:		
AESTHER HEALTHCARE ACQUISITION CORP.		
Ву:		
Name: Suren Ajjarapu Title: Chief Executive Officer		
OCEAN BIOMEDICAL, INC.		

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By:

Name: Chirinjeev Kathuria
Title: Executive Chairman

## **SCHEDULE A**

## FORM OF PRICING DATE NOTICE

Date: [•], 2023

To: Aesther Healthcare Acquisition Corp. ("Counterparty") Address: [ ]

Phone: [●]

From: Vellar Opportunity Fund SPV LLC - Series 3 ("Seller") Re: OTC Equity Prepaid Forward Transaction

- 1. This Pricing Date Notice supplements, forms part of, and is subject to the Confirmation Re: OTC Equity Prepaid Forward Transaction dated as of February [●], 2023 (the "Confirmation") between Counterparty and Seller, as amended and supplemented from time to time. All provisions contained in the Confirmation govern this Pricing Date Notice except as expressly modified below.
- 2. The purpose of this Pricing Date Notice is to confirm certain terms and conditions of the Transaction entered into between Seller and Counterparty pursuant to the Confirmation.

Pricing Date: [●], 2023

Number of Recycled Shares: [•]