

Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC  
1941 Stryker Way  
Portage, MI 49002  
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Date: October 10, 2025

RE: Reference no:2210271392

RUTHERFORD COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA  
339 CALLAHAN KOON RD  
SPINDALE, North Carolina 28160

Thank you for choosing Stryker for your equipment needs. Enclosed please find the documents necessary to enter into the arrangement. Once all of the documents are completed, properly executed and returned to us, we will issue an order for the equipment.

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS TO EXPEDITE THE SHIPMENT OF YOUR ORDER.

- Short Form Lease Agreement
- Exhibit A - Detail of Equipment
- Insurance Requirements
- State and Local Government Rider
- Opinion of Counsel

**\*\*Conditions of Approval: Accounts Payable Contact Information, Certificate of Insurance, State and Local Government Rider, Opinion of Counsel**

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING WITH THE COMPLETED DOCUMENTS:

|                                                  |       |                              |       |
|--------------------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------|-------|
| Federal Tax ID number:                           | _____ | Accounts Payable contact:    | _____ |
| Purchase order number:                           | _____ | Accounts Payable Email:      | _____ |
| Upfront payment check number<br>(if applicable): | _____ | Accounts Payable Phone:      | _____ |
|                                                  |       | Accounts Payable Address:    | _____ |
| Administrative Contact(s):                       |       |                              |       |
| Administrative contact name:                     | _____ | Administrative contact name: | _____ |
| Email address:                                   | _____ | Email address:               | _____ |
| Phone number:                                    | _____ | Phone number:                | _____ |

Please send completed documents to your Stryker team for processing or fax documents to (877) 204-1332.

If you have any questions regarding these documents, please contact your Stryker team.

The proposal evidenced by these documents is valid through the last business day of October, 2025

Sincerely,  
Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC

Notice: To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, U.S. Federal law requires financial institutions to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person (individuals or businesses) who opens an account. What this means for you: When you open an account or add any additional service, we will ask you for your name, address, federal employer identification number and other information that will allow us to identify you. We may also ask to see other identifying documents. For your records, the federal employer identification number for Flex Financial, a Division of Stryker Sales, LLC is 38-2902424.

## Short Form Lease Agreement No.2210271392

Owner ("we" or "us") :  
Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC  
1941 Stryker Way  
Portage, MI 49002

|                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| Customer name and address ("You" and "Your"):<br>RUTHERFORD COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA<br>339 CALLAHAN KOON RD<br>SPINDALE, North Carolina 28160 | <b>Supplier:</b><br>Stryker Sales, LLC, 3800 E. Centre Avenue, Portage, MI 49002<br><b>Equipment description: (see attached Exhibit A which is a part of this Agreement.)</b><br><b>Equipment Location:</b><br>339 CALLAHAN KOON RD<br>SPINDALE, North Carolina 28160 |
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### Payment information

| # of lease payments | Payment frequency | Lease payment                                                                                                                        | Terms of Agreement in months: 49<br>Equipment purchase option: Fair Market Value Option<br>Equipment purchase option shall be FMV unless another option is stated above. |                      |         |                        |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|---------|------------------------|
| Number of payments  | Payment frequency | Payment amount                                                                                                                       | Security deposit                                                                                                                                                         | First period payment | Other   | Total payment enclosed |
| 5                   | Annual            | \$252,355.65 (First payment due 30 days after Agreement is commenced), (plus applicable sales/use taxes - see "Taxes" section below) | \$0.00                                                                                                                                                                   | +\$0.00              | +\$0.00 | =\$0.00                |

**1. Lease:** You ("Customer") agree to lease from us ("Owner") the equipment (including software and/or software license fees ("Software"), if any, "Equipment") listed above and on any attached schedule in accordance with the terms of this Agreement (this "Agreement"). This Agreement starts on the day the Equipment is delivered to you ("Commencement Date") and continues for the number of months described above (the "Term"). The Lease Payments ("Payments") shall be payable beginning on the Commencement Date or any later date we designate and thereafter until all fully paid. **Your obligations under this Agreement ("Obligations") are absolute, unconditional, and are not subject to cancellation, defense, recoupment, reduction, setoff or counterclaim.** If a Payment is not made when due, you will pay us a late charge of 5% for each Payment or \$10.00, whichever is greater. We may charge you a fee of \$55.00 for any check that is returned. You authorize us to adjust the Payments at any time if taxes included in the Payments differ from our estimate. You agree that the Payments were calculated by us based, in part, on an interest rate equivalent as quoted on Bloomberg under the SOFR Swap Rate, that would have a repayment term equivalent to the Term (or an interpolated rate if a like-term is not available) as reasonably determined by us (and if the SOFR Swap Rate is no longer provided by Bloomberg, such rate shall be determined in good faith by us from such sources as we shall determine to be comparable to Bloomberg [or any successor]) and in the event the Term of this Agreement starts more than 30 days after we send this Agreement to you, we may adjust the Payments once to compensate us, in good faith, for any increase in such rate. "SOFR" with respect to any day means the secured overnight financing rate published for such day by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, as the administrator of the benchmark, (or a successor administrator) on the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's Website as quoted by Bloomberg. You shall be deemed to have accepted the Equipment for lease hereunder upon the date that is ten (10) days after it is shipped to you by the Supplier and, at our request, you shall confirm for us such acceptance. No acceptance of any item of Equipment may be revoked by you.

**2. Title and laws:** Unless you have a \$1.00 purchase option, we own the Equipment and you have the right to use the Equipment during the Term, provided you comply with the terms of this Agreement. If you have a \$1.00 purchase option or this Agreement is deemed to be a security agreement, you grant us a security interest in the Equipment and all proceeds therefrom, and authorize us to file financing statements on your behalf. You agree not to permit any lien, claim or encumbrance to be placed upon the Equipment. You shall comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations and manufacturer's specifications and instructions concerning the operation, ownership, use and/or possession of the Equipment.

**3. Equipment use, maintenance and warranties:** Any assignee (as defined below) is leasing the Equipment to you "AS-IS" AND MAKES NO WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. You must, at your cost, keep the Equipment in good working condition. If Payments include maintenance and/or service costs, you agree that (i) no Assignee is responsible to provide the maintenance or service, (ii) you will make all maintenance and service related claims to the persons providing the maintenance, service or warranty, and (iii) any maintenance, warranty or service claims will not impact your Obligations. The Equipment cannot be moved from the location above without our prior written consent. **STRYKER SALES, LLC (INCLUDING FLEX FINANCIAL, A DIVISION OF STRYKER SALES, LLC) MAKES NO IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE REGARDING ANY EQUIPMENT. This Agreement will not impair any express warranties or indemnifications or other obligations of Stryker Corporation or any of its subsidiaries to you regarding the Equipment and we hereby assign all of our rights in any Equipment warranties to you.**

**4. Assignment:** You agree not to transfer, sell, sublease, assign, pledge or encumber the Equipment or any rights under this Agreement without our prior written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, and if you do, even with our consent, you will still be fully responsible for all your Obligations. You shall provide us with at least 45 days' prior written notice of any change to your principal place of business, organization or incorporation. You agree that we may, without notice to you, sell, assign, or transfer ("Transfer") this Agreement to a third party (each, an "Assignee"), and each Assignee will have our Transferred rights, but none of our obligations, and such rights **will not be subject to any claims, recoupment, defenses, or setoffs that you may have against us or any supplier** even though an Assignee may continue to bill and collect all of your Obligations in the name of "Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC".

**5. Risk of loss, insurance and reimbursement:** Effective upon delivery to you and continuing until the Equipment is returned to us in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, you shall bear all risk of Equipment loss or damage. If any such loss or damage occurs you still must satisfy all of your Obligations. You will (i) keep the Equipment insured against all risks of loss or damage for an amount equal to its replacement cost, (ii) list us as the insurance sole loss payee and (iii) give us written proof of the insurance. If you do not provide such insurance, we have the right, without obligation, to obtain such insurance and add an insurance fee (which may include a profit) to the amount due from you. You will obtain and maintain comprehensive public liability insurance naming us as an additional insured with coverages and amounts acceptable to us. To the extent not expressly prohibited by applicable law, you will reimburse and defend us, including each Assignee for and against any losses, injuries, damages, liabilities, expenses, claims or legal proceedings asserted against or incurred by us, including any Assignee, relating to the Equipment and which relate to or arise out of your act or omission or the act or omission of your agents or employees or others (excluding us) with access to the Equipment. The terms of this paragraph will continue after the termination, cancellation or expiration of this Agreement.

**6. Taxes:** You agree to pay when due, either directly or as reimbursement to us, all taxes (i.e., sales, use and personal property) and charges in connection with ownership and use of the Equipment. We may charge you a processing fee for administering property tax filings. To the extent not expressly prohibited by applicable law, you will indemnify us on an after-tax basis, on demand, against the loss or unavailability of any of our anticipated equipment ownership tax benefits caused by your act or omission.

**7. Default remedies:** You are in default under this Agreement if: a) you fail to pay a Payment or any other amount when due; or b) you breach any other obligation under this Agreement or any other agreement with us; or c) your principal owner or any guarantor of this Agreement dies; d) you or any guarantor dissolves, ceases to do business as a going concern, becomes insolvent, bankrupt, merges, or is sold; or e) You or any guarantor fails to pay any other material obligation owed to us or any of our affiliates. Upon default, we may: a) declare the entire balance of unpaid Payments for the full Term immediately due and payable; b) sue you for and receive the total amount due plus the Equipment's anticipated end-of-Term fair market value ("FMV") or fixed price purchase option (the "Residual") with future Payments and Residual discounted to the date of default at the lesser of (i) a per annum interest rate equivalent to that of a U.S. Treasury constant maturity obligation (as reported by the U.S. Treasury Department) that would have a repayment term equal to the remaining Term, all as reasonably determined by us; or (ii) 3% per annum, but only to the extent permitted by law; c) charge you interest on all monies due at the rate of 18% per year from the date of default until paid; and/or d) require you to immediately return the Equipment to us or we may peaceably repossess it. Upon default, you will also pay all expenses including but not limited to reasonable attorneys fees, legal costs, cost of storage and shipping incurred by us in the enforcement and attempted enforcement of any remedies under this Agreement. Any return or repossession will not be considered an Agreement termination or cancellation. If the Equipment is returned or repossessed we may sell or re-rent the Equipment at terms we determine, at one or more public or private sales, with or without notice to you, and apply the net proceeds (after deducting any related expenses) to your obligations. You remain liable for any deficiency with any excess being retained by us.

**8. End of term/Renewal:** You will give us at least 90 days but not more than 180 days written notice (to our address above) before the initial Term (or any renewal term) expiration of your intention to purchase or return the Equipment, whereupon you may: a) purchase all, but not less than all, of the Equipment as indicated above or b) return all of the Equipment in good working condition at your cost how, when and where we direct. Any FMV purchase option amount will be determined by us based on the Equipment's in place value. **If you don't notify us, or if you don't a) purchase or b) return the Equipment as provided herein, this Agreement will automatically renew at the same Payment amount for consecutive 60-day periods.** If any Software license ("License") included hereunder passes title to you, such title shall automatically, and without further action, hereby vest in us, and you hereby agree to relinquish any subsequent Software title, purchase or use right claim. If, in connection with our Software rights, licensor's consent is required, you will assist us in obtaining such consent. If the \$1.00 Buyout is selected above, the first three sentences of this section 8 shall be void and upon expiration of the Term, you shall pay all amounts owed by you hereunder but unpaid as of such date plus \$1.00 (and any applicable taxes). Any purchase of the Equipment by you pursuant to a purchase option or \$1.00 Buyout shall be "AS IS, WHERE IS" without representation or warranty of any kind from us.

**9. Miscellaneous:** You acknowledge we have given you the Equipment supplier's name. We hereby notify you that you may have rights under the supplier's contract and may contact the supplier for a description of these rights. This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of Michigan. You agree (i) to waive any and all rights and remedies granted to you under Uniform Commercial Code Sections 2A-508 through 2A-522, and (ii) that the Equipment will only be used for business purposes and not for personal, family or household use. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts and any facsimile, photographic or other electronic transmission and/or electronic signing or manual signing of this Agreement by you and when manually countersigned by us or attached to our original signature counterpart shall constitute the sole original chattel paper as defined in the UCC for all purposes and will be admissible as legal evidence thereof; provided, however, that if this Agreement constitutes "electronic chattel paper" or "an electronic record evidencing chattel paper" under the UCC and both you and we have signed electronically, the version identified by us as the "single authoritative copy" is the chattel paper for purposes of perfection by control. You agree not to raise as a defense to the enforcement of this Agreement or any related documents hereto the fact that such documents were executed by electronic means. We may inspect the Equipment during the Term. No failure to act shall be deemed a waiver of any rights hereunder. If you fail to pay (within thirty days of invoice date) any freight, sales tax or other amounts related to the Equipment which are not financed hereunder and are billed directly by us to you, such amounts shall be added to the Payments set forth above (plus interest or additional charges thereon) and you authorize us to adjust such Payments accordingly. If you are required to report the components of your payment obligations hereunder to certain state and/or federal agencies or public health coverage programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SCHIP or others, and such amounts are not adequately disclosed in any attachment hereto, then Stryker Sales, LLC will, upon your written request, provide you with a detailed outline of the components of your payments which may include equipment, software, service and other related components. You acknowledge that you have not received any tax or accounting advice from us. You agree that you shall upon request from us, promptly provide to us a copy of your most recent annual financial statements and any of your other financial information (including interim financial statements) that we may request. You authorize us to share such information with our affiliates, subsidiaries and Assignees. **This Agreement, any schedules hereto, any attachments to this Agreement or any schedules and any express warranties made by Stryker Sales, LLC constitute the entire agreement between the parties hereto regarding the Equipment and its use and possession and supersede all prior agreements and discussions regarding the Equipment and any prior course of conduct. You waive all rights to any indirect, punitive, special or consequential damages in connection with the Equipment or this Agreement. There are no agreements, oral or written, between the parties which are contrary to the terms of this Agreement and such other documents. YOU AGREE THAT THIS IS A NON-CANCELLABLE AGREEMENT AND WAIVE TRIAL BY JURY.**

I CERTIFY THAT I AM AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THIS AGREEMENT FOR CUSTOMER

| Customer signature |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Signature:         | Date: |
| Print name:        |       |
| Title:             |       |

| Accepted by Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC |       |
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| Signature:                                                   | Date: |
| Print name:                                                  |       |
| Title:                                                       |       |

## Exhibit A to Short Form Lease Agreement Number 2210271392

## Description of equipment

**Customer name:** RUTHERFORD COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**Delivery Location:** 339 CALLAHAN KOON RD, SPINDALE, North Carolina , 28160**Part I - Equipment/Service Coverage (if applicable)**

| Model number    | Equipment description                                                                                 | Quantity |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>SHIP TO:</b> | <b><u>RUTHERFORD CO EMS, 339 CALLAHAN KOON RD, SPINDALE, North Carolina, 28160, United States</u></b> |          |
| 650705550001    | 6507 POWER PRO 2, HIGH CONFIG                                                                         | 10       |
| 650707000002    | KIT, ALVARIUM BATTERY, SERVICE                                                                        | 4        |
| 650700450301    | ASSEMBLY, BATTERY CHARGER                                                                             | 4        |
| 650700450102    | ASSEMBLY, POWER CORD, NORTH AM                                                                        | 4        |
| 70335-000042    | LP35,EN-US,MAS-SP/CO,MED-CO2,SUN-NIBP,12L,WIFI/CELL/LN/CPRIN,STD,BT                                   | 12       |
| 41335-000003    | SHIP KIT, POWER SUPPLY,LP35                                                                           | 13       |
| 11140-000131    | POWER CORD,C13 ST,10FT,HOSPITAL GRADE                                                                 | 13       |
| 11996-000519    | SENSOR,LNCS-II RAINBOW DCI 8-LAMBDA SPCO,ADULT M                                                      | 16       |
| 11996-000456    | SENSOR,SPO2, RDSET DCI,ADULT,REUSE,3FT,MASIMO                                                         | 16       |
| 11335-000005    | KIT, PRINTER, LP35                                                                                    | 12       |
| 11335-000008    | KIT, STORAGE BAGS, LP35                                                                               | 12       |
| 11260-000073    | KIT, SHOULDER STRAP, LP35                                                                             | 12       |
| 11111-000041    | ASSY, CABLE, ECG, 15 LEAD, 3 WIRE PRECOR                                                              | 16       |
| 11111-000036    | ASSY, CABLE, ECG, 4 WIRE, AHA, 5 FT                                                                   | 4        |
| 11111-000037    | ASSY, CABLE, ECG, 15LEAD, 6 WIRE PRECORD                                                              | 4        |
| 11113-000008    | ASSY, CABLE, THERAPY, LP35, IFU                                                                       | 2        |
| 21300-008159    | NIBP - TUBING, 6FT, BAYONET, UDI                                                                      | 2        |
| 11997-000298    | CABLE,PATIENT,RD RNBOW,SET RA25-04,EMS,MASIMO                                                         | 4        |
| 11330-000026    | ASSY, DOCKING STATION, LP35                                                                           | 12       |
| 11996-000536    | PATIENT SIMULATOR, ECG,15-LEAD                                                                        | 2        |
| TR-LP15H-LP35   | TRADE IN LP15 V4 HIGH FOR LP35                                                                        | 8        |
| TR-SPCOT-PP2    | TR-SYK PCOT TO PP2                                                                                    | 10       |
| 11150-000020    | KIT, MODEM, NA, LP35                                                                                  | 12       |

**Total equipment:** \$1,056,058.90**Service coverage:**

| Model number      | Service coverage description  | Quantity | Years |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|----------|-------|
| POWERPRO-PROCARE  | PROCARE-SVC-POWERPRO          | 10       | 5.00  |
| LIFEPAK35-FLD-PRO | ProCare-SVC-LP35-FIELD-REPAIR | 12       | 5.00  |
| 81000001          | EMS LIFENET PRO TIER 1        | 1        | 5.00  |

**Total service coverage:** \$206,343.00**Freight:** \$15,651.77

Total Amount: \$1,278,053.67

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| Customer signature |       |
| Signature:         | Date: |
| Print name:        |       |
| Title:             |       |

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| Accepted by Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC |       |
| Signature:                                                   | Date: |
| Print name:                                                  |       |
| Title:                                                       |       |

## Insurance requirements

|                               |                                                      |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Customer name:</b>         | RUTHERFORD COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA                    |
| <b>Customer address:</b>      | 339 CALLAHAN KOON RD, SPINDALE, North Carolina 28160 |
| <b>Agreement no.:</b>         | 2210271392                                           |
| <b>Equipment location:</b>    | 339 CALLAHAN KOON RD, SPINDALE, North Carolina 28160 |
| <b>Equipment description:</b> | Medical Equipment                                    |
| <b>Insurable value:</b>       | \$1,056,058.90                                       |

Please complete the following or provide copies of property and general liability insurance certificates.

Agency name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone no.: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, the customer authorizes Flex Financial to contact the insurance agent named above to issue:

1. All risks to property insurance with respect to the Equipment, **evidenced by a certificate of insurance (on form Acord 27), naming Flex Financial, its successors and assigns as lender's loss payee.**
2. Comprehensive general liability insurance with respect to the Equipment, **evidenced by a certificate of insurance (on form Acord 25), naming Flex Financial, its successors and assigns as additional insured.**

The following insurance details must be noted on the certificate(s) of insurance provided by the insurance agent:

- Property insurance deductible amount no more than **\$10,000.00**
- Liability insurance minimum amount of **\$1,000,000.00**
- Certificate holder:

Flex Financial, a division of Stryker sales, LLC and its successors and assigns  
1941 Stryker Way  
Portage, MI 49002

**Customer:** Please forward this completed form to [StrykerFinancialSolutions@stryker.com](mailto:StrykerFinancialSolutions@stryker.com) as well as a copy to your insurance agent and have them include your agreement number(s) on the certificates of insurance (on forms Acord 25 and 27).

**Carrier:** Please email certificates of insurance (on forms Acord 25 and 27) to [StrykerFinancialSolutions@stryker.com](mailto:StrykerFinancialSolutions@stryker.com).

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| Customer signature |       |
| Signature:         | Date: |
| Print name:        |       |
| Title:             |       |

## State and Local Government Customer Rider

This State and Local Government Customer Rider (the "Rider") is an addition to and hereby made a part of **Short Form Lease Agreement No. 2210271392 (the "Agreement")** between **Flex Financial**, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC ("Owner") and RUTHERFORD COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA ("Customer") to be executed simultaneously herewith and to which this Rider is attached. Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Rider shall have the respective meanings provided in the Agreement. Owner and Customer agree as follows:

1. Customer represents and warrants to Owner that as of the date of, and throughout the Term of, the Agreement: (a) Customer is a political subdivision of the state or commonwealth in which it is located and is organized and existing under the constitution and laws of such state or commonwealth; (b) Customer has complied, and will comply, fully with all applicable laws, rules, ordinances, and regulations governing open meetings, public bidding and appropriations required in connection with the Agreement, the performance of its obligations under the Agreement and the acquisition and use of the Equipment; (c) The person(s) signing the Agreement and any other documents required to be delivered in connection with the Agreement (collectively, the "Documents") have the authority to do so, are acting with the full authorization of Customer's governing body, and hold the offices indicated below their signatures, each of which are genuine; (d) The Documents are and will remain valid, legal and binding agreements, and are and will remain enforceable against Customer in accordance with their terms; and (e) The Equipment is essential to the immediate performance of a governmental or proprietary function by Customer within the scope of its authority and will be used during the Term of the Agreement only by Customer and only to perform such function. Customer further represents and warrants to Owner that, as of the date each item of Equipment becomes subject to the Agreement and any applicable schedule, it has funds available to pay all Agreement payments payable thereunder until the end of Customer's then current fiscal year, and, in this regard and upon Owner's request, Customer shall deliver in a form acceptable to Owner a resolution enacted by Customer's governing body, authorizing the appropriation of funds for the payment of Customer's obligations under the Agreement during Customer's then current fiscal year.
2. To the extent permitted by applicable law, Customer agrees to take all necessary and timely action during the Agreement Term to obtain and maintain funds appropriations sufficient to satisfy its payment obligations under the Agreement (the "Obligations"), including, without limitation, providing for the Obligations in each budget submitted to obtain applicable appropriations, causing approval of such budget, and exhausting all available reviews and appeals if an appropriation sufficient to satisfy the Obligations is not made.
3. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary provided in the Agreement, if Customer does not appropriate funds sufficient to make all payments due during any fiscal year under the Agreement and Customer does not otherwise have funds available to lawfully pay the Agreement payments (a "Non-Appropriation Event"), and provided Customer is not in default of any of Customer's obligations under such Agreement as of the effective date of such termination, Customer may terminate such Agreement effective as of the end of Customer's last funded fiscal year ("Termination Date") without liability for future monthly charges or the early termination charge under such Agreement, if any, by giving at least 60 days' prior written notice of termination ("Termination Notice") to Owner.
4. If Customer terminates the Agreement prior to the expiration of the end of the Agreement's initial (primary) term, or any extension or renewal thereof, as permitted under Section 3 above, Customer shall (i) on or before the Termination Date, at its expense, pack and insure the related Equipment and send it freight prepaid to a location designated by Owner in the contiguous 48 states of the United States and all Equipment upon its return to Owner shall be in the same condition and appearance as when delivered to Customer, excepting only reasonable wear and tear from proper use and all such Equipment shall be eligible for manufacturer's maintenance, (ii) provide in the Termination Notice a certification of a responsible official that a Non-Appropriation Event has occurred, (iii) deliver to Owner, upon request by Owner, an opinion of Customer's counsel (addressed to Owner) verifying that the Non-Appropriation Event as set forth in the Termination Notice has occurred, and (iv) pay Owner all sums payable to Owner under the Agreement up to and including the Termination Date.
5. Any provisions in this Rider that are in conflict with any applicable statute, law or rule shall be deemed omitted, modified or altered to the extent required to conform thereto, but the remaining provisions hereof shall remain enforceable as written.

| Customer signature |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Signature:         | Date: |
| Print name:        |       |
| Title:             |       |

| Accepted by Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC |       |
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| Signature:                                                   | Date: |
| Print name:                                                  |       |
| Title:                                                       |       |

## Opinion of Counsel Letter

October 10, 2025

Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC  
1941 Stryker Way  
Portage, MI 49002

Gentlemen/Ladies:

Reference is made to Short Form Lease Agreement NO. 2210271392 (collectively, the "Agreement") between Flex Financial a division of Stryker Sales, LLC, and RUTHERFORD COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA (herein called "Customer") for the use of certain equipment, goods and/or services as described in the Agreement. Unless otherwise defined herein, terms which are defined or defined by reference in the Agreement or any exhibit or schedule thereto shall have the same meaning when used herein as such terms have therein.

The undersigned is Counsel for the Customer in connection with the negotiation, execution and delivery of the Agreement, and as such I am able to render a legal opinion as follows:

1. The Customer is a public body corporate and politic of the State of North Carolina and is authorized by the Constitution and laws of the State of North Carolina to enter into the transactions contemplated by the Agreement and to carry out its obligations thereunder. The Customer's name set forth above is the full, true and correct legal name of the Customer.
2. The Agreement set forth above has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Customer and constitutes a valid, legal and binding agreement, enforceable in accordance with its terms.
3. No further approval, consent or withholding of objections is required from any federal, state or local governmental authority and the Customer complied with all open meeting and public bidding laws with respect to the entering into or performance by the Customer of the Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby.
4. The Customer has no authority (statutory or otherwise) to terminate the Agreement prior to the end of its term for any reason other than pursuant to the State and Local Government Customer Rider (if there is such a Rider attached to the Agreement) for the nonappropriation of funds to pay the Agreement payments for any fiscal period during the term of the Agreement.

Very truly yours,

|                    |              |
|--------------------|--------------|
| <b>Signature</b>   |              |
| <b>Signature:</b>  | <b>Date:</b> |
| <b>Print Name:</b> |              |
| <b>Title:</b>      |              |