

**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):
May 22, 2024**

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number 001-33796

Maryland
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

26-0630461
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

630 Fifth Avenue, Ste 2400
New York, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

10111
(Zip Code)

(888) 895-6557

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Trading Symbol	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	CIM	New York Stock Exchange
8.00% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock	CIM PRA	New York Stock Exchange
8.00% Series B Cumulative Fixed-to-Floating Rate Redeemable Preferred Stock	CIM PRB	New York Stock Exchange
7.75% Series C Cumulative Fixed-to-Floating Rate Redeemable Preferred Stock	CIM PRC	New York Stock Exchange
8.00% Series D Cumulative Fixed-to-Floating Rate Redeemable Preferred Stock	CIM PRD	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

The information set forth in Item 2.03 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 1.01.

Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

On May 22, 2024, Chimera Investment Corporation (the “Company”) completed the issuance and sale of \$65 million aggregate principal amount of its 9.000% Senior Notes due 2029 (the “Notes”), in a public offering pursuant to the Company’s registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-261462) (the “Registration Statement”) and a related prospectus, as supplemented by a prospectus supplement dated May 15, 2024, filed with the Securities Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”). Pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement filed as Exhibit 1.1 to the Company’s Current Report on Form 8-K filed on May 16, 2024, the Company has also granted the Underwriters (as named in the Underwriting Agreement) a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional \$9.75 million aggregate principal amount of the Notes to cover over-allotments, if any.

The Notes were issued at 100% of the principal amount, bear interest at a rate equal to 9.000% per year, payable in cash quarterly in arrears on February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15 of each year, beginning on August 15, 2024, and are expected to mature May 15, 2029 (the “Maturity Date”), unless earlier redeemed. The Company may redeem the Notes in whole or in part at any time or from time to time at the Company’s option on or after May 15, 2026, upon not less than 30 days written notice to holders prior to the redemption date, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the outstanding principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date, as described in greater detail in the Indenture (as defined below).

The Notes were issued under the indenture, dated April 13, 2020 (the “Base Indenture”), as supplemented by the second supplemental indenture, dated May 22, 2024 (the “Second Supplemental Indenture,” and together with the Base Indenture, the “Indenture”), by and between the Company and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee. The Notes will be the Company’s senior unsecured obligations and will rank senior in right of payment to any future indebtedness that is expressly subordinated in right of payment to the Notes, equal in right of payment to the Company’s existing and future unsecured indebtedness that is not so subordinated, effectively junior to any existing and future secured indebtedness to the extent of the value of the assets securing such indebtedness and structurally junior to all existing and future indebtedness and any preferred equity of the Company’s subsidiaries as well as to any of the Company’s existing or future indebtedness that may be guaranteed by any of the Company’s subsidiaries (to the extent of any such guarantee).

The Indenture contains customary events of default. If there is an event of default under the Notes, the principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest (including additional interest, if any), may be declared immediately due and payable, subject to certain conditions set forth in the Indenture. These amounts automatically become due and payable in the case of certain types of bankruptcy or insolvency events of default involving the Company.

The net proceeds to the Company from the sale of the Notes, after deducting the Underwriters’ discounts and commissions and estimated offering expenses, are approximately \$62.5 million (\$71.9 million if the Underwriter’s over-allotment option is exercised in full). The Company intends to use the net proceeds from this offering to finance the acquisition of mortgage assets including residential mortgage loans, non-Agency RMBS, Agency RMBS, Agency CMBS and other targeted assets, and for other general corporate purposes such as repayment of outstanding indebtedness or to pay down other liabilities, working capital and for liquidity needs.

Copies of the Base Indenture, the Second Supplemental Indenture and the form of the Notes are attached hereto as Exhibit 4.1, Exhibit 4.2 and Exhibit 4.3, respectively, and are incorporated herein by reference. The foregoing summaries do not purport to be complete and are qualified in their entirety by reference to the Base Indenture, the Second Supplemental Indenture and the form of the Notes. In connection with the registration of the Notes under the Securities Act, the legal opinions of Venable LLP and Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP relating to the legality of the Notes are attached as Exhibit 5.1 and Exhibit 5.2, respectively, to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit

- 4.1 [Indenture, dated April 13, 2020, between the Company and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as Trustee \(incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated April 13, 2020\).](#)
- 4.2 [Second Supplemental Indenture, dated May 22, 2024, between the Company and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as Trustee \(incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.8 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A, dated May 22, 2024\).](#)
- 4.3 [Form of 9.000% Senior Notes Due 2029 of the Company \(attached as Exhibit A to the Second Supplemental Indenture, incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.9 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 8-A, dated May 22, 2024\).](#)
- 5.1* [Opinion of Venable LLP regarding the legality of the Notes.](#)
- 5.2* [Opinion of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP regarding the legality of the Notes.](#)
- 23.1* [Consent of Venable LLP \(included in Exhibit 5.1 hereto\).](#)
- 23.2* [Consent of Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP \(included in Exhibit 5.2 hereto\).](#)
- 104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL).

* Filed herewith.

SIGNATURE

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

Date: May 22, 2024

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION (REGISTRANT)

By: /s/ Miyun Sung
Name: Miyun Sung
Title: Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

May 22, 2024

Chimera Investment Corporation
630 Fifth Ave, Suite 2400
New York, New York 10111

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-261462)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as Maryland counsel to Chimera Investment Corporation, a Maryland corporation (the “Company”), in connection with certain matters of Maryland law relating to the registration of the offering and sale of up to \$74,750,000 aggregate principal amount of 9.000% Senior Notes due 2029 (the “Notes”) of the Company (including \$9,750,000 aggregate principal of Notes issuable pursuant to the exercise of an over-allotment option granted to the underwriters in the offering of the Notes), in an underwritten public offering covered by the above-referenced Registration Statement on Form S-3, and all amendments thereto (the “Registration Statement”), filed by the Company with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”).

In connection with our representation of the Company, and as a basis for the opinion hereinafter set forth, we have examined originals, or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of the following documents (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Documents”):

1. The Registration Statement and the related form of prospectus included therein and the supplement thereto, dated May 15, 2024, each substantially in the form in which it was filed with the Commission under the Securities Act;
2. The charter of the Company (the “Charter”), certified by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland (the “SDAT”);
3. The Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, certified as of the date hereof by an officer of the Company;
4. A certificate of the SDAT as to the good standing of the Company, dated as of a recent date;
5. Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company (the “Board”), and by a duly authorized committee of the Board (the “Resolutions”), relating to, among other matters, the registration and issuance of the Notes, certified as of the date hereof by an officer of the Company;

6. The Indenture, dated as of April 13, 2020 (the “Base Indenture”), by and between the Company and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee (the “Trustee”), as supplemented by the Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of May 22, 2024 (the “Supplemental Indenture” and, together with the Base Indenture, the “Indenture”), by and between the Company and the Trustee;

7. A certificate executed by an officer of the Company, dated as of the date hereof; and

8. Such other documents and matters as we have deemed necessary or appropriate to express the opinion set forth below, subject to the assumptions, limitations and qualifications stated herein.

In expressing the opinion set forth below, we have assumed the following:

1. Each individual executing any of the Documents, whether on behalf of such individual or another person, is legally competent to do so.

2. Each individual executing any of the Documents on behalf of a party (other than the Company) is duly authorized to do so.

3. Each of the parties (other than the Company) executing any of the Documents has duly and validly executed and delivered each of the Documents to which such party is a signatory, and such party’s obligations set forth therein are legal, valid and binding and are enforceable in accordance with all stated terms.

4. All Documents submitted to us as originals are authentic. The form and content of all Documents submitted to us as unexecuted drafts do not differ in any respect relevant to this opinion from the form and content of such Documents as executed and delivered. All Documents submitted to us as certified or photostatic copies conform to the original documents. All signatures on all Documents are genuine. All public records reviewed or relied upon by us or on our behalf are true and complete. All representations, warranties, statements and information contained in the Documents are true and complete. There has been no oral or written modification of or amendment to any of the Documents, and there has been no waiver of any provision of any of the Documents, by action or omission of the parties or otherwise.

Based upon the foregoing, and subject to the assumptions, limitations and qualifications stated herein, it is our opinion that:

1. The Company is a corporation duly incorporated and validly existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Maryland and is in good standing with the SDAT.

2. The issuance of the Notes has been duly authorized by the Company.

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The foregoing opinion is limited to the laws of the State of Maryland and we do not express any opinion herein concerning United States federal law or the laws of any other jurisdiction. We express no opinion as to compliance with any federal or state securities laws, including the securities laws of the State of Maryland, or as to federal or state laws regarding fraudulent transfers. To the extent that any matter as to which our opinion is expressed herein would be governed by the laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of Maryland, we do not express any opinion on such matter. The opinion expressed herein is subject to the effect of any judicial decision which may permit the introduction of parol evidence to modify the terms or the interpretation of agreements.

The opinion expressed herein is limited to the matters specifically set forth herein and no other opinion shall be inferred beyond the matters expressly stated. We assume no obligation to supplement this opinion if any applicable law changes after the date hereof or if we become aware of any fact that might change the opinion expressed herein after the date hereof.

This opinion is being furnished to you for submission to the Commission as an exhibit to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K (the "Current Report"), which is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement. We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Current Report and the said incorporation by reference and to the use of the name of our firm therein. In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required by Section 7 of the Securities Act.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Venable LLP



HUNTON ANDREWS KURTH LLP
FILE NO: 087330.0000067

May 22, 2024

Chimera Investment Corporation
630 Fifth Avenue, Ste 2400
New York, New York 10111

Re: 9.000% Senior Notes due 2029 issued by Chimera Investment Corporation

To the Addressees:

We have acted as counsel to Chimera Investment Corporation, a Maryland corporation (the "Issuer"), in connection with the Underwriting Agreement dated May 15, 2024 (the "Underwriting Agreement") among (i) the Issuer and (ii) Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, RBC Capital Markets, LLC, UBS Securities LLC, Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Keefe, Bruyette & Woods, Inc., and Piper Sandler & Co., as representatives of the several underwriters named therein (the "Underwriters"), relating to the sale by the Issuer to the Underwriters of \$65,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Issuer's 9.000% Senior Notes due 2029 (the "Firm Securities"). Within the Underwriting Agreement, the Issuer has granted an option to the Underwriters to purchase up to an additional \$9,750,000 aggregate principal amount of the Issuer's 9.000% Senior Notes due 2029 (the "Option Securities"). The Firm Securities and the Option Securities are collectively referred to herein as the "Securities."

The Firm Securities are being issued under an Indenture dated as of April 13, 2020 (the "Base Indenture") between the Issuer and Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"), as amended and supplemented by the Second Supplemental Indenture thereto dated as of May 22, 2024 (the "Second Supplemental Indenture"), between the Issuer and the Trustee (the Base Indenture, as amended and supplemented by the Second Supplemental Indenture, being referenced herein as the "Indenture").

This opinion is being furnished in accordance with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

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In rendering the opinions set forth herein, we have examined and relied on originals or copies, certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of the following:

(a) the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-261462) relating to securities to be issued by the Issuer from time to time including the Securities, filed by the Issuer, under the Securities Act with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) on December 2, 2021, including the base prospectus included in such registration statement (the “Base Prospectus”) and the other information set forth in the Incorporated Documents (as defined below) and incorporated by reference into such registration statement and therefore deemed to be a part thereof (such registration statement, at the time it became effective and including the Base Prospectus and such other information incorporated by reference into such registration statement, being referred to herein as the “Registration Statement”);

(b) the preliminary prospectus supplement dated May 15, 2024, relating to the Securities in the form filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the General Rules and Regulations (the “Rules and Regulations”) under the Securities Act (such preliminary prospectus supplement, together with the Base Prospectus, being referred to herein as the “Preliminary Prospectus”);

(c) the prospectus supplement dated May 15, 2024, relating to the Securities in the form filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the Rules and Regulations (such prospectus supplement, together with the Base Prospectus, being referred to herein as the “Prospectus”);

(d) the pricing term sheet dated May 15, 2024, relating to the Securities in the form filed with the SEC pursuant to Rule 433 of the Rules and Regulations (such document being referred to herein as the “Pricing Term Sheet”);

(e) each of the Issuer’s reports that have been filed with the SEC and are incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement (the “Incorporated Documents”);

(f) the Indenture;

(g) the form of the Securities;

(h) the form of Global Note representing the Firm Securities purchased and sold pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement;

(i) the Underwriting Agreement; and

(j) a certificate as to certain factual matters, dated the date hereof (the “Opinion Support Certificate”), executed by the Chief Financial Officer and by the Secretary of the Issuer.

We have also examined originals or copies, certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of such records of the Issuer and such agreements, certificates of public officials, certificates of officers or other representatives of the Issuer and others, and such other documents, certificates and records, as we have deemed necessary or appropriate as a basis for the opinions set forth herein. In our examination, we have assumed the legal capacity of all natural persons, the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, and the conformity to authentic original documents of all documents submitted to us as certified or photostatic copies. As to any facts material to the opinions and statements expressed herein that we did not independently establish or verify, we have relied, to the extent we deem appropriate, upon (i) oral or written statements and representations of officers and other representatives of the Issuer (including without limitation the facts certified in the Opinion Support Certificate) and (ii) statements and certifications of public officials and others.

As used herein the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below:

“Person” means a natural person or a legal entity organized under the laws of any jurisdiction.

“Transaction Documents” means collectively, the Underwriting Agreement, the Indenture and the Securities.

Based upon the foregoing and subject to the limitations, qualifications, exceptions and assumptions set forth herein, we are of the opinion that:

1. When authenticated by the Trustee in the manner provided in the Indenture and delivered to and paid for by the Underwriters in accordance with the Underwriting Agreement, the Firm Securities will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Issuer, entitled to the benefits of the Indenture and enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with their terms, under applicable laws of the State of New York.

We express no opinion as to the laws of any jurisdiction other than (i) applicable laws of the State of New York, (ii) applicable laws of the United States of America and (iii) certain other specified laws of the United States of America to the extent referred to specifically herein. References herein to “applicable laws” mean those laws, rules and regulations that, in our experience, are normally applicable to transactions of the type contemplated by the Transaction Documents, without our having made any special investigation as to the applicability of any specific law, rule or regulation, and that are not the subject of a specific opinion herein referring expressly to a particular law or laws; *provided however*, that such references do not include any municipal or other local laws, rules or regulations, or any laws, rules or regulations relating to fraud, labor, securities, tax, insurance, antitrust, money laundering, national security or the environment.

Our opinions expressed herein are subject to the following additional assumptions and qualifications:

(i) Our opinion in paragraph 1 above may be:

(1) limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent conveyance or transfer or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights of creditors generally; and

(2) subject to the application of general principles of equity (regardless of whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law), including, without limitation, the possible unavailability of specific performance, injunctive relief or any other equitable remedy and concepts of materiality, reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing.

(ii) Our opinion expressed in paragraph 1 above insofar as it pertains to any provisions of the instruments referred to in such paragraphs purporting to select New York law as governing or to constitute a submission to the jurisdiction of one or more specified courts, are rendered solely in reliance upon New York General Obligations Law §§ 5-1401 and 5-1402, and New York Civil Practice Law and Rules (“CPLR”) 327(b), and are expressly conditioned upon the assumption that the legality, validity, binding effect and enforceability of said provisions will be determined by a court of the State of New York or (in the case of provisions purporting to select New York law as governing) a United States federal court sitting in New York and applying New York choice of law rules, including said § 5-1401. We express no opinion as to any such provision if such legality, validity, binding effect or enforceability is determined by any other court, and we call your attention to the decision of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York in *Lehman Brothers Commercial Corp. v. Minmetals Int’l Non-Ferrous Metals Trading Co.*, 179 F. Supp. 2d 119 (S.D.N.Y. 2000), which, among other things, contains dicta relating to possible constitutional limitations upon said § 5-1401 in both domestic and international transactions. We express no opinion as to any such constitutional limitations upon said § 5-1401 or their effect, if any, upon any opinion herein expressed. Moreover, we advise you that said § 5-1402 by its terms applies only to actions or proceedings arising out of or relating to a contract for which a choice of New York law has been made in whole or in part pursuant to said § 5-1401, and that said CPLR 327(b) by its terms applies only to contracts, agreements and undertakings to which said § 5-1402 applies. We also call to your attention that Federal courts located in New York could decline to hear a case on grounds of *forum non-conveniens* or any other doctrine limiting the availability of the Federal courts in New York as a forum for the resolution of disputes not having a sufficient nexus to New York, and we express no opinion as to any waiver of rights to assert the applicability of the *forum non-conveniens* doctrine or any such other doctrine in such Federal courts.

(iii) We express no opinion as to the validity, effect or enforceability of any provisions:

(1) relating to rights of set-off or counterclaim, or the waiver thereof;

(2) purporting to establish evidentiary standards or limitations periods for suits or proceedings to enforce such documents or otherwise, to modify rules of contract construction, to establish certain determinations (including determinations of contracting parties and judgments of courts) as conclusive or conclusive absent manifest error, to commit the same to the discretion of any Person or permit any Person to act in its sole judgment or to waive rights to notice;

(3) providing that the assertion or employment of any right or remedy shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other right or remedy, or that each and every remedy shall be cumulative and in addition to every other remedy or that any delay or omission to exercise any right or remedy shall not impair any other right or remedy or constitute a waiver thereof;

(4) relating to severability or separability;

(5) purporting to limit the liability of, or to exculpate, any Person, including without limitation any provision that purports to waive liability for violation of securities laws;

(6) purporting to waive damages;

(7) that relate to indemnification, contribution or reimbursement obligations to the extent any such provisions (i) would purport to require any Person to provide indemnification, contribution or reimbursement in respect of the negligence, recklessness, willful misconduct or unlawful behavior of any Person, (ii) violate any law, rule or regulation (including any federal or state securities law, rule or regulation) or (iii) are determined to be contrary to public policy;

(8) purporting to require that all amendments, waivers and terminations be in writing or the disregard of any course of dealing or usage of trade;

(9) relating to consent to jurisdiction insofar as such provisions purport to confer subject matter jurisdiction upon any court that does not have such jurisdiction, whether in respect of bringing suit, enforcement of judgments or otherwise;

(10) purporting to limit the obligations of any party to the extent necessary to avoid such obligations constituting a fraudulent transfer or conveyance;

(11) purporting to require disregard of mandatory choice of law principles that could require application of a law other than the law expressly chosen to govern the instrument in which such provisions appear;

(12) purporting to waive the benefit or advantage of any stay, extension or usury law; or

(13) purporting to waive rights to trial by jury or rights to object to jurisdiction based on inconvenient forum.

(iv) In making our examination of executed documents, we have assumed (except to the extent that we expressly opine above) (1) the valid existence and good standing of each of the parties thereto, (2) that such parties had the power and authority, corporate, partnership, limited liability company or other, to enter into and to incur and perform all their obligations thereunder, (3) the due authorization by all requisite action, corporate, partnership, limited liability company or other, and the due execution and delivery by such parties of such documents and (4) to the extent such documents purport to constitute agreements, that each of such documents constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of each party thereto, enforceable against such party in accordance with its terms. In this paragraph (iv), all references to parties to documents shall be deemed to mean and include each of such parties, and each other person (if any) directly or indirectly acting on its behalf.

(v) Except to the extent that we expressly opine above, we have assumed that the execution and delivery of the Transaction Documents, and the incurrence and performance of the obligations thereunder of the parties thereto do not and will not contravene, breach, violate or constitute a default under (with the giving of notice, the passage of time or otherwise) (a) the certificate or articles of incorporation, certificate of formation, charter, bylaws, limited liability company agreement, limited partnership agreement or similar organic document of any such party, (b) any contract, indenture, mortgage, loan agreement, note, lease or other agreement or instrument, (c) any statute, law, rule, or regulation, (d) any judicial or administrative order or decree of any governmental authority, or (e) any consent, approval, license, authorization or validation of, or filing, recording or registration with, any governmental authority, in each case,

to which any party to the Transaction Documents or any of its subsidiaries or any of their respective properties may be subject, or by which any of them may be bound or affected. Further, we have assumed the compliance by each such party, other than the Issuer, with all laws, rules and regulations applicable to it, as well as the compliance by the Issuer, and each other person (if any) directly or indirectly acting on its behalf, with all laws, rules and regulations that may be applicable to it by virtue of the particular nature of the business conducted by it or any goods or services produced or rendered by it or property owned, operated or leased by it, or any other facts pertaining specifically to it. In this paragraph (v), all references to parties to the Transaction Documents, other than the first such reference, shall be deemed to mean and include each of such parties, and each other person (if any) directly or indirectly acting on its behalf.

(vi) We express no opinion as to the effect of the laws of any jurisdiction in which any holder of any Security is located (other than the State of New York) that limit the interest, fees or other charges such holder may impose for the loan or use of money or other credit.

(vii) Except to the extent that we expressly opine above, we have assumed that no authorization, consent or other approval of, notice to or registration, recording or filing with any court, governmental authority or regulatory body (other than routine informational filings, filings under the Securities Act and filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) is required to authorize, or is required in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Transaction Documents, the execution or delivery thereof by or on behalf of any party thereto or the incurrence or performance by any of the parties thereto of its obligations thereunder.

(viii) With respect to our opinions expressed above as they relate to provisions of the Base Indenture relating to debt securities denominated in a currency other than U.S. dollars, we note that (a) a New York statute provides that a judgment rendered by a court of the State of New York in respect of an obligation denominated in any such other currency would be rendered in such other currency and would be converted into Dollars at the rate of exchange prevailing on the date of entry of the judgment, and (b) a judgment rendered by a federal court sitting in the State of New York in respect of an obligation denominated in any such other currency may be expressed in Dollars, but we express no opinion as to the rate of exchange such federal court would apply.

(ix) We express no opinion as to Section 116 of the Indenture or any other provision of any Transaction Document providing for indemnity or reimbursement by any party against any loss in obtaining the currency due to such party under any of the Transaction Documents from a court judgment in another currency.

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(x) We point out that the submission to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Borough of Manhattan in The City of New York and the waivers of objection to venue contained in the Indenture cannot supersede a federal court's discretion in determining whether to transfer an action to another court.

(xi) We point out that the agent for service of process appointed pursuant to the Indenture, in its discretion, may fail to agree, or terminate its agreement, to serve as agent for service of process for the Issuer, in which event service of process upon such party would not be valid and effective for the purposes described in the Indenture.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion of counsel as Exhibit 5.2 to the Current Report on Form 8-K of the Issuer dated on or about the date hereof, to the incorporation by reference of this opinion of counsel into the Registration Statement and to the reference to our Firm under the heading "Legal Matters" in the Prospectus. In giving this consent, we do not thereby admit that we come within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder. The opinions and statements expressed herein are as of the date hereof only and are based on laws, orders, contract terms and provisions, and facts as of such date, and we disclaim any obligation to update this letter after such date or to advise you of changes of facts stated or assumed herein or any subsequent changes in law.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP