# 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

February 28, 2024

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

## **ON Semiconductor Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

001-39317

(Commission

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction

36-3840979

(IRS Employer

of incorporation)		File Number)	Identification No.)			
	ON Semiconductor 5701 N. Pima					
	Scottsdale, Ar	rizona	85250			
(Address of principal executive		ecutive offices)	(Zip Code)			
	(I	(602) 244-6600 Registrant's telephone number, including area code)				
	(Form	er name or former address, if changed since last repo	rt.)			
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## Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangement of Certain Officers

On February 28, 2024 (the "Effective Date"), Semiconductor Components Industries, LLC ("SCILLC"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of ON Semiconductor Corporation (the "Corporation"), entered into its standard form of Executive Vice President/Group President employment agreement (the "New Agreement") with Simon Keeton, Group President and General Manager of the Corporation's Power Solutions Group. The New Agreement, the form of which has been used for Executive Vice Presidents since 2021, replaces and supersedes Mr. Keeton's previous employment agreement, dated January 1, 2019, as of the Effective Date. The New Agreement has no specified term of years.

Base Salary and Target Bonus for Mr. Keeton. The New Agreement provides for an annual base salary of \$600,000 and an annual target bonus opportunity of 100% of base salary, each of which is subject to review and adjustment from time to time by the Human Capital and Compensation Committee of the Corporation's board of directors.

Obligations Upon Certain Termination Events.

Without Cause or For Good Reason. Under the New Agreement, if SCILLC terminates Mr. Keeton's employment without "cause," or Mr. Keeton resigns for "good reason" (as those terms are defined in the New Agreement), SCILLC will pay him: (i) a continuation of base salary for one year after the date of termination, subject to the restrictions noted below, in accordance with SCILLC's ordinary payroll practices; (ii) an amount equal to one times his target annual bonus in effect for the then-current performance cycle; and (iii) vesting of a pro-rata portion of any outstanding, unvested performance-based restricted stock units ("PBRSUs"), based on the number of days of employment during the performance period and actual performance on the underlying metrics. In addition, SCILLC would continue to cover the employer portion of COBRA coverage for medical, dental, and vision benefits for two years following termination and would provide outplacement assistance up to a maximum of \$25,000.

Without Cause or For Good Reason Following a Change in Control. Under the New Agreement, if Mr. Keeton's termination without cause or resignation for good reason occurs within two years following a "change in control" (as defined in the New Agreement), then, in lieu of the payments and benefits otherwise due him on such a termination, he would be entitled to receive: (i) 1.2 times (rather than one times) his target annual bonus in effect for the then-current performance cycle; (iii) full vesting (rather than a pro-rata portion) of any outstanding, unvested PBRSUs at the target level (or based on actual performance, if the performance period ended prior to the termination date); (iv) full vesting of any outstanding, unvested time-based restricted stock units; and (v) the same COBRA premium coverage and outplacement assistance he would be entitled to receive upon such a termination in the absence of a change in control. In the event that the amounts payable to Mr. Keeton in connection with a "change in control" would constitute "parachute payments" under Section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, thus triggering an excise tax under Section 4999, the New Agreement provides for a "best net" approach (reducing the payments and benefits otherwise provided to him if it would be more favorable to him on a net after-tax basis than receiving the full payments and paying the excise taxes).

Death or Disability. In the event of Mr. Keeton's death or disability, SCILLC would pay Mr. Keeton a pro rata portion of his annual bonus based on the prior year's bonus achievement.

In all cases, amounts due Mr. Keeton would be paid net of any applicable withholdings and without any tax gross-ups.

General Release Requirement and Restrictive Covenants. In order to receive the severance benefits (including equity acceleration) due him on any termination without cause or for good reason, Mr. Keeton would be required to sign (and not revoke) a general release and waiver in substantially the form attached to the New Agreement and continue to comply with certain employee non-solicitation (two years) and non-competition covenants (one year) as well as confidentiality agreements (for an indefinite period).

The foregoing summary of the material terms of the New Agreement is qualified in its entirety by the form of New Agreement, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to, and is hereby incorporated by reference to, this Form 8-K.

## Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The below exhibit is filed as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Exhibit No.	<u>Description</u>
10.1	Form of Employment Agreement for Executive Vice Presidents/Group Presidents
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

## **SIGNATURES**

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.

Date: March 4, 2024

ON SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Pamela L. Tondreau

Pamela L. Tondreau Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer, Chief Compliance Officer and Secretary

#### **EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT**

This EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), dated as of [EFFECTIVE DATE], 20[•] (the "<u>Effective Date</u>"), is entered into by and between Semiconductor Components Industries, LLC (the "<u>Company</u>"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of ON Semiconductor Corporation, a Delaware Corporation (the "<u>Parent</u>"), and [•] (the "<u>Executive</u>"). Executive and the Company are individually referred to as a "Party" and together as the "Parties." In consideration of the mutual covenants, promises, and obligations set forth herein, the Parties agree as follows:

#### 1. Employment.

- (a) *Title and Employment Period*. The Company agrees to employ Executive as "[•]" of the Company, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement until Executive's employment is terminated under Section 3. The period during which Executive is employed under this Agreement is referred to as the "Employment Period."
- (b) Reporting Relationship, Duties, and Work Location. Executive will report to the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Parent (the "CEO") and will have such duties and responsibilities as the CEO may reasonably determine are consistent with Executive's position, including providing services to Parent and other affiliates of the Company. Executive agrees to perform such additional services without additional compensation. Executive's principal work location will be Scottsdale, Arizona; however, Executive may be required to travel as required to perform Executive's duties.
- (c) Employee Covenants. During the Employment Period, excluding any periods of vacation or sick leave under the Company's policies, Executive will devote Executive's best efforts and full working time, energy, and attention to performing Executive's duties and responsibilities and will faithfully and diligently endeavor to promote the business and best interests of the Company; <a href="mailto:provided">provided</a> that Executive may manage Executive's personal, financial and legal affairs, so long as such activities do not interfere with Executive's duties and responsibilities to the Company and its affiliates. Executive agrees to abide by the Company's personnel policies and procedures as interpreted, adopted, revised, or deleted from time to time in the Company's discretion; <a href="provided">provided</a> that, if the terms of this Agreement conflict with the Company's personnel policies and procedures, this Agreement controls
- (d) *Prior Agreements*. The Company and Executive previously entered into an Employment Agreement, dated as of [•] (the "<u>Prior Agreement</u>"). The Prior Agreement, and any other offer letter or similar agreement between Executive and the Company or any affiliate of the Company, are hereby replaced and superseded by this Agreement and are no longer of any force or effect.
  - 2. Compensation and Benefits. Executive will be entitled to the following compensation and benefits during the Employment Period:

For EVPs, "Executive Vice President, [•]"; for Group Presidents, "Group President, [•]".

- (a) *Base Salary*. The Company will pay Executive an annual base salary of approximately \$[•] per year; <u>provided</u> that such rate of base salary will be subject to annual review and adjustment as determined by the CEO and the Human Capital and Compensation Committee (the "<u>Committee</u>") of the Parent's Board of Directors (the "<u>Board</u>"). Executive's annual rate of base salary (as may be so adjusted) is referred to in this Agreement as Executive's "<u>Base Salary</u>."
- (b) *Bonuses*. Executive will be eligible to earn annual or more frequent cash bonuses (each a "Bonus" and, collectively, the "Bonuses"), with a "target" annual Bonus opportunity of [•]% of Executive's Base Salary; provided that such amount will be subject to annual review and adjustment as determined by the CEO and the Committee. Bonuses may have annual or shorter performance periods and may be paid annually or more frequently. If a Bonus performance period is a full year, Executive's target annual Bonus opportunity (as may have been adjusted by the CEO and the Committee) is referred to in this Agreement as Executive's "Annual Target Bonus Opportunity." If a Bonus performance period relates to less than a full year, Executive's Annual Target Bonus Opportunity will be prorated to reflect such shorter period and such prorated Annual Target Bonus Opportunity will be referred to in this Agreement as Executive's "Prorated Target Bonus Opportunity." The actual Bonus earned, if any, will be based on the level of achievement of applicable performance criteria determined by the CEO and the Committee, and may be more or less than Executive's Annual Target Bonus Opportunity or, if applicable, Prorated Target Bonus Opportunity. Any Bonus earned with respect to a performance period will be paid as soon as reasonably practicable after achievement of the applicable performance criteria has been determined following completion of the applicable performance period. Except as provided otherwise in Section 4, to be eligible to earn a Bonus, Executive must remain actively employed by the Company through the date the Bonus is paid.
- (c) Equity Awards. Executive will be eligible to participate in the ON Semiconductor Corporation Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan, as may be amended from time to time, or any successor equity incentive plan in which similarly situated executives participate; provided that Executive's entitlement to receive awards under such plan or plans will be subject to approval by the Committee or such other committee or person who has been delegated authority to grant awards to Executive. Any awards so granted to Executive will be governed by the terms of the plan under which the award is granted and an award agreement.
- (d) *Vacation and Employee Benefits*. Executive will be entitled to vacation in accordance with Company policy, and Executive will be eligible to participate in employee benefit plans and programs consistent with that of other similarly situated employees of the Company, subject to satisfying applicable eligibility requirements and plan terms (but excluding any plans or benefits relating to severance or continuation pay). The Company and its affiliates may adopt, amend, terminate, or modify employee benefit plans and arrangements at any time.
- (e) Expense Reimbursement. Subject to applicable expense reimbursement policies in effect from time to time, the Company will reimburse Executive for reasonable and customary business expenses incurred in connection with Executive's employment.
- (f) *Auto Allowance and Financial Planning Expense Reimbursement*. The Company will provide Executive with a car allowance of \$1,200 per month and will reimburse Executive for financial planning expenses incurred by Executive up to \$10,000 per year, subject to Executive's substantiation of such expenses.

### 3. Termination of Employment.

- (a) *At-Will Employment*. Executive's employment is "at-will," which means it may be terminated by the Company or by Executive at any time for any reason. Any termination of Executive's employment by the Company or by Executive (other than a termination on account of Executive's death) will be communicated by written "Notice of Termination" to the other Party in accordance with Section 9(a).
  - (b) Death. Executive's employment will terminate on the date of Executive's death if Executive dies during the Employment Period.
- (c) *Disability*. Executive's employment will be terminated due to "<u>Disability</u>" if the Company terminates Executive's employment due to Executive's inability to perform the essential functions of Executive's position due to a physical or mental condition with or without an accommodation for a period of 90 consecutive days or 180 days in the aggregate during any 12-month period, or the Company determines based on the written certification of two licensed physicians that the condition will continue for such periods; <u>provided</u> that the Company delivers a Notice of Termination to Executive that Executives employment is being terminated due to Disability following such applicable period, and Executive does not return to the performance of Executive's duties on a full-time basis within 30 days after such Notice of Termination is delivered.
- (d) Cause. Executive's employment will be terminated for "Cause" if the Company terminates Executive's employment for any of the following reasons: (i) a material breach by Executive of this Agreement or the Company's Code of Business Conduct (as may be amended or superseded); (ii) the failure by Executive to reasonably and substantially perform Executive's duties hereunder (other than as a result of Disability); (iii) Executive's willful misconduct or gross negligence which is materially injurious to the Company; or (iv) the commission by Executive of a felony or other serious crime involving moral turpitude; provided that Executive's employment will not be terminated for Cause unless, for clauses (i) and (ii) above, the Company provides Notice of Termination to Executive indicating in reasonable detail the events or circumstances that it believes constitute Cause and, if such breach or failure is reasonably capable of cure, Executive fails to cure such breach or failure within 30 days following delivery of such notice. Except for a termination under clause (ii) above, if, after Executive's termination of employment for any reason other than Cause, it is determined in good faith by the Board or the CEO that Executive's employment could have been terminated for Cause, Executive's employment will, at the election of the Board or the CEO, as applicable, be deemed to have been terminated for Cause; provided that if the retroactive determination of Cause is based on clause (i) above for material breach, and if such breach is reasonably capable of cure, the Company will provide Executive with a reasonable period of time (not to exceed 30 days) to cure such breach.
- (e) Without Cause. Executive's employment will be terminated by the Company without Cause if the Company terminates Executive's employment for any reason other than: (i) for Cause; or (ii) due to Executive's Disability.

- (f) Good Reason. Executive's employment will be terminated for "Good Reason" if Executive terminates employment following the occurrence of any of the following events without Executive's written consent: (i) a material breach of this Agreement by the Company; (ii) a reduction in Executive's Base Salary or target annual cash bonus opportunity, in each case, as in effect immediately prior to such reduction, while at the same time not proportionately reducing the base salaries or target annual cash bonus opportunities, as applicable, of other comparable officers of the Company; (iii) a material and continued diminution of Executive's duties and responsibilities, unless Executive is provided with comparable duties and responsibilities in a comparable position (i.e., a position of equal or greater duties and responsibilities), including without limitation, Executive ceasing to hold the title of [•]2 of the Company (or any successor entity) or requiring Executive to report to any person other than the CEO; or (iv) following a Change in Control, the Company requires Executive to relocate Executive's principal place of employment to a location that is greater than 50 miles from the Company's current headquarters in Scottsdale, Arizona; provided that in all cases, Executive's employment will not be terminated by Executive for Good Reason unless (A) Executive provides a Notice of Termination to the Company within 30 days after the occurrence of the event or events that Executive believes constitute Good Reason and describes in such notice in reasonable detail such event or events, (B) the Company has the opportunity to cure such event or events within 30 days after delivery of such notice and fails to cure the event or events, and (C) Executive's Date of Termination (as defined in Section 3(h)) occurs within 30 days after the expiration of the 30-day cure period.
- (g) By Executive Other Than for Good Reason. Executive's employment will be terminated other than for Good Reason if Executive terminates employment for any reason other than Good Reason (and, for avoidance of doubt, other than due to Executive's death).
- (h) *Date of Termination*. For purposes of this Agreement, "<u>Date of Termination</u>" means: (i) if Executive's employment is terminated due to Executive's death, the date of death; and (ii) if Executive's employment is terminated for any other reason, the date specified in the Notice of Termination, <u>provided</u> that such date will not be earlier than: (A) 30 days after the Notice of Termination is delivered if the termination is by the Company due to Executive's Disability or by Executive for Good Reason, and (B) 90 days after the Notice of Termination is delivered if the termination is by Executive other than for Good Reason; <u>provided</u> that if Executive terminates employment with or without Good Reason, the Company may accelerate the Date of Termination specified in the Notice of Termination.
- (i) Resignation as an Officer and Director. If Executive's employment with the Company terminates for any reason, Executive will be deemed to immediately resign from all positions (including, but not limited to, as an officer and/or director) of the Company and all of its affiliates. Executive agrees to execute all documents reasonably requested by the Company in order to effect such resignation(s).
  - 4. Entitlements Upon Termination. This Section 4 describes Executive's entitlements resulting from a termination of employment.
- (a) Accrued Obligations. Upon termination of Executive's employment for any reason, Executive (or, in the case of Executive's death, Executive's estate) will be entitled to: (i) any unpaid salary earned through the Date of Termination, payable in accordance with applicable law and Company policy; (ii) reimbursement of any unreimbursed business expenses properly incurred
- For EVPs, "Executive Vice President"; for Group Presidents, "President' of a primary business unit".

by Executive in accordance with Company policy before Executive's Date of Termination, provided claims for such reimbursement (accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation) are submitted to the Company within 30 days following the Date of Termination; and (iii) compensation and employee benefits, if any, as to which Executive has a vested entitlement under the applicable compensation and employee benefit plan or agreement (clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) collectively referred to as the "Accrued Obligations").

- (b) Severance Entitlements.
- (i) Termination Without Cause or for Good Reason Without a Change in Control. In addition to the Accrued Obligations, if Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause or by Executive for Good Reason (and such termination does not occur within the Change in Control Period described in Section 4(b)(ii)), subject to satisfaction of the release and other requirements set forth in Section 5(b), Executive will be entitled to:
  - (1) continuation of Executive's Base Salary for one year following the Date of Termination;
  - (2) an amount equal to Executive's Annual Target Bonus Opportunity;
- (3) with respect to any unvested performance-based restricted stock units ("PBRSUs") held by Executive, a prorated portion of such PBRSUs will become vested for the performance period in which the Date of Termination occurs, with such prorated number of PBRSUs equal to the product of (A) and (B), where (A) is the number of PBRSUs, if any, that would have vested based on actual achievement of the applicable performance criteria over the full performance period, and (B) is a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days Executive was employed in the performance period and the denominator of which is the total number of days in such performance period;
- (4) if Executive's Date of Termination occurs after completion of a Bonus performance period, but before any Bonus earned with respect to such completed performance period has been paid, any such earned but unpaid Bonus relating to the completed performance period;
- (5) if Executive elects to receive continued medical, dental, or vision coverage under one or more of the Company's or an affiliate's group healthcare plans pursuant to the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, as amended ("COBRA"), the Company will directly pay, or reimburse Executive for, the COBRA premiums, less the amount Executive would have had to pay to receive group health coverage for Executive and Executive's covered dependents based on the cost sharing levels in effect for active employees at such time, for Executive and Executive's covered dependents under such plans during the period commencing on the Date of Termination and ending on the earliest of: (A) the two-year anniversary of the Date of Termination; and (B) the date on which Executive becomes eligible to receive healthcare coverage from a subsequent employer. The Company may include the fair market value of the cost of such payments or reimbursements in the Participant's taxable income; and

- (6) outplacement services from vendors designated by the Company for a period of up to six months following the Date of Termination at a cost not to exceed \$25,000.
- (ii) Termination Without Cause or for Good Reason With a Change in Control. In addition to the Accrued Obligations, if, within the period beginning on the date of a Change in Control (as defined below) and ending on the two-year anniversary of such date (the "Change in Control Period"), Executive's employment is terminated by the Company without Cause or by Executive for Good Reason, subject to satisfaction of the release and other requirements set forth in Section 5(b), Executive will be entitled to the same severance entitlements described in Section 4(b)(i), except that:
  - (1) the amount payable under Section 4(b)(i)(1) will be equal to 1.2 times the Base Salary;
  - (2) the amount payable under Section 4(b)(i)(2) will be equal to 1.2 times Executive's Annual Target Bonus Opportunity;
- (3) full vesting of any unvested portion of any outstanding time-based restricted stock units held by Executive as of the Date of Termination; and
- (4) any unvested PBRSUs held by Executive will become fully vested (without proration, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any PBRSU award agreement) as of the Date of Termination at 100% of the target performance level (or, if the PBRSUs were determined to have been earned at a greater level in connection with the Change in Control, whether pursuant to the PBRSU award agreement or otherwise, at such greater level); provided, however, that if the Date of Termination occurs on or after the last day of the PBRSU's performance period, but prior to the vesting date of the PBRSUs, the amount that will vest, if any, will be the amount earned based on actual performance over the performance period.

For purposes of this Agreement, a "Change in Control" will have the meaning set forth in the ON Semiconductor Corporation Amended and Restated Stock Incentive Plan, as it may be amended or superseded from time-to-time.

- (iii) *Other Terminations*. If Executive's employment is terminated for any reason not described in Sections 4(b)(i) or 4(b)(ii) (*i.e.*, a termination by the Company for Cause, a termination due to Executive's death or by the Company due to Executive's Disability, a termination by Executive other than for Good Reason, or a termination by Executive for Good Reason at any time other than during the Change in Control Period), Executive (or, in the case of Executive's death, Executive's estate) will only be entitled to the Accrued Obligations.
  - 5. Timing of Severance Payments and Release Requirement.
- (a) Payment Timing. Except as otherwise provided in Section 9(h): (i) the amount set forth in Section 4(b)(i)(1) or 4(b)(ii)(1), as applicable, will be paid in accordance with the Company's ordinary payroll practices in effect from time to time and which will begin on the first Company payroll period immediately following the date on which the general release and waiver described below in Section 5(b) becomes irrevocable; and (ii) the amounts set forth in Section

4(b)(i)(2) or 4(b)(ii)(2), as applicable, and Section 4(b)(i)(4) will be paid when bonuses are paid to active employees who earned a bonus under the same bonus program, as soon as reasonably practicable after achievement of the applicable performance criteria over the full performance period has been determined for active employees; provided that payment shall in all events be paid within two and one-half months after the end of the performance period unless it is determined that payment within such period would be administratively impracticable and may be made at a later date permitted under Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-1(b)(4)(ii), in which case payment may be made at such later date permitted under Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-1(b)(4)(ii).

- (b) Release and Compliance Requirements. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement or any understanding to the contrary, in order to be eligible for and to receive the severance entitlements described in this Sections 4(b)(i) and 4(b)(ii), Executive must: (i) execute (and not revoke) and must continue to comply with the terms of a general release and waiver in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, subject to any applicable changes as may be required by law; and (ii) comply with this Agreement, including, without limitation, any post-termination obligations under Section 7. The release will be provided to Executive on or before the date that is five business days following the Date of Termination and Executive will have 21 days (or 45 days, if required for a release of age-related claims in connection with a group termination) following the date on which the release is given to Executive to sign and return the release to the Company. The release must be executed and returned to the Company within the time-period described in the release and it must not be revoked by Executive during the seven-day revocation period that will be described in the release. The severance entitlements described in Sections 4(b)(i) and 4(b)(ii) are in lieu of, and not in addition to, any benefits to which Executive may otherwise be entitled under any severance plan, policy, or program of the Company or an affiliate.
- 6. <u>Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance</u>. During the Employment Period, Executive will be entitled to the same directors' and officers' liability insurance coverage that the Company provides generally to its other directors and officers, as may be amended from time to time for such directors and officers. This obligation continues after the Date of Termination.

### 7. Restrictive Covenants.

(a) Confidentiality. During the Employment Period, and at all times thereafter, Executive will: (i) keep confidential and not divulge, furnish, or make accessible to any person or entity any Confidential Information (as defined below); and (ii) use the Confidential Information solely for the purpose of performing Executive's duties of employment and not for Executive's own benefit or the benefit of any other person. For purposes of this Agreement, "Confidential Information" means all information of the Parent, the Company or any of their affiliates (in whatever form) which is not generally known to the public, including without limitation any inventions, processes, methods of distribution, Developments (as defined below), customer lists, or trade secrets. "Confidential Information" does not include information that: (A) is or becomes part of the public domain through no fault of Executive; (B) is already known to Executive and has been identified by Executive to the Company in writing prior to the commencement of Executive's employment with Company; or (C) is subsequently lawfully received by Executive from a third Party not subject to confidentiality restrictions. If a temporal or geographic limitation on Executive's obligation not to use or disclose Confidential Information is required under

applicable law, and this Section 7 or any restriction(s) in it cannot otherwise be enforced, the Parties agree that Restricted Territory (defined below) and the two-year period after the Date of Termination will be the temporal and geographic limitations relevant to the contested restriction in this Section 7, provided, however, that this sentence will not apply to trade secrets of the Company, the Parent, or any of their affiliates, which are protected without temporal or geographic limitations under applicable law.

- (b) *Permitted Disclosures*. Nothing in this Agreement will restrict or prohibit Executive from disclosing Confidential Information solely to the extent: (i) the Company provides its express prior written consent to such disclosure; (ii) it is necessary to perform the duties of Executive's employment; or (iii) as required by applicable law, valid court order, or authorized government agency, <u>provided</u> that (in regard to item (iii)) such disclosure does not exceed the extent of disclosure required by law, regulation, or order and Executive notifies the Company prior to disclosure, so that the Company may seek a protective order or other appropriate remedy as permitted by applicable law. Nothing in this Agreement prohibits Executive for providing information to government agencies, including, but not limited to, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the National Labor Relations Board, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (or its state equivalent), and the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- (c) Defense of Trade Secrets Act Notice. Nothing in this Agreement will prevent Executive from the disclosure of Confidential Information or trade secrets that: (i) is made: (A) in confidence to a federal, state, or local government official, either directly or indirectly, or to an attorney; and (B) solely for the purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of law; or (ii) is made in a complaint or other document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding, if such filing is made under seal. If Executive files a lawsuit alleging retaliation by Company for reporting a suspected violation of law, Executive may disclose Confidential Information or trade secrets related to the suspected violation of law or alleged retaliation to Executive's attorney and use the Confidential Information or trade secrets in the court proceeding if Executive or Executive's attorney: (x) files any document containing Confidential Information or trade secrets under seal; and (y) does not disclose Confidential Information or trade secrets, except pursuant to court order
- (d) *Non-Solicit of Employees*. Executive recognizes that the Company's employees are a valuable asset to the Company and represent a substantial investment of Company time and resources. Accordingly, during the Employment Period and for two years following the Date of Termination, Executive agrees not to, directly or indirectly, solicit or assist any other person or entity in soliciting any employee of the Parent, the Company, or any of their subsidiaries to perform services for any person or entity that are competitive to the Company or attempt to induce any such employee to leave the employment of the Parent, the Company, or their subsidiaries; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the restrictions in this Section 7(d) only apply to such employees with whom Executive has obtained Confidential Information about or whom Executive had material contact with during the last 24 months before the Date of Termination.
- (e) Non-Compete. Executive acknowledges that the services Executive provides the Company are unique, special, or extraordinary such that it would take a significant amount of time to replace Executive. Executive further acknowledges that Executive will have access to the Company's customers, Confidential Information, and trade secrets such that the Company and their affiliates would suffer significant harm if Executive competed against the Company with any

Competitive Business (as defined below). Accordingly, during the Employment Period and for one year following the Date of Termination, Executive agrees that Executive will not, directly or indirectly, provide Prohibited Services (as defined below) for any Competitive Business anywhere in the Restricted Territory (as defined below). Nothing in this Agreement prohibits Executive from holding less than 1% of the outstanding voting shares of any publicly held company. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms are defined below:

- (i) "Competitive Business" will mean any of the companies (or any of their parents, affiliates, or successors (including following any acquisition or change in control of any such company)) set forth on Schedule 1 hereto.
- (ii) "<u>Prohibited Services</u>" means any services that: (1) are the same or substantially similar to the services Executive provided to the Company during the last 12 months before the Date of Termination; (2) are competitive to the Company; or (3) require the use of the Company's Confidential Information.
- (iii) "Restricted Territory" means the 50 mile radius (and if 50 miles is determined by a court to be overly broad, then the 25 mile radius) of any of the following locations: (1) the Company's Scottsdale, Arizona office; (2) any Company business location at which Executive has worked on a regular or occasional basis during the last 24 months before the Date of Termination; (3) any county, parish, or similar political subdivision in the United States where Executive conducted business on behalf of the Company; (4) any county, parish, or similar political subdivision in the United States where Executive had responsibility for overseeing the Company's operations or directly supervising employees who worked in that location; or (5) any county, parish, or similar political subdivision outside the United States where Executive conducted business on behalf of the Company or had responsibility for conducting business on behalf of the Company during the last 12 months prior to the Date of Termination.
- (f) Return of Property. Promptly after the Date of Termination, or at any time upon request by the Company, Executive will return to the Company all Company property, equipment, and any Confidential Information (in hard copy and electronic formats) in Executive's possession, including, without limitation, all drawings, blueprints, specifications, or other documents (in whatever form) of the Parent, the Company, or their affiliates, relating to any of their methods of distribution, any description of any formulas, or secret processes. Executive further agrees to permanently delete any such records residing on any computer or computer program in Executive's possession as of the Date of Termination. In addition, if Executive has used any personal computer, server, or email system to receive, store, review, prepare, or transmit any Confidential Information, Executive agrees to provide Company access to such systems as reasonably requested by the Company to verify that the necessary copying and/or deletion is completed.
- (g) Public Statement Termination. If Executive's employment is terminated without Cause or Executive resigns with or without Good Reason, Executive and the Company will mutually agree in writing on the time, method, and content of any public announcement regarding Executive's termination of employment. Executive will not make any public statements that are inconsistent with the information mutually agreed in writing by the Parties.

- (h) *Non-Disparagement*. During the Employment Period and at all times thereafter, Executive agrees not to make (or cause or encourage others to make) statements that defame or disparage the Parent, the Company, or their affiliates and any of their officers, directors, members, or executives. Executive agrees to cooperate with the Company in refuting any defamatory or disparaging remarks by any third Party made in respect of the Parent, the Company, their affiliates or their directors, members, officers or executives. The Company agrees that it shall not disparage or defame Executive through any official statement of the Company, provided that, in the event Executive's employment is terminated for Cause, the Company shall be permitted, in its discretion, to disclose the facts and circumstances surrounding such termination. This Section 7(h) does not, in any way, restrict or impede the Parties from exercising protected rights to the extent that such rights cannot be waived by agreement or from complying with any applicable law, valid court order, or an authorized government agency, provided that such compliance does not exceed that required by the law, regulation, or order.
- (i) Invention Assignment. Executive agrees to disclose to the Company all ideas, concepts, discoveries, inventions, innovations, designs, patents, trademarks, trade secrets, copyrights, and intellectual property relating to the Company's business that Executive conceives or creates, individually or jointly with others, during the course of Executive's employment (collectively referred to as "Developments"). As such, all such Developments are prepared as works for hire for the Company and all such Developments and all rights subsisting in, relating to or used in connection with the Developments will be solely owned and be the exclusive property of the Company. To the fullest extent allowed by applicable law, Executive agrees to assign and hereby assigns to the Company or the Company's designee all right, title, and interest in and to all such Developments made or conceived by Executive during the course of Executive's employment. Upon the Company's request, and at the Company's expense, Executive agrees to execute all instruments, including specific assignments required for securing or maintaining the Company's rights in such Developments. Where Executive has rights in the Developments that cannot be assigned to the Company, Executive hereby grants to the Company an unconditional, perpetual, exclusive, worldwide, royalty-free, fully paid license or sublicense to use such rights in any way and without any limitation whatsoever. Where such rights cannot be assigned, licensed or sublicensed to the Company, Executive hereby irrevocably and without any further compensation waives the enforcement of all such rights, and all claims and causes of action against the Company. This Agreement does not require Executive to assign any Development that: (a) is developed entirely on Executive's own time without using the Company's equipment, supplies, facilities, or Confidential Information; (b) is not related to the Company's actual or anticipated business, research, or development; and (c) does not result from work performed by Executive for the Company. In addition, this Agreement does not apply to any Development which qualifies fully for protection from assignment to the Company under any specifically applicable state law, regulation, rule, or public policy. Executive agrees that Schedule 2 identifies all Developments, if any, that Executive made, conceived, discovered, or developed (either alone or jointly with others) prior to Executive's employment by the Company that relate to the current or planned conduct of the Company's business, which Executive wishes to exclude from the scope of this Agreement.
- (j) Executive's Representations. Executive represents that Executive's performance of services under this Agreement does not and will not violate any agreement or obligation that Executive may have with any current or former employers or other third parties. Executive further agrees that Executive will not use or disclose any confidential information of Executive's former employers or other third parties in connection with Executive's employment with the Company.

- (k) Cooperation. Following termination of Executive's employment for any reason, if reasonably requested by the Company, Executive will fully cooperate with the Company in all matters relating to the winding up of and transfer of Executive's pending work to other employees as designated by the Company, including, but not limited to, assisting the Company with any litigation against the Company in which Executive was involved or is a witness; provided that the Company will make reasonable efforts to minimize disruption of Executive's other activities. The Company will reimburse Executive for reasonable expenses incurred in connection with such cooperation and, to the extent that Executive is required to spend substantial time on such matters, the Company will compensate Executive at an hourly rate based on Executive's Base Salary on the Date of Termination.
- 8. <u>Injunctive Relief/Reasonableness</u>. Executive acknowledges that the Company would suffer irreparable harm if Executive breaches any of the provision in Section 7. To limit or prevent such irreparable harm, the Company will be entitled to an injunction, specific performance, or other equitable relief, without posting any bond or other security and without limiting any other rights or remedies that the Company may have for breach of this Agreement. In any such action, Executive waives and agrees not to assert any claim or defense that the Company has an adequate remedy at law. Executive agrees to account for and pay over the Company, the compensation, profits, monies, accruals, or other benefits derived or received by Executive as a result of any transaction constituting a breach (as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction) of any of the restrictive covenants provided in Section 7. If Executive violates any terms in Section 7, then the time periods set forth in the provisions at issue will be extended by the length of time during which Executive is in breach of any of such provisions. Executive acknowledges that the covenants contained in Section 7 are reasonable in scope and duration, do not and will not prevent Executive's ability to engage in Executive's livelihood or career, and are necessary to protect the Parent's, the Company's, and their affiliate's legitimate business interests.

## 9. Miscellaneous.

(a) *Notices*. Any notice or other communication required or permitted under this Agreement will be effective only if it is in writing and will be deemed to be given when delivered personally, emailed, or four days after it is mailed by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested or one day after it is sent by a reputable overnight courier service (or if it is sent through any other method agreed upon in writing by the Parties) and, in each case, addressed as follows (or such other addresses as either Party may designate in writing to the other Party):

If to the Company:

Semiconductor Components Industries LLC 5701 North Pima Road Scottsdale, Arizona 85250 Attention: Chief Legal Officer, c/o Legal Department

If to Executive, the address for Executive on file with the Company at the time of the notice.

- (b) Entire Agreement/Amendments/Waiver. This Agreement will constitute the entire agreement among the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes any and all prior oral or written understandings or agreements with respect to Executive's employment, including any offer letters (it being understood that, except as otherwise expressly stated in this Agreement, any equity awards granted to Executive will be governed by the relevant equity plan document and related equity grant agreement and any other related documents). This Agreement is entered into without reliance on any representation other than contained in this Agreement and may be amended only in a writing signed by Executive and an authorized officer of the Company. No provision of this Agreement may be waived except in a writing signed by the Party or Parties against whom or which enforcement of such waiver is sought. The failure or delay of any Party to require the performance of any provision hereof by the other Party will in no way affect the full right to require such performance at any time thereafter, nor will the waiver by any Party of a breach of any provision hereof be deemed a waiver of any succeeding breach of that provision or any other provision of this Agreement.
- (c) Construction/Counterparts. The Parties acknowledge and agree that each Party has reviewed and negotiated the terms and provisions of this Agreement and has had the opportunity to consult an attorney of their choosing before signing this Agreement. Accordingly, the terms of this Agreement will be construed fairly as to both Parties and not in favor or against either Party. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which will constitute one and the same instrument. The headings in this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only and will not be a part of or control or affect the meaning of any provision hereof.
- (d) *Successor/Assigns*. This Agreement is binding on and is for the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors, assigns, heirs, executors, administrators, and other legal representatives. Executive cannot assign this Agreement or any right or obligation hereunder. The Company may assign this Agreement to any successor (whether direct or indirect, by purchase, merger, consolidation, or otherwise) to all or substantially all of the business and/or assets of the Company. As used in the Agreement, the "<u>Company</u>" will mean both the Company as defined above and any such successor that assumes this Agreement, by operation of law or otherwise.
- (e) Severability/Modification. If any provision of this Agreement (or portion thereof) is deemed invalid, illegal, or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability will not affect in any way the remaining provisions or portions of this Agreement, the balance of which will continue to be binding upon the Parties and treated as though originally set forth in this Agreement. The Parties agree that any such court is authorized to modify any such unenforceable provision in lieu of severing that provision in its entirety, by making such modification as it deems warranted to carry out the intent of the Parties as embodied herein to the maximum extent permitted by law.
- (f) Governing Law/Forum. This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Arizona, without regard to conflicts of law principles. Any action or proceeding by either of the Parties to enforce this Agreement will be brought only in a state or federal court located in Maricopa County, Arizona. The Parties hereby irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts and waive the defense of inconvenient forum to the maintenance of any such action or proceeding in such venue.

(g) Withholdings. The Company or an affiliate of the Company may withhold from any amounts payable to Executive hereunder all federal, state, city, or other taxes that the Company may reasonably determine are required to be withheld pursuant to any applicable law or regulation, (it being understood, that Executive will be responsible for payment of all taxes in respect of the payments and benefits provided herein). In no event will Executive be entitled to a tax gross-up or tax reimbursement on amounts payable under this Agreement. The payments and other consideration to Executive under this Agreement will be made without right of offset.

(h) Section 409A. Notwithstanding anything set forth herein to the contrary: (i) no amount payable pursuant to this Agreement on account of Executive's termination of employment which constitutes a "deferral of compensation" for purposes of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") will be paid unless and until Executive has incurred a "separation from service" (as that term is used in Section 409A of the Code); (ii) if Executive is a "specified employee" (as that term is used in Section 409A of the Code) as of the date of Executive's separation from service, no amount that constitutes a deferral of compensation for purposes of Section 409A of the Code that is payable on account of Executive's separation from service will be paid to Executive before the date (the "Delayed Payment Date") which is the first day of the seventh month after the date of Executive's separation from service or, if earlier, the date of Executive's death following such separation from service, and all such amounts that would, but for such delay, become payable prior to the Delayed Payment Date will be accumulated and paid on the Delayed Payment Date; and (iii) if the Company determines that the severance payments described in Sections 4(b)(i) or 4(b)(ii) constitute a deferral of compensation for purposes of Section 409A of the Code, and the consideration period and seven-day revocation period described in the release described in Section 5(b), spans calendar years, the severance payments will not begin or be paid until the second calendar year. Each installment payment hereunder will be treated as a separate payment for purposes of Section 409A of the Code. Any reimbursements or in-kind benefits provided to or for the benefit of Executive that constitute a "deferral of compensation" for purposes of Section 409A of the Code will be provided in a manner that complies with Treasury Regulation Section 1.409A-3(i)(1)(iv). Accordingly, (x) all such reimbursements will be made not later than the last day of the calendar year after the calendar year in which the expenses were incurred, (y) any right to such reimbursements or in-kind benefits will not be subject to liquidation or exchange for another benefit, and (z) the amount of the expenses eligible for reimbursement, or the amount of any in-kind benefit provided, during any taxable year will not affect the amount of expenses eligible for reimbursement, or the in-kind benefits provided, in any other taxable year. The Company intends that income provided to Executive pursuant to this Agreement will not be subject to taxation under Section 409A of the Code. The provisions of this Agreement will be interpreted and construed in favor of satisfying any applicable requirements of Section 409A of the Code or an applicable exemption thereunder. However, the Company does not guarantee any particular tax effect for income provided to Executive pursuant to this Agreement. In any event, except for the Company's responsibility to withhold applicable income and employment taxes from compensation paid or provided to Executive, the Company will not be responsible for the payment of any applicable taxes on compensation paid or provided to Executive pursuant to this Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if this Agreement or any benefit paid to Executive hereunder is deemed to be subject to Section 409A of the Code, Executive consents to the Company adopting such conforming amendments as the Company deems necessary, in its sole discretion, to comply with Section 409A of the Code, without reducing the amounts of any benefits due to Executive hereunder.

(i) Clawbacks. By signing this Agreement, Executive agrees to be bound by, and comply with the terms of the compensation recovery policy or policies (and related practices) of the Company or its affiliates as such may be in effect from time to time. Without limiting the prior sentence, Executive acknowledges and agrees that Executive is subject to the Company's Executive Compensation Recovery (Clawback) Policy (as may be amended or superseded from time to time) and is a "covered person" thereunder.

#### 10. Section 280G of the Code.

- (a) Sections 280G and 4999 of the Code may place significant tax burdens on both Executive and the Company if the total payments made to Executive due to certain change in control events described in Section 280G of the Code (the "Total Change in Control Payments") equal or exceed Executive's 280G Cap. For this purpose, Executive's "280G Cap" is equal to Executive's average annual compensation in the five calendar years preceding the calendar year in which the change in control event occurs (the "Base Period Income Amount") times three. If the Total Change in Control Payments equal or exceed the 280G Cap, Section 4999 of the Code imposes a 20% excise tax (the "Excise Tax") on all amounts in excess of one times Executive's Base Period Income Amount. In determining whether the Total Change in Control Payments will equal or exceed the 280G Cap and result in the imposition of an Excise Tax, the provisions of Sections 280G and 4999 of the Code and the applicable Treasury Regulations will control over the general provisions of this Section 10. All determinations and calculations required to implement the rules set forth in this Section 10 will take into account all applicable federal, state, and local income taxes and employment taxes (and for purposes of such calculations, Executive will be deemed to pay income taxes at the highest combined federal, state and local marginal tax rates for the calendar year in which the Total Change in Control Payments are to be made, less the maximum federal income tax deduction that could be obtained as a result of a deduction for state and local taxes (the "Assumed Taxes")).
- (b) Subject to the "best net" exception described in Section 10(c), in order to avoid the imposition of the Excise Tax, the total payments to which Executive is entitled under this Agreement or otherwise will be reduced to the extent necessary to avoid equaling or exceeding the 280G Cap, with such reduction first applied to the cash severance payments that Executive would otherwise be entitled to receive pursuant to this Agreement and thereafter applied in a manner that will not subject Executive to tax and penalties under Section 409A of the Code. Any reduction in payments and/or benefits pursuant to this Section 10(b) will occur in the following order: (i) reduction of cash payments; (ii) cancellation of accelerated vesting of equity awards other than stock options; (iii) cancellation of accelerated vesting of stock options; and (iv) reduction of other benefits payable to you. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any reduction in payments pursuant to this Section 10(b) will be made in compliance with Section 409A of the Code.

(c) If Executive's Total Change in Control Payments minus the Excise Tax and the Assumed Taxes (payable with respect to the amount of the Total Change in Control Payments) exceeds the 280G Cap minus the Assumed Taxes (payable with respect to the amount of the 280G Cap), then the total payments to which Executive is entitled under this Agreement or otherwise will not be reduced pursuant to Section 10(b). If this "best net" exception applies, Executive will be fully responsible for paying any Excise Tax (and income or other taxes) that may be imposed on Executive pursuant to Section 4999 of the Code or otherwise. The Company will engage a law firm, a certified public accounting firm, and/or a firm of reputable executive compensation consultants (the "Consultant") to make any necessary determinations and to perform any necessary calculations required in order to implement the rules set forth in this Section 10. The Consultant will provide detailed supporting calculations to both the Company and Executive and all fees and expenses of the Consultant will be borne by the Company. If the provisions of Section 280G and 4999 of the Code are repealed without succession, this Section 10 will be of no further force or effect. In addition, if this provision does not apply to Executive for whatever reason, this Section will be of no further force or effect.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement on [EXECUTION DATE, to be effective as of] the date first written above.

SEMICONDUCTOR COMPONENTS INDUSTRIES, LLC				
Name: [•] Title: [•]				
Name: [•]				

## SCHEDULE 1

## **COMPETITIVE BUSINESS**

Infineon Technologies AG

STMicroelectronics N.V.

Renesas Electronics Corporation

NXP Semiconductors N.V.

Diodes Incorporated

Wolfspeed, Inc.

## SCHEDULE 2

## EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT DISCLOSURE

## . CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

2.

EXCEPT AS SET FORTH BELOW, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT AT THIS TIME I KNOW NOTHING ABOUT THE BUSINESS OR PROPRIETARY INFORMATION OF SEMICONDUCTOR COMPONENTS INDUSTRIES, LLC (THE "COMPANY"), OTHER THAN INFORMATION I HAVE LEARNED FROM THE COMPANY IN THE COURSE OF BEING HIRED OR INFORMATION THAT I HAVE LEARNED FROM THE PUBLIC DOMAIN:				
(Check here _	if continued on additional attached sheets)			
EXCLUDED	DEVELOPMENTS			
	I have made no Developments prior to my employment with the Company that relate to the current or planned conduct of the Company's business and that are owned by me (either alone or jointly with others), and I do not wish to exclude any Developments from the scope of the Agreement.			
	The following is a complete and accurate list of all Developments I have made, conceived, discovered or developed prior to my employment with the Company that relate to the current or planned conduct of the Company's business and that are owned by a (either alone or jointly with others), which I wish to exclude from the scope of the Agreement. I represent and warrant that such list is complete and accurate, and I understand that by not listing a Development on this Schedule, I am acknowledging that such Development was not made, conceived, discovered or developed prior to my employment by the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if disclosure of any such Development in this Schedule would cause me to violate any prior confidentiality agreeme. I understand that I am not to list such Development in this Schedule but am to inform the Company that such Development has not been listed for that reason.			
(Check here _	if continued on additional attached sheets)			
		Executive Name		
		Executive Signature		
		Date		

#### EXHIBIT A

#### FORM OF GENERAL RELEASE

#### RELEASE AND WAIVER

, am signing this General Release (Release) as a condition of and in consideration for the termination related payments and benefits described in Section 4 of my Employment Agreement, dated as of \_ (as it may be amended from time to time, the "Employment Agreement") that I will be eligible to receive subject to and in compliance with the terms of the Employment Agreement and this Release. I and any person acting by, through, under or on behalf of me, release, waive, and forever discharge Semiconductor Components Industries, LLC (ON Semiconductor), its subsidiaries, affiliates, and related entities (Company) and all of their respective agents, employees, officers, directors, shareholders, members, managers, employee benefit plans and fiduciaries, insurers, successors, and assigns from any and all claims, liabilities, actions, demands, obligations, agreements, or proceedings of any kind, individually or as part of a group action, whether known or unknown, arising out of, or connected with, claims of unlawful discrimination, harassment, retaliation, or failure to accommodate; the terms and conditions of my employment; my compensation and benefits; and/or the termination of my employment, including, but not limited to, all matters in law, in equity, in contract, or in tort, or pursuant to statute, including damages, attorney's fees, costs and expenses and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to all claims arising under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act (ADEA), the Civil Rights Act of 1866, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Act of 1991, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), the Americans with Disabilities Act, the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA), the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, any amendments to the foregoing, any other federal, state, or local law, rule, statute, regulation or ordinance, as well as claims in equity or under common law for tort, breach of contract, wrongful discharge, defamation, emotional distress, and negligence.

## VOLUNTARY AGREEMENT; ADVICE OF COUNSEL; REVIEW PERIOD

I understand and acknowledge that:

- (a) I have read this Release, and I understand its legal and binding effect. I am acting voluntarily and of my own free will in executing this Release
- (b) The consideration for this Release is in addition to anything of value to which I already am entitled, and is not wages, a wage increase, a bonus, or any other form of compensation for services performed. Standard deductions will be made to the consideration for this Release.
- (c) I have had the opportunity to seek, and I am advised in writing to seek, legal counsel prior to signing this Release.
- (d) If I am age 40 or over: I have been given at least [21][45]<sup>3</sup> days from the date I received this Release and any attached information to consider the terms of this Release before signing it (Consideration Period). In the event I choose to sign this Release prior to the expiration of the Consideration Period, I represent that I am knowingly and voluntarily waiving the remainder of the Consideration Period. I understand that having waived some portion of the Consideration Period, the Company may expedite the processing of benefits provided to me in exchange for signing this Release.
- (e) I agree with the Company that changes, whether material or immaterial, do not restart the running of the Consideration Period.
- (f) I have (i) received all compensation due me as a result of services performed for the Company with the receipt of my final paycheck; (ii) reported to the Company and all work-related injuries or occupational disease incurred by me during my employment by the Company; (iii) been properly provided any leave requested because of my or a family member's health condition or military service and have not been subjected to any improper treatment, conduct or actions due to a request for or taking such leave; (iv) had the opportunity to provide the Company with written notice of any and all concerns regarding suspected ethical and compliance issues or violations on the part of the Company

NTD: The alternative review periods under the ADEA are provided to account for the possibility the separation of employment arises under circumstances in which the 45 day review period would apply, such as an employment termination program referenced in the INFORMATION ABOUT THE EMPLOYMENT TERMINATION PROGRAM noted below.

or any other released person or entity; (v) reported any pending judicial and administrative complaints, claims, or actions I filed against the Company or any other released person or entity; and (vi) no pending claim of unlawful discrimination; harassment; sexual harassment, abuse, assault, or other criminal conduct; or retaliation, provided that, (v) and (vi) exclude claims that I may, as a matter of law, file anonymously or without disclosure to the Company.

#### REVOCATION

I understand that if I sign this Release, I can change my mind and revoke it within seven days (Revocation Period) after signing it by returning it with written revocation notice to the Company's Chief Legal Officer. I understand that this Release will not be effective until after this Revocation Period has expired, and I will not be entitled to receive any benefits until after the Release becomes effective. If the Revocation Period expires on a weekend or holiday, I understand I have until the end of the next business day to revoke.

#### BINDING AGREEMENT AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE

I understand that following the Revocation Period, this Release will be final and binding. I promise that I will not pursue any claim that I have settled by this Release. If I break this promise, I agree to pay all of the Company's costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) related to the defense of any such claims except this promise not to sue does not apply to claims that I may have under the Older Workers Benefit Protection Act (OWBPA) and the ADEA. Although I am releasing claims that I may have under the OWBPA and the ADEA, I understand that I may challenge the knowing and voluntary nature of this Release under the OWBPA and the ADEA before a court, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), or any other federal, state or local agency charged with the enforcement of any employment laws.

#### INFORMATION ABOUT THE EMPLOYMENT TERMINATION PROGRAM

If I am age 40 or over and my termination is part of an employment termination program, I acknowledge that the Company made the following available to me: (a) the class, unit, or group of individuals covered by the employment termination program; the eligibility factors for the program; and applicable time limits; and (b) the job titles and ages of all individuals eligible or selected for the program as well as those in the same job classification or organizational unit who are not eligible or selected.

## COMPANY PROPERTY; CONFIDENTIALITY; GENERAL PROVISIONS

I represent and warrant that I have returned all confidential information, computer hardware or software, files, papers, memoranda, correspondence, customer lists, financial data, credit cards, keys, tape recordings, pictures, and security access cards, and any other items of any nature which are the property of the Company, except as I am otherwise allowed to keep according to the Employment Agreement. I further agree not to retain any tangible or electronic copies of any such property in my possession or under my control. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I also agree to retain in confidence any confidential information known to me concerning the Company until such information is publicly available. I further agree to maintain the confidentiality of this Release and will not disclose in any fashion the terms of this Release or the amount of the benefits I receive to any person other than my attorneys, accountants, and tax advisors as required by appropriate taxing authorities, or as otherwise required by law. I further agree that the continuing obligations under the Employment Agreement, including but not limited to Section 7, and any other agreements that I signed as part of my employment regarding the Company's confidential information or property, remain in effect after my employment ends. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Release to the contrary, I understand that I have the right to (1) disclose in confidence trade secrets to federal, state, and local government officials, or to an attorney, for the sole purpose of reporting or investigating a suspected violation of the law or (2) disclose trade secrets in a document filed in a lawsuit or other proceeding so long as that filing is made under seal and protected from public disclosure. Nothing in this Release is intended to conflict with 18 U.S.C. § 1833(b) or create liability for disclosures of trade secrets that are expressly allowed by 18 U.S.C. § 1833(b).

I understand that during my employment, I may have developed ideas, concepts, discoveries, inventions, innovations, designs, patents, patent applications, trademarks, trade secrets, copyrights, source code, and/or intellectual property relating to the Company's business (Developments). To the extent not previously done, I hereby assign to the Company all right, title, and interest in and to all such Developments. In the event that rights may retained by state law. I hereby grant the Company an unconditional, perpetual, exclusive, worldwide, royalty-free, fully paid up license or sublicense to use the Developments in anyway and without limitation whatsoever and I hereby irrevocably waive enforcement of all such rights and include that waiver in the Release for no additional compensation.

This Release be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Arizona without reference to its principles of conflicts of law. Any action or proceeding by either of the parties to enforce this Release shall be brought only in a state or federal court located in the state of Arizona, county of Maricopa. The parties hereby irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of such courts and waive the defense of inconvenient forum to the maintenance of any such action or proceeding in such venue.

This Release constitutes the complete and total agreement between the Company and me with respect to issues addressed in this Release except this Release shall not in any way affect, modify, or nullify any prior agreement I have entered into with the Company regarding confidentiality, trade secrets, inventions, or unfair competition. I represent that I am not relying on any other agreements or oral representations not fully expressed in this document. I agree that this Release shall not be modified, altered, or discharged except by written instrument signed by an authorized Company representative and me. The headings in this document are for reference only, and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of this Release. I further agree that this document may be used as evidence in a subsequent proceeding in which the Company or I allege a breach of this Release or as a complete defense to any lawsuit. Other than this exception, I agree that this Release will not be introduced as evidence in any administrative proceeding or in any lawsuit. I agree that should any part of this Release except the release of claims be found to be void or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, that determination will not affect the remainder of this Release.

#### **EXCEPTIONS AND NO INTERFERENCE WITH RIGHTS**

Notwithstanding any provision of this Release or any other representation to the contrary, I understand this Release does not apply to (a) any claims or rights that may arise after the date that I signed this Release, (b) the Company's expense reimbursement policies, (c) any vested rights under the Company's ERISA-covered employee benefit plans as applicable on the date I sign this Release, and (d) any claims that the controlling law clearly states may not be released by private agreement. Moreover, nothing in this Release (including but not limited to the acknowledgements, release of claims, the promise not to sue, the confidentiality obligations, and the return of property provision) (x) limits or affects my right to challenge the validity of this Release under the ADEA or the OWBPA, (y) either prevents me from communicating with, filing a charge or complaint with, or from participating in an investigation or proceeding conducted by the EEOC, the National Labor Relations Board, the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any other federal, state or local agency charged with the enforcement of any laws, or from responding to a subpoena or discovery request in court litigation or arbitration, or requires me to obtain the consent of the Company or notify the Company before doing so, (z) precludes me from exercising my rights under Section 7 of the NLRA or similar state law to engage in protected, concerted activity with other employees, although by signing this Release I am waiving my right to recover any individual relief (including any backpay, frontpay, reinstatement or other legal or equitable relief) in any charge, complaint, or lawsuit or other proceeding brought by me or on my behalf by any third party, except for any right I may have to receive a payment or award from a government agency (and not the Company) for information provided to the government agency or where waiver of such right to recover otherwise is prohibited.

I have read and understand the General Release set forth above. The Company has provided me with all information needed to make an informed decision to sign this Release, notice of and an opportunity to retain an attorney, and an opportunity to ask questions about this Release. I accept the consideration stated above and agree to be bound by the terms of this General Release.				
Dated:	Signature: Employee	Name Printed:		
Dated:	Company Signature:	Company Representative Name:		