Registration No. 333-

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

ASURE SOFTWARE, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

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(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

110 Wild Basin Road, Suite 100 <u>Austin, Texas 78746</u>

(Address, including zip code, of Registrant's principal executive offices)

Asure Software, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan

(Full title of the plan)

Patrick Goepel Chief Executive Officer Asure Software, Inc. 110 Wild Basin Road, Suite 100 Austin, Texas 78746 (512) 437-2700

(Name, address, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copy to:

Jeffrey C. Robbins, Esq. Messerli & Kramer P.A. 100 South Fifth Street, Suite 1400 Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402 Telephone: (612) 672-3600

Indicate by check mark whether the r	registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated	I filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company.
See the definitions of "large accelerated filer,"	"accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting compar	ny" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

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Non-accelerated filer	□(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company	X

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

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		Maximum	Maximum	
	Amount to be	Offering Price Per	Aggregate	Amount of
Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Registered(1)	Share	Offering Price(2)	Registration Fee
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	225,000	\$ 8.37(2)	\$ 1,883,250(2)	\$ 218.27

- (1) All of the shares of common stock are offered under the Asure Software, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP"), subject to stockholder approval. Pursuant to Rule 416(a), this registration statement also covers an indeterminate number of additional shares that may be issuable under the ESPP by reason of any stock split, stock dividend or similar transactions.
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. Pursuant to Rule 457(h), the price is based on the average of the high and low price of registrant's common stock on December 8, 2016 as quoted on the Nasdaq Capital Market.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

The information called for in Part I of Form S-8 is not being filed or included in this Registration Statement (by incorporation by reference or otherwise) in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission").

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference

The following documents previously filed with the Commission by Asure Software, Inc. (the "Company") are incorporated by reference herein:

- (1) The Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2015;
- (2) The Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2016, June 30, 2016 and September 30, 2016;
- (3) The Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on March 22, April 21, May 12, May 20, August 15, August 26, September 2, December 5, December 6 and December 9, 2016;
- (4) The Current Report on Form 8-K/A filed on May 12, 2016
- (5) The description of common stock contained in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on March 31, 1992, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating this description; and.
- (6) The description of certain rights in connection with each outstanding share of our common stock contained in the Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on November 2, 2009, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All documents filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (other than information deemed to have been "furnished" rather than "filed") after the date hereof and before the filing of a post-effective amendment that indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or that deregisters all securities then remaining unsold shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference herein and to be part hereof from the date of filing those documents.

Any statement contained in any document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this registration statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any subsequently filed document which is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes the statement. Any statement so modified or superceded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superceded, to constitute a part of this registration statement.

Item 4. Description of Securities.

Not applicable.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

As permitted by Section 102 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or DGCL, we have adopted provisions in our certificate of incorporation that limit or eliminate the personal liability of our directors for monetary damages for a breach of their fiduciary duty of care as a director, except for liability for:

- any breach of the director's duty of loyalty to us or our stockholders;
- · any act or omission not in good faith or that involves intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- any act related to unlawful stock repurchases, redemptions or other distributions or payment of dividends; or
- any transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

These limitations of liability do not affect the availability of equitable remedies such as injunctive relief.

Our certificate of incorporation also authorizes us to indemnify our officers, directors and other agents to the fullest extent permitted under Delaware law. As permitted by the DGCL, our certificate of incorporation provides that:

- · we may indemnify our directors, officers, and employees to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, subject to limited exceptions;
- · we may advance expenses to our directors, officers and employees in connection with a legal proceeding to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL, subject to limited exceptions; and
- the rights provided in our certificate of incorporation are not exclusive.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

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4.1	Restated Certificate of Incorporation (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 in registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended October 31, 2004).
4.2	Certificate of Amendment to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 24, 2009).
4.3	(Second) Certificate of Amendment to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation (Incorporated by reference to Appendix C to registrant's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed on May 23, 2012.
4.4	Amended and Restated Bylaws (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated September 27, 2012).
4.5	Amended and Restated Rights Agreement dated as of October 28, 2009 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 28, 2009).
5.1	Legal Opinion of Messerli & Kramer P.A. (filed herewith)
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP (filed herewith)
23.2	Consent of Marcum LLP(filed herewith)
23.3	Consent of Messerli & Kramer P.A. (included in Exhibit 5.1)
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on signature page)
99.1	Asure Software, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (filed herewith)

Item 9. Undertakings

- (a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:
 - (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
 - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and
- (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in this registration statement.

Provided, however, that the undertakings set forth in paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is therefore unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933, and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Austin, State of Texas, on December 14, 2016.

ASURE SOFTWARE, INC.

By: /s/ Patrick Goepel
Patrick Goepel, Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each of the undersigned directors and officers of Asure Software, Inc. hereby constitutes and appoints Patrick Goepel and Brad Wolfe, and each of them, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent with full power of substitution, for him or her in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this registration statement on Form S-8 (including post-effective amendments), and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact, proxy and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully for all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact, proxy and agent, or his substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Patrick Goepel Patrick Goepel	Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	December 14, 2016
/s/ Brad Wolfe Brad Wolfe	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	December 14, 2016
/s/ David Sandberg David Sandberg	Chairman of the Board of Directors	December 14, 2016
/s/ Adrian Pertierra Adrian Pertierra	Director	December 14, 2016
/s/ Matthew Behrent Matthew Behrent	Director	December 14, 2016
/s/ J. Randall Waterfield J. Randall Waterfield	Director	December 14, 2016

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December 14, 2016

Asure Software, Inc. 110 Wild Basin Road, Suite 100 Austin, Texas 78746

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Asure Software, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") relating to the registration of 225,000 shares of common stock (the "Shares"), par value \$.01 per share, under the Asure Software, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan").

We have examined such documents and have reviewed such questions of law as we have considered necessary and relevant for the purpose set forth below. We have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the legal capacity of natural persons, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as duplicates or certified or conformed copies and the authenticity of the originals of such latter documents.

Based upon the foregoing and subject to stockholder approval of the Plan, we are of the opinion that the Shares have been duly authorized and, upon issuance, delivery and payment therefor in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Plan, the Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

We consent to the use of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the rules and regulations thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ MESSERLI & KRAMER P.A.

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement (Form S-8) pertaining to the Asure Software, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan of our report dated March 30, 2016, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Asure Software, Inc. included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 2015, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Austin, Texas December 14, 2016

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement (Form S-8) pertaining to the Asure Software, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan of our report dated March 17, 2016, with respect to the special purpose carve-out financial statements of Mangrove Employer Services — Payroll Division as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 and for the years then ended, which report is included in the Current Report on Form 8-K of Asure Software, Inc. filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 22, 2016.

/s/ Marcum LLP

Irvine, California December 14, 2016

ASURE SOFTWARE, INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN Adopted Effective January 1, 2017

1. Purpose. The purpose of the Plan is to provide employees of the Company and its Designated Subsidiaries and Designated Affiliates with an opportunity to purchase Common Stock of the Company. This Plan includes two components: a Code Section 423 Component (the "423 Component") and a non-Code Section 423 Component (the "Non-423 Component"). It is the intention of the Company to have the 423 Component qualify as an "Employee Stock Purchase Plan" under Section 423 of the Code. The provisions of the 423 Component, accordingly, shall be construed so as to extend and limit participation in a uniform and nondiscriminatory basis consistent with the requirements of Section 423 of the Code. In addition, this Plan authorizes the grant of options under the Non-423 Component which do not qualify under Section 423 of the Code pursuant to rules, procedures or subplans adopted by the Administrator designed to achieve tax, securities laws or other objectives for Eligible Employees and the Company. Except as otherwise indicated, the Non-423 Component will operate and be administered in the same manner as the 423 Component.

2. Definitions.

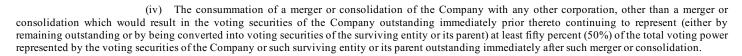
- (a) "Administrator" shall mean the Board or any Committee designated by the Board to administer the Plan pursuant to Section 14.
- (b) "Affiliate" shall mean any corporation or other entity affiliated with the Company or in which the Company has an interest.
- (c) "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Company.
- (d) "Change in Control" means the occurrence of any of the following events:

(i) Any "person" (as such term is used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act) other than a Permitted Transferee (as defined in the Company's Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation) becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule 13d-3 of the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing more than fifty percent (50%) of the total voting power represented by the Company's then outstanding voting securities; or

(ii) The consummation of the sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets; or

(iii) A change in the composition of the Board occurring within a one-year period, as a result of which less than a majority of the directors are Incumbent Directors. "Incumbent Directors" means directors who either (A) are Directors as of the effective date of the Plan, or (B) are elected, or nominated for election, to the Board with the affirmative votes of at least a majority of the Directors at the time of such election or nomination (but will not include an individual whose election or nomination is in connection with an actual or threatened proxy contest relating to the election of directors to the Company); or

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- (e) "Code" shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- (f) "Committee" means a committee of the Board appointed by the Board in accordance with Section 14 hereof.
- (g) "Common Stock" shall mean the Common Stock of the Company.
- (h) "Company" shall mean Asure Software, Inc., a Delaware corporation.
- (i) "Compensation" shall mean base compensation, including salary and regular wages, but excluding: (i) all overtime pay, commissions, bonuses, and other remuneration, (ii) profit sharing contributions, (iii) employee benefits, (iv) education or tuition reimbursements, (v) imputed income arising under any group insurance or benefit program, (vi) traveling expenses, (vii) business and moving expense reimbursements, (viii) income received in connection with stock compensation, (ix) employer contributions under any employee benefit plan, and (x) other similar items of compensation. The Administrator shall have the discretion to determine the application of this definition to participants outside the United States.
- (j) "<u>Designated Subsidiary</u>" shall mean any Subsidiary selected by the Administrator as eligible to participate in the 423 Component.
- (k) "<u>Director</u>" shall mean a member of the Board.
- (1) "Eligible Employee" shall mean (i) any individual who is treated as an active employee in the records of the Company or any Designated Subsidiary or (ii) any individual who is treated as an active employee in the records of any Designated Affiliate other than an individual who, as of the Offering Date, resides in a country that has been specifically excluded from participation in the Non-423 Component at the discretion of the Administrator. For the 423 Component, Eligible Employees shall include only those employees whose customary employment with the Company or Designated Subsidiary is at least twenty (20) hours per week. For purposes of the Plan, the employment relationship shall be treated as continuing intact while the individual is on sick leave or other leave of absence approved by the Company. Where the period of leave exceeds three (3) months and the individual's right to reemployment is not guaranteed either by statute, legal precedent or by contract, the employment relationship shall be deemed to have terminated on the day which is three (3) months and one (1) day after the beginning of such leave. The employment relationship shall be treated as continuing intact where an Eligible Employee transfers employment between a Designated Subsidiary and a Designated Affiliate, and vice-versa, provided, however, that a participant who is not employed by a Designated Subsidiary on the Offering Date and through a date that is no more than three (3) months prior to the Exercise Date will participate only in the Non-423 Component. The Administrator shall establish rules to govern other such transfers consistent with the applicable requirements of Section 423 of the Code.

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m)	"Exchange Act" s	nall mean the Secur	ities Exchange Act (of 1934, as amended.

- (n) "Exercise Date" shall mean the first Trading Day on or after May 16 and November 16 of each Purchase Period. The Exercise Dates for the first Offering Period will be the first Trading Day on or after November 16, 2017, and May 16, 2018.
- (o) "Fair Market Value" shall mean, as of any date and unless the Administrator determines otherwise, the value of Common Stock determined as follows:
- (i) If the Common Stock is listed on any established stock exchange or a national market system, including without limitation the New York Stock Exchange, the Nasdaq Global Market, the Nasdaq Global Select or the Nasdaq Capital Market, its Fair Market Value shall be the closing sales price for such stock (or the closing bid, if no sales were reported) as quoted on such exchange or system on the date of determination, as reported in *The Wall Street Journal* or such other source as the Board deems reliable;
- (ii) If the Common Stock is regularly quoted by a recognized securities dealer but selling prices are not reported, its Fair Market Value shall be the mean of the closing bid and asked prices for the Common Stock on the date of determination, as reported in *The Wall Street Journal* or such other source as the Board deems reliable; or
- (iii) In the absence of an established market for the Common Stock, the Fair Market Value thereof shall be determined in good faith by the Board.
 - (p) "Offering Date" shall mean the first Trading Day of each Offering Period.
 - (q) "Offering Periods" shall mean the periods of approximately twelve (12) months during which an option granted pursuant to the Plan may be exercised, commencing on first Trading Day following each Exercise Date and terminating on the applicable Exercise Date, approximately twelve months later. The duration and timing of Offering Periods may be changed pursuant to Section 4 of this Plan. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the first Offering Period will begin on January 1, 2017, and will end on the May 16, 2018 Exercise Date.
 - (r) "Plan" shall mean this Employee Stock Purchase Plan including both the 423 and Non-423 Components.
 - (s) "Purchase Period" means, for the first Purchase Period of any Offering Period, the approximately six (6) month period commencing on the Offering Date and ending on the next Exercise Date, and for the second Purchase Period of any Offering Period, the approximately six (6) month period commencing on the first day following the first Exercise Date of the Offering Period and ending with the next and final Exercise Date of that Offering Period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the first Purchase Period will begin on January 1, 2017, and will end on the November 16, 2017 Exercise Date.

- (t) "Purchase Price" shall mean an amount equal to eighty-five percent (85%) of the Fair Market Value of a share of Common Stock on the Offering Date or on the Exercise Date, whichever is lower; provided however, that the Purchase Price may be determined for subsequent Offering Periods by the Administrator in any manner or method it determines, pursuant to Section 20, and subject to (i) with respect to the 423 Component, compliance with Section 423 of the Code (or any successor rule or provision or any other applicable law, regulation or stock exchange rule) or (ii) with respect to the Non-423 Component, pursuant to such manner or method as determined by the Administrator to comply with non-U.S. requirements.
- (u) "Subsidiary" shall mean a "subsidiary corporation," whether now or hereafter existing, as defined in Section 424(f) of the Code.
- (v) "<u>Trading Day</u>" shall mean a day on which the national stock exchange upon which the Company Common Stock is listed is open for trading.
- 3. <u>Eligibility</u>. Any Eligible Employee on a given Offering Date shall be eligible to participate in the Plan. Any provisions of the Plan to the contrary notwithstanding, no Eligible Employee shall be granted an option under the Plan (i) to the extent that, immediately after the grant, such Eligible Employee (or any other person whose stock would be attributed to such Eligible Employee pursuant to Section 424(d) of the Code) would own capital stock of the Company and/or hold outstanding options to purchase such stock possessing five percent (5%) or more of the total combined voting power or value of all classes of the capital stock of the Company or of any Subsidiary, or (ii) to the extent that his or her rights to purchase stock under all employee stock purchase plans of the Company and its subsidiaries accrues at a rate which exceeds Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) worth of stock (determined at the fair market value of the shares at the time such option is granted) for each calendar year in which such option is outstanding at any time.
- 4. <u>Offering Periods</u>. The Plan shall be implemented by consecutive, overlapping Offering Periods with a new Offering Period commencing on the first Trading Day following each Exercise Date, or on such other date as the Board shall determine. The Board shall have the power to change the duration of Offering Periods (including the commencement dates thereof) with respect to future offerings without stockholder approval if such change is announced prior to the scheduled beginning of the first Offering Period to be affected thereafter.
- 5. <u>Participation.</u> An Eligible Employee may become a participant in the Plan by completing a subscription agreement in a form determined by the Administrator and filing it with the Company's designated Plan administrator prior to the applicable Offering Date.

6. <u>Payroll Deductions or Contributions.</u>

(a) At the time a participant files his or her subscription agreement, he or she shall elect to have payroll deductions made on each pay day during the Offering Period in an amount not exceeding 10% of the Compensation which he or she receives on each pay day during the Offering Period, provided that the participant's total contributions for each purchase may not exceed \$6,000 (\$12,000 for the purchase on November 16, 2017). If a pay day occur on an Exercise Date, a participant shall have the payroll deductions made on such day applied to his or her account under the subsequent Purchase Period or Offering Period. Eligible Employees participating in the Non-423 Component may contribute funds to participate in the Plan through other means specified by the Administrator to comply with non-U.S. requirements, provided, however, that such contributions shall not exceed 10% of the Compensation received each pay day during the Offering Period, and the total contributions for each purchase may not exceed \$6,000 (\$12,000 for the purchase on November 16, 2017). A participant's subscription agreement shall remain in effect for successive Offering Periods unless terminated as provided in Section 10 hereof.

- (b) Payroll deductions or contributions, as applicable, for a participant shall commence on the first pay day following the Offering Date and shall end on the last pay day in the Offering Period to which such authorization is applicable, unless sooner terminated by the participant as provided in Section 10 hereof.
- (c) All payroll deductions or contributions made by a participant shall be credited to his or her account under the Plan in whole percentages only. A participant may not make any additional payments into such account.
- (d) A participant may discontinue his or her participation in the Plan as provided in Section 10 hereof, or decrease the rate of his or her payroll deductions or contributions during the Offering Period by completing or filing with the Company a new subscription agreement authorizing a change in payroll deduction rate or contribution. The Administrator may, in its discretion, limit the nature and/or number of participation rate changes during any Offering Period. The change in rate shall be effective with the first full payroll period following five (5) business days after the Company's receipt of the new subscription agreement unless the Company elects to process a given change in participation more quickly.
- (e) Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent necessary to comply with Section 423(b)(8) of the Code and Section 3(c) hereof, a participant's payroll deductions or contributions may be decreased to zero percent (0%) at any time during a Purchase Period. Payroll deductions or contributions shall recommence at the rate provided in such participant's subscription agreement at the beginning of the first Purchase Period which is scheduled to end in the following calendar year, unless terminated by the participant as provided in Section 10 hereof.
- (f) At the time the option is exercised, in whole or in part, or at the time some or all of the Company's Common Stock issued under the Plan is disposed of, the participant must make adequate provision for the Company's or its Subsidiary's or Affiliate's federal, state, or any other tax liability payable to any authority, national insurance, social security, payment on account or other tax withholding obligations, if any, which arise upon the exercise of the option or the disposition of the Common Stock including, for the avoidance of doubt, any liability of the participant to pay an employer tax or social contribution obligation, which liability has been shifted to the participant as a matter of law or contract. At any time, the Company or its Subsidiary or Affiliate, as applicable, may, but shall not be obligated to, withhold from the participant's compensation the amount necessary for the Company or its Subsidiary or Affiliate, as applicable, to meet applicable withholding obligations, including any withholding required to make available to the Company or its Subsidiary or Affiliate, as applicable, any tax deductions or benefits attributable to sale or early disposition of Common Stock by the Eligible Employee.

7. Grant of Option. On the Offering Date of each Offering Period, each Eligible Employee participating in such Offering Period shall be granted an option to purchase on each Exercise Date during such Offering Period (at the applicable Purchase Price) up to a number of shares of the Company's Common Stock determined by dividing such Eligible Employee's payroll deductions or contributions accumulated prior to such Exercise Date by the applicable Purchase Price; provided that in no event shall an Eligible Employee be permitted to purchase during each Purchase Period more than 5,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock (subject to any adjustment pursuant to Section 19), and provided further that such purchase shall be subject to the limitations set forth in Sections 3(c) and 13 hereof. The Eligible Employee may accept the grant of such option by turning in a completed Subscription Agreement to the Company on or prior to an Offering Date. The Administrator may, for future Offering Periods, increase or decrease, in its absolute discretion, the maximum number of shares of the Company's Common Stock an Eligible Employee may purchase during each Purchase Period. Exercise of the option shall occur as provided in Section 8 hereof, unless the participant has withdrawn pursuant to Section 10 hereof. The option shall expire on the last day of the Offering Period.

8. <u>Exercise of Option</u>.

- (a) Unless a participant withdraws from the Plan as provided in Section 10 hereof, his or her option for the purchase of shares shall be exercised automatically on the Exercise Date, and the maximum number of full shares subject to option shall be purchased for such participant at the applicable Purchase Price with the accumulated payroll deductions or contributions in his or her account. No fractional shares shall be purchased; any payroll deductions or contributions accumulated in a participant's account which are not sufficient to purchase a full share shall be retained in the participant's account for the subsequent Purchase Period or Offering Period, subject to earlier withdrawal by the participant as provided in Section 10 hereof. Any other funds left over in a participant's account after the Exercise Date shall be returned to the participant. During a participant's lifetime, a participant's option to purchase shares hereunder is exercisable only by him or her.
- (b) If the Administrator determines that, on a given Exercise Date, the number of shares with respect to which options are to be exercised may exceed (i) the number of shares of Common Stock that were available for sale under the Plan on the Offering Date of the applicable Offering Period, or (ii) the number of shares available for sale under the Plan on any Exercise Date, the Administrator may in its sole discretion provide that the Company shall make a pro rata allocation of the shares of Common Stock available for purchase on any Exercise Date in as uniform a manner as shall be practicable and as it shall determine in its sole discretion to be equitable among all participants exercising options to purchase Common Stock on any Exercise Date. The Company may make a pro rata allocation of the shares available on the Offering Date of any applicable Offering Period pursuant to the preceding sentence, notwithstanding any authorization of additional shares for issuance under the Plan by the Company's stockholders subsequent to such Offering Date.
- 9. <u>Delivery.</u> As soon as reasonably practicable after each Exercise Date on which a purchase of shares occurs, the Company shall arrange the delivery to each participant the shares purchased upon exercise of his or her option in a form determined by the Administrator.

10. <u>Withdrawal</u>.

- (a) A participant may withdraw all but not less than all the payroll deductions or contributions credited to his or her account and not yet used to exercise his or her option under the Plan at any time by giving written notice to the Company in the form determined by the Administrator. All of the participant's payroll deductions or contributions credited to his or her account shall be paid to such participant promptly after receipt of notice of withdrawal and such participant's option for the Offering Period shall be automatically terminated, and no further payroll deductions or contributions for the purchase of shares shall be made for such Offering Period. If a participant withdraws from an Offering Period, payroll deductions or contributions shall not resume at the beginning of the succeeding Offering Period unless the participant delivers to the Company a new subscription agreement.
- (b) A participant's withdrawal from an Offering Period shall not have any effect upon his or her eligibility to participate in any similar plan which may hereafter be adopted by the Company or in succeeding Offering Periods which commence after the termination of the Offering Period from which the participant withdraws.
- 11. <u>Termination of Employment</u>. Upon a participant's ceasing to be an Eligible Employee, for any reason, he or she shall be deemed to have elected to withdraw from the Plan and the payroll deductions or contributions credited to such participant's account during the Offering Period but not yet used to purchase shares of Common Stock under the Plan shall be returned to such participant or, in the case of his or her death, to the person or persons entitled thereto under Section 15, and such participant's option shall be automatically terminated.
- 12. <u>Interest.</u> No interest shall accrue on the payroll deductions or contributions of a participant in the Plan. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Administrator determines that interest is required to be accrued on the payroll deductions or contributions for participants in the Non-423 Component, then the Administrator shall cause such interest to accrue to the extent required by applicable non-U.S. requirements.

13. Stock.

- (a) Subject to adjustment upon changes in capitalization of the Company as provided in Section 19 hereof, the maximum number of shares of the Company's Common Stock which shall be made available for sale under the Plan shall be 225,000 shares. For avoidance of doubt, the maximum number of share limitation set forth in this section may be used to satisfy exercises of options under either the 423 or the Non-423 Components.
- (b) Until the shares are issued (as evidenced by the appropriate entry on the books of the Company or of a duly authorized transfer agent of the Company), a participant shall only have the rights of an unsecured creditor with respect to such shares, and no right to vote or receive dividends or any other rights as a stockholder shall exist with respect to such shares.
- (c) Shares to be delivered to a participant under the Plan shall be registered in the name of the participant or in the name of the participant and his or her spouse.

Administration. The Administrator shall administer the Plan and shall have full and exclusive discretionary authority to construe, interpret and apply the terms of the Plan, to determine eligibility and to adjudicate all disputed claims filed under the Plan, including whether eligible Employees shall participate in the 423 Component or the Non-423 Component and which entities shall be Designated Subsidiaries or Designated Affiliates. Every finding, decision and determination made by the Administrator shall, to the full extent permitted by law, be final and binding upon all parties. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Plan, the Administrator may adopt rules or procedures relating to the operation and administration of the Plan to accommodate the specific requirements of local laws and procedures for jurisdictions outside of the United States. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Administrator is specifically authorized to adopt rules, procedures and subplans, which for purposes of the Non-423 Component may be outside the scope of Section 423 of the Code, regarding, but not limited to, eligibility to participate, the definition of Compensation, handling of payroll deductions, making of contributions to the Plan (including, without limitation, in forms other than payroll deductions), establishment of bank or trust accounts to hold payroll deductions, payment of interest, conversion of local currency, obligations to pay payroll tax, determination of beneficiary designation requirements, withholding procedures and handling of stock certificates which vary with local requirements.

15. <u>Designation of Beneficiary.</u>

- Unless otherwise provided in the subscription agreement, and at the discretion of the Administrator prior to the beginning of an Offering Period, a participant in the 423 Component may file a designation of a beneficiary who is to receive any shares and cash, if any, from the participant's account under the Plan in the event of such participant's death subsequent to an Exercise Date on which the option is exercised but prior to delivery to such participant of such shares and cash. In addition, at the discretion of the Administrator prior to the beginning of an Offering Period, a participant in the 423 Component may file a designation of a beneficiary who is to receive any cash from the participant's account under the Plan in the event of such participant's death prior to exercise of the option. If a participant is married and the designated beneficiary is not the spouse, spousal consent shall be required for such designation to be effective.
- (b) Such designation of beneficiary may be changed by the participant at any time by notice in a form determined by the Administrator. In the event of the death of a participant and in the absence of a beneficiary validly designated under the Plan who is living at the time of such participant's death, the Company shall deliver such shares and/or cash to the executor or administrator of the estate of the participant, or if no such executor or administrator has been appointed (to the knowledge of the Company), the Company, in its discretion, may deliver such shares and/or cash to the spouse or to any one or more dependents or relatives of the participant, or if no spouse, dependent or relative is known to the Company, then to such other person as the Company may designate.
- (c) All beneficiary designations shall be in such form and manner as the Administrator may designate from time to time.
- 16. <u>Transferability</u>. Neither payroll deductions nor contributions credited to a participant's account nor any rights with regard to the exercise of an option or to receive shares under the Plan may be assigned, transferred, pledged or otherwise disposed of in any way (other than by will, the laws of descent and distribution or as provided in Section 15 hereof) by the participant. Any such attempt at assignment, transfer, pledge or other disposition shall be without effect, except that the Company may treat such act as an election to withdraw funds from an Offering Period in accordance with Section 10 hereof.

- 17. <u>Use of Funds</u>. All payroll deductions or contributions received or held by the Company under the Plan may be used by the Company for any corporate purpose, and the Company shall not be obligated to segregate such payroll deductions or contributions except for deductions or contributions made to a Non-423 Component where, as determined by the Administrator, non-U.S. law requires segregation of such amounts. Until shares are issued, participants shall only have the rights of an unsecured creditor, although participants in the Non-423 Component may have additional rights where required under local law, as determined by the Administrator.
- 18. Reports. Individual accounts shall be maintained for each participant in the Plan. Statements of account shall be given to participating Eligible Employees at least annually, which statements shall set forth the amounts of payroll deductions, the Purchase Price, the number of shares purchased and the remaining cash balance, if any.
- 19. Adjustments Upon Changes in Capitalization, Dissolution, Liquidation, Merger or Change in Control.
 - (a) Changes in Capitalization. Subject to any required action by the stockholders of the Company, the maximum number of shares of the Company's Common Stock which shall be made available for sale under the Plan, the maximum number of shares each participant may purchase each Purchase Period (pursuant to Section 7), as well as the price per share and the number of shares of Common Stock covered by each option under the Plan which has not yet been exercised shall be proportionately adjusted for any increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock resulting from a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend, combination or reclassification of the Common Stock, or any other change in the number of shares of Common Stock effected without receipt of consideration by the Company; provided, however, that conversion of any convertible securities of the Company shall not be deemed to have been "effected without receipt of consideration." Such adjustment shall be made by the Administrator, whose determination in that respect shall be final, binding and conclusive. Except as expressly provided herein, no issuance by the Company of shares of stock of any class, or securities convertible into shares of stock of any class, shall affect, and no adjustment by reason thereof shall be made with respect to, the number or price of shares of Common Stock subject to an option.
 - (b) <u>Dissolution or Liquidation</u>. In the event of the proposed dissolution or liquidation of the Company, all Offering Periods then in progress shall be shortened by setting a new Exercise Date (the "New Exercise Date"), and shall terminate immediately prior to the consummation of such proposed dissolution or liquidation, unless provided otherwise by the Administrator. The New Exercise Date shall be before the date of the Company's proposed dissolution or liquidation. The Administrator shall notify each participant in writing, at least ten (10) business days prior to the New Exercise Date, that the Exercise Date for the participant's option has been changed to the New Exercise Date and that the participant's option shall be exercised automatically on the New Exercise Date, unless prior to such date the participant has withdrawn from the Offering Period as provided in Section 10 hereof.

(c) Merger or Change in Control. In the event of a merger or Change in Control, each outstanding option shall be assumed or an equivalent option substituted by the successor corporation or a Parent or Subsidiary of the successor corporation. In the event that the successor corporation refuses to assume or substitute for the option, all Offering Periods then in progress shall be shortened by setting a New Exercise Date and shall end on the New Exercise Date. The New Exercise Date shall be before the date of the Company's proposed merger or Change in Control. The Administrator shall notify each participant in writing, at least ten (10) business days prior to the New Exercise Date, that the Exercise Date for the participant's option has been changed to the New Exercise Date and that the participant's option shall be exercised automatically on the New Exercise Date, unless prior to such date the participant has withdrawn from the Offering Period as provided in Section 10 hereof.

20. <u>Amendment or Termination</u>.

- (a) The Administrator may at any time and for any reason terminate or amend the Plan. Except as provided in Section 19 and this Section 20 hereof, no amendment may make any change in any option theretofore granted which adversely affects the rights of any participant unless their consent is obtained. To the extent necessary to comply with Section 423 of the Code (or any successor rule or provision or any other applicable law, regulation or stock exchange rule), the Company shall obtain stockholder approval of any amendment in such a manner and to such a degree as required.
- (b) Without stockholder approval and without regard to whether any participant rights may be considered to have been "adversely affected," the Administrator shall be entitled to change the Offering Periods or Purchase Periods, limit the frequency and/or number of changes in the amount withheld during an Offering Period or Purchase Period, establish the exchange ratio applicable to amounts withheld in a currency other than U.S. dollars, permit payroll withholding in excess of the amount designated by a participant in order to adjust for delays or mistakes in the Company's processing of properly completed subscription agreements, establish reasonable waiting and adjustment periods and/or accounting and crediting procedures to ensure that amounts applied toward the purchase of Common Stock for each participant properly correspond with amounts withheld from the participant's Compensation, and establish such other limitations or procedures as the Administrator determines in its sole discretion advisable which are consistent with the Plan.
- (c) Without regard to whether any participant's rights may be considered to have been "adversely affected", in the event the Administrator determines that the ongoing operation of the Plan may result in unfavorable financial accounting consequences, the Board may, in its discretion and, to the extent necessary or desirable, modify or amend the Plan to reduce or eliminate such accounting consequence including:

(i) increasing the Purchase Price for any Offering Period or Purchase Period including an Offering Period or Purchase Period underway at the time of the change in Purchase Price;

- (ii) shortening any Offering Period or Purchase Period by establishing a new Exercise Date, including an Offering Period or Purchase Period underway at the time of the Board action; and
 - (iii) reducing the number of shares that may be purchased upon exercise of outstanding options.

Such modifications or amendments shall not require stockholder approval or the consent of any Plan participants.

- 21. Notices. All notices or other communications by a participant to the Company under or in connection with the Plan shall be deemed to have been duly given when received in the form and manner specified by the Company at the location, or by the person, designated by the Company for the receipt thereof.
- 22. <u>Conditions Upon Issuance of Shares.</u> Shares shall not be issued with respect to an option unless the exercise of such option and the issuance and delivery of such shares pursuant thereto shall comply with all applicable provisions of law, U.S. and non-U.S. and state and local provisions, including, without limitation, the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Exchange Act, the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and the requirements of any stock exchange upon which the shares may then be listed, and shall be further subject to the approval of counsel for the Company with respect to such compliance.

As a condition to the exercise of an option, the Company may require the person exercising such option to represent and warrant at the time of any such exercise that the shares are being purchased only for investment and without any present intention to sell or distribute such shares if, in the opinion of counsel for the Company, such a representation is required by any of the aforementioned applicable provisions of law.

- 23. <u>Term of Plan</u>. The Plan shall become effective upon the earlier to occur of its adoption by the Board of Directors or its approval by the stockholders of the Company. It shall continue in effect until terminated under Section 20 hereof.
- 24. <u>Stockholder Approval</u>. The Plan will be subject to the approval by stockholders of the Company within twelve (12) months after the date the Plan is adopted by the Board. Such stockholder approval will be obtained in the manner and to the degree required under applicable law.