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To the Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: Please record the attached documents or the new address(es) below.				
Name of conveying party(ies) Vortex Technology Group, LLC	2. Name and address of receiving party(ies) Name: Audax Private Debt LLC Internal Address: 25th Floor			
Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes No 3. Nature of conveyance/Execution Date(s): Execution Date(s) September 1, 2023 Assignment Merger Security Agreement Change of Name Joint Research Agreement Government Interest Assignment Executive Order 9424, Confirmatory License Other	Street Address: 101 Huntington Avenue City: Boston State: MA Country: USA Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes			
	document serves as an Oath/Declaration (37 CFR 1.63).			
A. Patent Application No.(s) See Schedule 1 Additional numbers att	B. Patent No.(s) See Schedule 1 ached? Yes No			
5. Name and address to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:	6. Total number of applications and patents involved:			
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PATENT SECURITY AGREEMENT

THIS PATENT SECURITY AGREEMENT, dated as of September 1, 2023, is made by Vortex Technology Group, LLC (the "<u>Grantor</u>"), in favor of Audax Private Debt LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, as administrative agent (in such capacity, together with its successors and permitted assigns, the "<u>Agent</u>") for the Lenders, the L/C Issuers, and the other Secured Parties (as defined in the Credit Agreement referred to below).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Credit Agreement, dated as of September 1, 2023 as the same may be amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented and/or modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"), among Vortex Intermediate, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Holdings"), the Initial Borrower, the Borrower, the other Credit Parties from time to time party thereto, the Lenders, the L/C Issuers from time to time party thereto and the Agent, the Lenders and the L/C Issuers have severally agreed to make extensions of credit to the Borrower upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth therein;

WHEREAS, the Grantor has agreed, pursuant to a Guaranty and Security Agreement, dated as of September 1, 2023 (as the same may be amended, restated, amended and restated, supplemented or modified from time to time, the "Guaranty and Security Agreement"), to guarantee the Obligations (as defined in the Credit Agreement) of the Borrower; and

WHEREAS, the Grantor is party to the Guaranty and Security Agreement pursuant to which the Grantor is required to execute and deliver this Patent Security Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and to induce the Lenders, the L/C Issuers and the Agent to enter into the Credit Agreement and to induce the Lenders and the L/C Issuers to make their respective extensions of credit to the Borrower thereunder, the Grantor hereby agrees with the Agent as follows:

- <u>Section 1.</u> <u>Defined Terms</u>. Capitalized terms used herein without definition are used as defined in the Guaranty and Security Agreement.
- Section 2. Grant of Security Interest in Patent Collateral. The Grantor, as collateral security for the prompt and complete payment and performance when due (whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise) of the Secured Obligations of such Grantor, hereby mortgages, pledges and hypothecates to the Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties, and grants to the Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties a Lien on and security interest in, all of its right, title and interest in, to and under the following Collateral of such Grantor (the "Patent Collateral"):
 - (a) all of its Patents providing for the grant by or to such Grantor of any right under any Patent, including, without limitation, those referred to on Schedule 1 hereto;
 - (b) all reissues, reexaminations, continuations, continuations-in-part, divisionals, renewals and extensions of the foregoing; and
 - (c) all income, royalties, proceeds and Liabilities at any time due or payable or asserted under and with respect to any of the foregoing, including, without limitation, all rights to sue and recover at law or in equity for any past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, dilution, violation or other impairment thereof.

- Section 3. Guaranty and Security Agreement. The security interest granted pursuant to this Patent Security Agreement is granted in conjunction with the security interest granted to the Agent pursuant to the Guaranty and Security Agreement and the Grantor hereby acknowledges and agrees that the rights and remedies of the Agent with respect to the security interest in the Patent Collateral made and granted hereby are more fully set forth in the Guaranty and Security Agreement, the terms and provisions of which are incorporated by reference herein as if fully set forth herein. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this Patent Security Agreement and the provisions of the Guaranty and Security Agreement, the Guaranty and Security Agreement shall govern.
- <u>Section 4.</u> <u>Grantor Remains Liable.</u> The Grantor hereby agrees that, subject to the limitations set forth in the Guaranty and Security Agreement, such Grantor shall assume full and complete responsibility for the prosecution, defense, enforcement or any other necessary or desirable actions in connection with their Patents subject to a security interest hereunder.
- <u>Section 5.</u> <u>Counterparts.</u> This Patent Security Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and by different parties in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. Signature pages may be detached from multiple separate counterparts and attached to a single counterpart.
- <u>Section 6.</u> <u>Governing Law.</u> This Patent Security Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed by, and construed and interpreted in accordance with, the law of the State of New York.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has caused this Patent Security Agreement to be executed and delivered by its duly authorized officer as of the date first set forth above.

Very truly yours,

VORTEX. TEGHNOLOGY GROUP, LLC, as Grantor

By: 000000556021110400c...
Name: Matthew Samford Title: Chief Financial Officer ACCEPTED AND AGREED as of the date first written above:

AUDAX PRIVATE DEBT LLC,

as Agent

By:

Brynst Shi Name: Bryant Shain

Title: Authorized Signatory

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SCHEDULE I TO PATENT SECURITY AGREEMENT

Patent Registrations

1. REGISTERED PATENTS

<u>Title</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	Patent No.
SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REAL-TIME TRACKING OF OBJECTS	US	5/3/2016	9,328,857
METHOD FOR MONITORING THE STATE OF A TUBE FOR A COATING IN A SYSTEM OF PIPES OR DUCTS	US	4/24/2012	8,162,535
METHOD FOR MONITORING THE STATE OF A TUBE FOR A COATING IN A SYSTEM OF PIPES OR DUCTS	US	5/20/2014	8,727,614

2. PATENT APPLICATIONS

None.

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