## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# Form S-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

## **Matthews International Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Two NorthShore Center

Pennsylvania (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 25-0644320 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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## APPROXIMATE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROPOSED SALE TO THE PUBLIC:

From time to time after the effective date of this registration statement.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box.

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#### **PROSPECTUS**

## **Matthews International Corporation**

3,000,000 Shares of Class A Common Stock

We may offer and sell up to that number of shares of our Class A Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share, which, except as otherwise noted, we refer to in this prospectus as common stock, identified above, from time to time in one or more offerings. This prospectus provides you with a general description of our common stock. The aggregate number of shares of common stock sold under this prospectus will not exceed 3,000,000 shares.

Each time we offer and sell shares of our common stock, if necessary, we will provide a supplement to this prospectus that contains specific information about the offering, as well as the amounts, prices and terms of the common stock. The supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus with respect to that offering. You should carefully read this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement before you invest in our common stock.

We may offer and sell shares of our common stock described in this prospectus and any prospectus supplement to or through one or more underwriters, dealers and agents, or directly to purchasers, or through a combination of these methods.

If any underwriters, dealers or agents are involved in the sale of any of the securities, their names and any applicable purchase price, fee, commission or discount arrangement between or among them will be set forth, or will be calculable from the information set forth, in the applicable prospectus supplement. See the sections of this prospectus entitled "About this Prospectus" and "Plan of Distribution" for more information. No securities may be sold without delivery of this prospectus and, if necessary, the applicable prospectus supplement describing the method and terms of the offering of such securities.

INVESTING IN OUR COMMON STOCK INVOLVES RISKS. SEE THE "RISK FACTORS" ON PAGE 6 OF THIS PROSPECTUS AND ANY SIMILAR SECTION CONTAINED IN ANY APPLICABLE PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT CONCERNING FACTORS YOU SHOULD CONSIDER BEFORE INVESTING IN OUR COMMON STOCK.

Our common stock is listed on The Nasdaq Global Select Market ("Nasdaq") under the symbol "MATW." On March 10, 2025, the last reported sale price of our common stock on Nasdaq was \$23.64 per share.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense. The securities are not being offered in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted.

The date of this prospectus is March 11, 2025.

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#### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of an automatic registration statement on Form S-3 that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") using a "shelf" registration process. Under this shelf registration process, we may, at any time and from time to time, offer and sell up to 3,000,000 shares of our common stock in one or more offerings. Each time securities are offered, we will provide a prospectus supplement. We may also authorize one or more free writing prospectuses to be provided to you in connection with the offering. The prospectus supplement and/or free writing prospectus will contain specific information about the terms and manner of that offering. The prospectus supplement and free writing prospectus may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. Any such information that is inconsistent with this prospectus will supersede the information in this prospectus. You should read both this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus together with the additional information described below under the heading "Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference."

We have filed or incorporated by reference exhibits to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. This prospectus contains summaries of certain provisions contained in some of the exhibits to our registration statement, but reference is made to the actual documents for complete information. All of the summaries are qualified in their entirety by the full text of these documents. You may obtain copies of these documents at no cost by writing to or telephoning us at the address and telephone number given under the heading "Where You Can Find More Information" below.

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement, any free writing prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein or therein. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information different from that contained in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement, free writing prospectus or document incorporated by reference herein or therein. This prospectus may be used only where it is legal to sell these securities. This prospectus is not an offer to sell, or a solicitation of an offer to buy, in any state where the offer or sale is prohibited. The information in this prospectus, any prospectus supplement, free writing prospectus or any document incorporated herein or therein by reference is accurate as of the date contained on the cover of such documents. Neither the delivery of this prospectus or any prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus, nor any sale made under this prospectus or any prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus will, under any circumstances, imply that the information in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus is correct as of any date after the date of this prospectus or any such prospectus supplement or free writing prospectus or prospectus and prospects may have changed since that date.

References to the number of shares of our common stock in this prospectus shall be subject to automatic adjustment for any stock splits, stock dividends, reverse stock splits, or similar event with respect to our common stock.

When we refer to "we," "our," "us," "Matthews" and the "Company" in this prospectus, we mean Matthews International Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries, unless otherwise specified. When we refer to "you," we mean the potential holders of shares of our common stock.

#### INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The Commission allows us to "incorporate by reference" into this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement the information we have filed with the Commission. This means that we can disclose important information by referring you to those documents. Our Commission filing number is 001-09115. All documents that we file with the Commission pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, on or after the date of this prospectus and prior to the termination of the offering of any securities covered by this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement will be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this prospectus and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. We are not, however, incorporating by reference any documents or portions thereof, whether specifically listed below or filed in the future, that are not deemed "filed" with the Commission under its rules and regulations, including information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 or 7.01 of Form 8-K. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in this prospectus shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus.

We incorporate by reference the following documents that we have already filed with the Commission, and any documents that we file with the Commission in the future, under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, until the termination of the offering of any securities covered by this prospectus and the accompanying prospectus supplement:

- our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2024 (including portions of our Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, filed with the Commission on January 7, 2025, incorporated by reference in such Annual Report on Forml0-K);
- our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended <u>December 31, 2024</u>;
- our Current Reports on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on <u>December 10, 2024</u>, <u>January 8, 2025</u>, <u>January 27, 2025</u>, <u>February 6, 2025</u>, <u>February 19, 2025</u>, <u>February 21, 2025</u>, <u>February 25, 2025</u>; and
- the description of our common stock contained in <a href="Exhibit 4.4"><u>Exhibit 4.4</u></a> to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2024, including any subsequent amendment or any report subsequently filed for the purpose of updating such description.

Copies of all documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus will be provided without charge to each person to whom a copy of this prospectus is delivered (other than the exhibits to such documents which are not specifically incorporated by reference herein), upon written or oral request. Requests should be directed to Matthews International Corporation, Two NorthShore Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15212-5851, Attention: Corporate Secretary, or telephone number: (412) 442-8200. You also may obtain copies of these filings, at no cost, by accessing our website at www.matw.com/investors. The information contained on, or otherwise accessible through, our website is not incorporated into, and does not constitute a part of this prospectus, any accompanying prospectus supplement or any other report or document we file with or furnish to the Commission.

#### WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We file annual, quarterly and other periodic reports, proxy statements and other information with the Commission. Our filings with the Commission are available to the public without charge at the Commission's website: www.sec.gov. This information is also available on our website at www.matw.com/investors. Except as set forth in the "Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference" section of this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, the information contained on, or otherwise accessible through, these websites are not incorporated into, and do not constitute a part of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus or any other report or document that we file with or furnish to the Commission.

This prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement are part of the registration statement on FormS-3 filed with the Commission under the Securities Act for the common stock offered by this prospectus. This prospectus does not, and any accompanying prospectus supplement will not, contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement, certain parts of which have been omitted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission. For further information, reference is made to the registration statement and its exhibits. Whenever we make references in this prospectus or any accompanying prospectus supplement to any of our contracts, agreements or other documents, the references are not necessarily complete and you should refer to the exhibits attached to the registration statement for the copies of the actual contract, agreement or other document.

#### CAUTIONARY STATEMENTS REGARDING FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, the applicable prospectus supplement and the information incorporated by reference herein and therein include "forward-looking statements" pursuant to the "safe harbor" provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the expectations, hopes, beliefs, intentions or strategies of the Company regarding the future, including statements regarding the anticipated timing and benefits of the proposed joint venture transaction, and may be identified by the use of words such as "expects," "believes," "intends," "projects," "anticipates," "estimates," "plans," "seeks," "forecasts," "predicts," "objective," "targets," "potential," "outlook," "may," "will," "could" or the negative of these terms, other comparable terminology and variations thereof. Such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that may cause the Company's actual results in future periods to be materially different from management's expectations, and no assurance can be given that such expectations will prove correct. Factors that could cause the Company's results to differ materially from the results discussed in such forward-looking statements principally include our ability to satisfy the conditions precedent to the consummation of the proposed joint venture transaction on the expected timeline or at all, our ability to achieve the anticipated benefits of the proposed joint venture transaction, changes in domestic or international economic conditions, changes in foreign currency exchange rates, changes in interest rates, changes in the cost of materials used in the manufacture of the Company's products, including changes in costs due to adjustments to tariffs, any impairment of goodwill or intangible assets, environmental liability and limitations on the Company's operations due to environmental laws and regulations, disruptions to certain services, such as telecommunications, network server maintenance, cloud computing or transaction processing services, provided to the Company by third-parties, changes in mortality and cremation rates, changes in product demand or pricing as a result of consolidation in the industries in which the Company operates, or other factors such as supply chain disruptions, labor shortages or labor cost increases, changes in product demand or pricing as a result of domestic or international competitive pressures, ability to achieve cost-reduction objectives, unknown risks in connection with the Company's acquisitions and divestitures and business combinations, cybersecurity concerns and costs arising with management of cybersecurity threats, effectiveness of the Company's internal controls, compliance with domestic and foreign laws and regulations, technological factors beyond the Company's control, impact of pandemics or similar outbreaks, or other disruptions to our industries, customers, or supply chains, the impact of global conflicts, such as the current war between Russia and Ukraine, the Company's plans and expectations with respect to its exploration, and contemplated execution, of various strategies with respect to its portfolio of businesses, the Company's plans and expectations with respect to its Board of Directors (the "Board"), and other factors described in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K and other periodic filings with the Commission after the date of this prospectus, and all other information contained or incorporated by reference into this prospectus, as updated by our subsequent filings under the Exchange Act, and the risk factors incorporated and other information contained in any applicable prospectus supplement and any applicable free writing prospectus. In addition, although we do not have any customers that would be considered individually significant to consolidated sales, changes in the distribution of our products or the potential loss of one or more of our larger customers are also considered risk factors. We caution that the foregoing list of important factors is not all inclusive. Readers are also cautioned not to place undue reliance on any forward looking statements, which reflect management's analysis only as of the date hereof and thereof, even if subsequently made available by us on our website or otherwise. We do not undertake to update any forward looking statement, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time by or on behalf of us to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of this prospectus or the date of any prospectus supplement. We post important information on our investor relations website, available at matw.com/investors. Readers are encouraged to review the contents of such website. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the contents of such website are not incorporated into this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement.

#### **SUMMARY**

This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus or incorporated by reference herein. This summary is not complete and does not contain all of the information that you should consider before buying any shares of our common stock offered pursuant to this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement. You should read this entire prospectus carefully, including the section entitled "Risk Factors" beginning on page 6 of this prospectus and all other information, including our consolidated financial statements and the related notes, that are included or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement before you decide to purchase any securities offered pursuant to this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement.

#### **About Matthews International Corporation**

Matthews, founded in 1850 and incorporated in Pennsylvania in 1902, is a global provider of memorialization products, industrial technologies, and brand solutions. The Memorialization segment is a leading provider of memorialization products, including memorials, caskets, cremation-related products, and cremation and incineration equipment, primarily to cemetery and funeral home customers that help families move from grief to remembrance. The Industrial Technologies segment includes the design, manufacturing, service and sales of high-tech custom energy storage solutions; product identification and warehouse automation technologies and solutions, including order fulfillment systems for identifying, tracking, picking and conveying consumer and industrial products; and coating and converting lines for the packaging, pharma, foil, décor and tissue industries. The SGK Brand Solutions segment is a leading provider of packaging solutions and brand experiences, helping companies simplify their marketing, amplify their brands and provide value. On January 7, 2025, the Company entered into the Contribution Agreement (as defined below) under which it will sell its interests in the SGK Brand Solutions business to a newly formed entity created by affiliates of Southern Graphics, Inc., which will combine the SGK Brand Solutions business with the Southern Graphics, Inc. business. Under the terms of the Contribution Agreement, at the closing of the proposed transactions, the Company will receive \$250,000 in cash at closing and \$50,000 of preferred equity in the new entity. In addition, at the closing of the proposed transactions, the Company will receive a 40% interest in the common equity of the new entity. The Company will also retain its European packaging business and other related investments following the closing of the proposed transaction. The proposed transaction is expected to be completed during fiscal year 2025, subject to customary closing conditions, including regulatory approvals. On February 25, 2025, the Company announced the expiration of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 in connection with the proposed transaction.

#### **Additional Information**

The Company's principal executive offices are located at Two NorthShore Center, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15212, its telephone number is (412) 442-8200 and its website is www.matw.com.

#### RISK FACTORS

Investing our common stock offered pursuant to this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement involves substantial risks. Before purchasing our common stock, you should carefully consider the risk factors discussed in our most recently filed Annual Report on Form 10-K and our Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended December 31, 2024, which are incorporated by reference into this prospectus, as such may be updated and supplemented by any applicable prospectus supplement and any applicable free writing prospectus, our subsequent Commission filings, as well as the risks, uncertainties and additional information set forth in future Commission filings that are deemed incorporated by reference herein. Each of the risks described could result in a material decrease in the value of our securities and your investment in them. The risks and uncertainties we discuss below and under the caption "Risk Factors" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q are those that we currently believe may materially affect our Company. Additional risks not presently known, or currently deemed immaterial, also could materially and adversely affect our financial condition or performance.

## USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless we state otherwise in the applicable prospectus supplement, we expect to use the net proceeds from our sale of the offered shares of common stock for working capital and general corporate purposes, which may include the repayment of indebtedness. Any specific allocation of the net proceeds of an offering of securities will be determined at the time of such offering and will be described in the accompanying prospectus supplement. In the event that any net proceeds are not immediately applied, we may temporarily hold them as cash, deposit them in financial institutions, or invest them in cash equivalents or securities that our investment policies permit us to invest in from time to time.

#### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We may use this prospectus and any accompanying prospectus supplement to sell the offered common stock from time to time in one or more transactions as follows:

- directly to one or more purchasers;
- to or through underwriters;
- to or through dealers;
- · through agents;
- · through any combination of methods of sale; or
- through any other method permitted by applicable law and described in a prospectus supplement.

Each prospectus supplement relating to an offering of the shares of common stock will set forth the specific plan of distribution and state the terms of the offering, including:

- the method of distribution of the shares of common stock offered therein;
- the names of any underwriters, dealers, or agents;
- · the public offering or purchase price of the offered common stock and the net proceeds that we will receive from the sale;
- any underwriting discounts, commissions or other items constituting underwriters' compensation;
- · any discounts, commissions, or fees allowed, re-allowed or paid to dealers or agents; and
- · any securities exchange on which the offered common stock may be listed.

Any public offering price and any discounts, commissions, fees or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to underwriters, dealers, or agents may be changed from time to time.

#### **Distribution Through Underwriters**

We may offer and sell our common stock from time to time to one or more underwriters who would purchase the common stock as principal for resale to the public, either on a firm commitment or best efforts basis. If underwriters are used in the sale of our common stock, we will execute an underwriting agreement with them at the time of the sale and will name them in the applicable prospectus supplement. In connection with these sales, the underwriters may be deemed to have received compensation from us in the form of underwriting discounts and commissions. The underwriters also may receive commissions from purchasers of shares of common stock for whom they may act as agent. Unless we specify otherwise in the applicable prospectus supplement, the underwriters will not be obligated to purchase the shares of common stock unless the conditions set forth in the underwriting agreement are satisfied, and if the underwriters purchase any of the common stock, they generally will be required to purchase all of the offered common stock. The underwriters may acquire the common stock for their own account and may resell the common stock from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or varying prices determined at the time of sale. The underwriters may sell the offered common stock to or through dealers, and those dealers may receive discounts, concessions, or commissions from the underwriters as well as from the purchasers for whom they may act as agent.

### **Distribution Through Dealers**

We may offer and sell shares of common stock from time to time to one or more dealers who would purchase the common stock as principal. The dealers then may resell the offered common stock to the public at fixed or varying prices to be determined by those dealers at the time of resale. We will set forth the names of any dealers and the terms of the transaction in the applicable prospectus supplement.

#### **Distribution Through Agents**

We may offer and sell shares of our common stock on a continuous basis through agents that become parties to an underwriting or distribution agreement. We will name any agent involved in the offer and sale, and describe any commissions payable by us in the applicable prospectus supplement. Unless we specify otherwise in the applicable prospectus supplement, the agent will be acting on a best efforts basis during the appointment period. The agent may make sales in privately negotiated transactions and by any other method permitted by law, including sales deemed to be in an "at-the-market" offering as defined in Rule 415 promulgated under the Securities Act, including sales made directly on Nasdaq, or sales made to or through a market maker other than on an exchange.

#### **Direct Sales**

We may sell directly to, and solicit offers from, institutional investors or others who may be deemed to be underwriters, as defined in the Securities Act, for any resale of the securities. We will describe the terms of any sales of this kind in the applicable prospectus supplement.

#### General Information

Any underwriters, dealers or agents participating in an offering of our common stock may be deemed to be underwriters, and any discounts and commissions received by them and any profit realized by them on resale of the offered common stock, may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act.

We may offer to sell shares of common stock either at a fixed price or at prices that may vary, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to prevailing market prices, or at negotiated prices. Shares of common stock may be sold in connection with a remarketing after their purchase by one or more firms acting as principal for their own accounts or as our agent. In addition, we may issue the shares of common stock as a dividend or distribution to our existing security holders.

In connection with an underwritten offering of the common stock, the underwriters may engage in over-allotment, stabilizing transactions and syndicate covering transactions in accordance with Regulation M under the Exchange Act. Over-allotment involves sales in excess of the offering size, which creates a short position for the underwriters. The underwriters may enter bids for, and purchase, shares of common stock in the open market in order to stabilize the price of the common stock. Syndicate covering transactions involve purchases of the common stock in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover short positions. In addition, the underwriting syndicate may reclaim selling concessions allowed to an underwriter or a dealer for distributing the common stock in the offering if the syndicate repurchases previously distributed shares of common stock in transactions to cover syndicate short positions, in stabilization transactions, or otherwise. These activities may cause the price of the common stock to be higher than it would otherwise be. Those activities, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time.

Ordinarily, each issue of common stock will be a new issue. Our common stock is listed on Nasdaq under the symbol "MATW". Any underwriters to whom or agents through whom the offered shares of common stock are sold for offering and sale may make a market in the offered common stock. However, any underwriters or agents that make a market will not be obligated to do so and may stop doing so at any time without notice. We cannot assure you that there will be a liquid trading market for the offered common stock.

We may authorize underwriters, dealers or agents to solicit offers by certain purchasers to purchase the shares of common stock from us at the public offering price set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement pursuant to delayed delivery contracts providing for payment and delivery on a specified date in the future. The contracts will be subject only to those conditions set forth in the related prospectus supplement, and the related prospectus supplement will set forth any commissions we pay for solicitation of these contracts.

Under agreements entered into with us, underwriters and agents may be entitled to indemnification by us against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribution for payments the underwriters or agents may be required to make.

Although we expect that the delivery of shares of common stock generally will be made against payment on or about the business day following the date of any contract for sale, we may specify a longer settlement cycle in the applicable prospectus supplement. Under Rule 15c6-1 of the Exchange Act, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle on the next business day, unless the parties to a trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, if we have specified a longer settlement cycle in the applicable prospectus supplement for an offering of shares of common stock, purchasers who wish to trade those shares of common stock on the date of the contract for sale, or on one or more of the next succeeding business days as we may specify in the applicable prospectus supplement, will be required, by virtue of the fact that those shares of common stock will settle in more than one business day after the trade date to specify an alternative settlement cycle at the time of the trade to prevent a failed settlement and should consult their own advisors in connection with that election.

#### Conflict of Interest

We may engage underwriters, dealers and agents in connection with the offering of any of the securities described in this prospectus, some of whom may have a "conflict of interest," as such term is defined by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. In the event an underwriter, dealer or agent who is participating in the offering has a conflict of interest, we will describe the nature of the conflict in the applicable prospectus supplement, and, if applicable, the name of the underwriter, dealer or agent who is acting as the "qualified independent underwriter" and its role and responsibilities in the offering.

The underwriters, dealers and agents that we may use, as well as their affiliates, may engage in financial or other business transactions with, or perform other services for, us and our subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business and may receive a portion of the proceeds from this offering.

## LEGAL MATTERS

Certain legal matters will be covered by Cozen O'Connor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

#### **EXPERTS**

The consolidated financial statements of Matthews International Corporation and Subsidiaries appearing in Matthews International Corporation's Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended September 30, 2024, and the effectiveness of Matthews International Corporation and Subsidiaries' internal control over financial reporting as of September 30, 2024, have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their reports thereon included therein, and incorporated herein by reference. Such financial statements are, and audited financial statements to be included in subsequently filed documents will be, incorporated herein in reliance upon the reports of Ernst & Young LLP pertaining to such financial statements and the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of the respective dates (to the extent covered by consents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission) given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

## PART II INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

#### Item 14. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

The following is an estimate of the expenses (all of which are to be paid by the registrant) that we may incur in connection with the securities being registered hereby.

SEC registration fee	\$10,	840
FINRA filing fee	\$	(1)
Nasdaq supplemental listing fee	\$	(1)
Printing expenses	\$	(1)
Legal fees and expenses	\$	(1)
Accounting fees and expenses	\$	(1)
Blue Sky, qualification fees and expenses	\$	(1)
Transfer agent fees and expenses	\$	(1)
Trustee fees and expenses	\$	(1)
Miscellaneous	\$	(1)
Total	\$	(1)

(1) These fees are calculated based on the securities offered and the number of issuances and accordingly cannot be estimated at this time.

#### Item 15. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Under Sections 1741 and 1742 of the Pennsylvania Business Corporation Law of 1988, as amended (the "PBCL"), a business corporation has the power to indemnify any person who was or is a party, or is threatened to be made a party, to any threatened, pending or completed action or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director, officer or representative of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer or representative of another corporation or other enterprise, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action or proceeding, if such person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. In the case of a threatened, pending or completed action or proceeding by or in the right of the corporation, such indemnification only covers expenses and excludes judgments and amounts paid in settlement with respect to such action or proceeding, and no indemnification can be made for expenses if such person has been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless, and only to the extent that, a court determines upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all the circumstances, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnify for the expenses that the court deems proper.

In addition, the PBCL Section 1744 provides that, unless ordered by a court, any indemnification referred to above shall be made by the corporation only as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that indemnification is proper in the circumstances because the indemnitee has met the applicable standard of conduct. Such determination shall be made:

- · by the Board by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to the action or proceeding;
- if such a quorum is not obtainable, or if obtainable and a majority vote of a quorum of disinterested directors so directs, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion; or
- · by the shareholders.

Notwithstanding the above, the PBCL Section 1743 provides that to the extent that a director, officer or representative of a business corporation is successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action or proceeding referred to above, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, such person shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection therewith.

Further, the PBCL Section 1745 provides that expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by an officer, director or representative of a business corporation in defending any such action or proceeding may be paid by the corporation in advance of the final disposition of the action or proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of such officer, director or representative to repay the amount advanced if it is ultimately determined that the indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified by the corporation.

Also, the PBCL Section 1746 provides that the indemnification and advancement of expenses provided by, or granted pursuant to, the foregoing provisions is not exclusive of any other rights to which a person seeking indemnification or advancement of expenses may be entitled under any bylaw, agreement, vote of shareholders or disinterested directors or otherwise, and that indemnification may be granted under any bylaw, agreement, vote of shareholders or directors or otherwise for any action taken or any failure to take any action and may be made whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify the person under any other provision of law and whether or not the indemnified liability arises or arose from any threatened, pending or completed action by or in the right of the corporation; provided, however, that no indemnification may be made in any case where the act or failure to act giving rise to the claim for indemnification is determined by a court to have constituted willful misconduct or recklessness.

Article VIII of the Company Articles and Article VI of the Company Bylaws provides that our directors or officers shall be indemnified as of right to the fullest extent not prohibited by law in connection with any actual or threatened action, suit or proceeding, civil, criminal, administrative, investigative or other (whether brought by or in the right of the corporation or otherwise) arising out of their service to us or to another corporation or other enterprise at our request; provided, however, that the Company shall not indemnify any director or officer in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such director or officer (other than a proceeding to enforce such person's rights to indemnification under the provisions of Article VIII of the Company Articles and Article VI of the Company Bylaws).

The PBCL Section 1747 permits a business corporation to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer or representative of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer or representative of another corporation or other enterprise, against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by him in any such capacity, or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify the person against such liability under the provisions described above.

Article VIII of the Company Articles and Article VI of the Company Bylaws provides that we may purchase and maintain insurance to protect the Company and any director, officer, agent or employee against any liability asserted against such person and incurred by such person in respect of the service of such person, whether or not we would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability by law or under the provisions of Article VIII of the Company Articles and Article VI of the Company Bylaws. Article VI is applicable to persons who have ceased to be directors, officers, agents, and employees and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, and administrators of persons entitled to indemnity.

We maintain directors' and officers' liability insurance covering our directors and officers with respect to liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, which they may incur in connection with their serving as such. Under this insurance, we may receive reimbursement for amounts as to which the directors and officers are indemnified by us under the bylaw indemnification provisions described above. Such insurance also provides certain additional coverage for the directors and officers against certain liabilities even though such liabilities may not be covered by the bylaw indemnification provisions described above.

As permitted by the PBCL Section 1713, the Company Articles and Company Bylaws provide that no director shall be personally liable for monetary damages as such (except to the extent otherwise provided by law) for any action taken, or failure to take any action, unless the director has breached or failed to perform the duties of his or her office under Subchapter B—"Fiduciary Duty" of Chapter 17 of the PBCL (or any successor statute relating to directors' standard of care and justifiable reliance) and such director's breach of duty or failure to perform constituted self-dealing, willful misconduct or recklessness. The PBCL states that this exculpation from liability does not apply to the responsibility or liability of a director pursuant to any criminal statute or the liability of a director for the payment of taxes pursuant to federal, state or local law. It is uncertain whether this provision will control with respect to liabilities imposed upon directors by federal law, including federal securities laws. The PBCL Section 1715(d) creates a presumption, subject to exceptions, that a director acted in the best interests of the corporation. The PBCL Section 1712, in defining the standard of care a director owes to the corporation, provides that a director stands in a fiduciary relation to the corporation and must perform his duties as a director or as a member of any committee of the board of directors in good faith, in a manner he reasonably believes to be in the best interests of the corporation and with such care, including reasonable inquiry, skill and diligence, as a person of ordinary prudence would use under similar circumstances.

As permitted by the PBCL Section 1735, the Company Bylaws provide that no officer shall be personally liable for monetary damages as such (except to the extent otherwise provided by law) for any action taken, or failure to take any action, unless the officer has breached or failed to perform the duties of his or her office under Subchapter C—"Directors and Officers" of Chapter 17 of the PBCL (or any successor statute relating to directors' standard of care and justifiable reliance) and such officer's breach of duty or failure to perform constituted self-dealing, willful misconduct or recklessness. The PBCL states that this exculpation from liability does not apply to the responsibility or liability of an officer pursuant to any criminal statute or the liability of an officer for the payment of taxes pursuant to federal, state or local law. It is uncertain whether this provision will control with respect to liabilities imposed upon directors by federal law. The PBCL Section 1734, in defining the standard of care an officer owes to the corporation, provides that an officer must perform his or her duties as an officer in good faith, in a manner he or she reasonably believes to be in the best interests of the corporation and with such care, including reasonable inquiry, skill and diligence, as a person of ordinary prudence would use under similar circumstances.

Item 16.	Exhibits
Exhibit Number	<b>Description</b>
1.1*	Form of Underwriting Agreement.
3.1	Restated Articles of Incorporation of Matthews International Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended December 31, 2024).
3.2	Amended and Restated By-laws of Matthews International Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2023).
5.1	Opinion of Cozen O'Connor.
23.1	Consent of Cozen O'Connor (included in Exhibit 5.1).
23.2	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, independent registered public accounting firm.
24.1	Powers of Attorney (incorporated by reference to the signature page hereto).
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<sup>\*</sup> To be filed by amendment or incorporated by reference in connection with the offering of the securities.

#### Item 17. 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 Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% 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 the registration statement;

provided, however, that paragraphs (a)(1)(i), (a)(1)(ii), and (a)(1)(iii) 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, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is a part of the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment 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.
- (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.
- (5) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser:
  - (A) Each prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and
  - (B) Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5), or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii), or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by Section 10(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which that prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such

effective date, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.

(6) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities:

The undersigned registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:

- (i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;
- (ii) Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned registrant;
- (iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned registrant; and
- (iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned registrant to the purchaser.
- (b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 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.
- (h) 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 Securities and Exchange 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, as amended, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Pittsburgh, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on March 11, 2025.

#### **Matthews International Corporation**

By: /s/ Joseph C. Bartolacci
Joseph C. Bartolacci
President and Chief Executive Officer

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below hereby appoints Joseph C. Bartolacci, Steven F. Nicola and Brian D. Walters, and each of them, severally, as his or her true and lawful attorney or attorneys-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this registration statement (including all pre-effective and post-effective amendments thereto and registration statements filed pursuant to Rule 462 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended), and to file the same with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or his or her substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
/s/ Joseph C. Bartolacci Joseph C. Bartolacci	President and Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	March 11 2025
/s/ Steven F. Nicola Steven F. Nicola	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	March 11, 2025
/s/ Alvaro Garcia-Tunon Alvaro Garcia-Tunon	Chairman of the Board	March 11, 2025
/s/ Katherine E. Dietze Katherine E. Dietze	Director	March 11, 2025
/s/ Terry L. Dunlap Terry L. Dunlap	Director	March 11, 2025
/s/ Lillian D. Etzkorn Lillian D. Etzkorn	Director	March 11, 2025
/s/ Thomas Gebhardt Thomas Gebhardt	Director	March 11, 2025

SIGNATURE	TIT	ΓLE	DATE
/s/ J. Michael Nauman J. Michael Nauman	Director	1	March 11, 2025
/s/ Morgan K. O'Brien Morgan K. O'Brien	Director	1	March 11, 2025
/s/ Aleta W. Richards Aleta W. Richards	Director	1	March 11, 2025
/s/ David A. Schawk David A. Schawk	Director	1	March 11, 2025
/s/ Francis S. Wlodarczyk Francis S. Wlodarczyk	Director	1	March 11, 2025

Matthews International Corporation Two NorthShore Center Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15212-5851

## Matthews International Corporation Registration Statement on Form S-3

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to Matthews International Corporation, a Pennsylvania corporation (the 'Company''), in connection with the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (the "Registration Statement") being filed by the Company on the date of this opinion letter with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") in connection with the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the 'Securities Act"), of 3,000,000 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share (the "Securities"), to be offered and sold by the Company (the 'Shares"). This opinion letter is being furnished in accordance with the requirements of Item 16 of Form S-3 and Item 601(b)(5)(i) of Regulation S-K promulgated under the Securities Act. Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Registration Statement.

For purposes of this opinion letter, "Applicable Law" means the federal law of the United States and the internal laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

#### **Documents Reviewed**

In connection with this opinion letter, we have examined the following documents:

- (a) the Registration Statement, including the exhibits being filed therewith and incorporated by reference therein from previous filings made by the Company with the SEC; and
- (b) the prospectus contained in the Registration Statement (the "Prospectus").

In addition we have examined and relied upon the following:

- (i) a certificate from the Corporate Secretary of the Company certifying as to (A) true and correct copies of the Restated Articles of Incorporation and Amended and Restated By-laws of the Company (the "Organizational Documents"), (B) the resolutions of the Board of Directors of the Company authorizing (1) the filing of the Registration Statement by the Company, and (2) the issuance of the Securities by the Company, subject to (x) in the case of each issuance of Securities by the Company, a specific further authorization for the issuance, execution, delivery and performance by proper action of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Authorizing Resolutions") with respect to such Securities and (y) the other qualifications set forth therein, and (C) such other matters as we deemed necessary for the purposes of this opinion letter;
- (ii) a certificate dated March 10, 2025 issued by the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, attesting to the corporate status of the Company in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (the "Corporate Status Certificate"); and
- (iii) originals, or copies identified to our satisfaction as being true copies, of such other records, documents and instruments as we have deemed necessary for the purposes of this opinion letter.

#### **Assumptions Underlying Our Opinions**

For all purposes of the opinions expressed herein, we have assumed, without independent investigation, the following:

- (a) <u>Factual Matters</u>. To the extent that we have reviewed and relied upon (i) certificates of the Company or authorized representatives thereof, and (ii) certificates and assurances from public officials, all of such certificates, representations and assurances are accurate with regard to factual matters and all official records (including filings with public authorities) are properly indexed and filed and are accurate and complete.
- (b) <u>Authentic and Conforming Documents</u>. All documents submitted to us as originals are authentic, complete and accurate, and all documents submitted to us as copies conform to authentic original documents.
- (c) <u>Registration</u>. The Registration Statement shall have been declared effective under the Securities Act and such effectiveness shall not have been terminated or rescinded.

#### **Our Opinions**

Based on and subject to the foregoing and the exclusions, qualifications, limitations and other assumptions set forth in this opinion letter, we are of the opinion that:

- 1. <u>Organizational Status</u>. The Company is a validly existing corporation under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and is subsisting under such laws.
  - 2. Power and Authority. The Company has the corporate power and authority to issue the Securities.
- 3. Common Stock. With respect to any Shares to be issued by the Company, when (a) Authorizing Resolutions with respect to such Shares have been adopted, (b) the terms for the issuance and sale of the Shares have been established in conformity with such Authorizing Resolutions, (c) such Shares have been issued and sold as contemplated by the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and the applicable supplement to such Prospectus, (d) the Company has received the consideration provided for in the applicable supplement to the Prospectus and any applicable definitive purchase, underwriting or similar agreement, (e) such consideration per share is not less than the amount specified in the applicable Authorizing Resolutions and (f) certificates in the form required under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania representing the Shares are duly executed, countersigned, registered and delivered, if such Common Stock is certificated, or book-entry notations in the form required under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania have been made in the share register of the Company, if such Common Stock is not represented by certificates, such Common Stock will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

#### **Qualifications and Limitations Applicable to Our Opinions**

The opinions set forth above are subject to the following qualifications and limitations:

- (a) Applicable Law. Our opinions are limited to Applicable Law, and we do not express any opinion concerning any other law.
- (b) <u>Bankruptcy</u>. Our opinions are subject to the effect of any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency (including, without limitation, laws relating to preferences, fraudulent transfers and equitable subordination), reorganization, moratorium and other similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally.

## Miscellaneous

The foregoing opinions are being furnished only for the purpose referred to in the first paragraph of this opinion letter. Our opinions are based on statutes, regulations and administrative and judicial interpretations which are subject to change. We undertake no responsibility to update or supplement these opinions subsequent to the effective date of the Registration Statement.

Headings in this opinion letter are intended for convenience of reference only and shall not affect its interpretation. We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement on or about the date hereof, to the incorporation by reference of this opinion of counsel into the Registration Statement and to the reference to our firm in the Prospectus under the caption "Legal Matters." In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required by Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder.

Very truly yours,

COZEN O'CONNOR

/s/ Cozen O'Connor

#### Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We consent to the reference to our firm under the caption "Experts" in this Registration Statement(Form S-3) and related Prospectus of Matthews International Corporation for the registration of 3,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock and to the incorporation by reference therein of our reports dated November 22, 2024, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Matthews International Corporation and Subsidiaries, and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting of Matthews International Corporation and Subsidiaries, included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended September 30, 2024, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

Pittsburgh, PA March 11, 2025

## **Calculation of Filing Fee Table**

Form S-3 (Form Type)

## Matthews International Corporation (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

## Table 1: Newly Registered Securities and Carry Forward Securities

	Security Type	Security Class Title	Fee Calculation or Carry Forward Rule	Amount Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit	Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Fee Rate	Amount of Registration Fee	Carry Forward Form Type	Carry Forward File Number	Carry Forward Initial effective date	Filing Fee Previously Paid In Connection with Unsold Securities to be Carried Forward
				New	ly Register	ed Securities						
Fees to Be Paid	Equity	Class A Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share <sup>(1)</sup>		3,000,000(2)	\$23.60 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$70,800,000(3)	0.00015310	\$10,839.48	_			_
Fees Previously Paid									_			
	Total Offering Amounts				\$70,800,000(3)	.00015310	\$10,839.48					
	Net Fee Due						\$10,839.48					

- (1) The Class A Common Stock, \$1.00 par value per share (the 'Common Stock'), registered hereunder may be sold by us at various times.
- (2) This registration statement also relates to an indeterminate number of shares of the registrant's Common Stock that may be issued upon stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions in accordance with Rule 416 of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").
- (3) The proposed maximum offering price per share and the proposed maximum aggregate offering price were estimated solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee, based on the average of the high and low prices for the Common Stock as quoted on The Nasdaq Global Select Market on March 5, 2025, in accordance with Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act.