UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

v.

ASCEND CAPVENTURES INC., also doing business as Ascend Ecom LLC; Ascend Ecomm LLC; ACV; ACV Partners; Accelerated Ecommerce Ventures; Ascend Distribution LLC; Ethix Capital; and ACV Nexus, a Wyoming close corporation profit corporation,
ASCEND ECOMMERCE INC., also doing business as Ascend Ecom LLC, a Wyoming close corporation profit corporation,
ASCEND ADMINISTRATION INC., a California general stock corporation,
ASCEND ECOM LLC, a Wyoming limited liability company,
ASCEND DISTRIBUTION LLC, a Texas limited liability company,
WILLIAM MICHAEL BASTA, individually and as officer and/or owner of Ascend Ecom LLC, Ascend Capventures Inc., Ascend Ecommerce

Case No. 2:24-cv-07660-SPG-JPR

ORDER GRANTING STIPULATION TO EXTEND THE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER UNTIL ENTRY OF THE PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION [ECF NO. 79]

Inc., Ascend Administration Inc., Ascend Distribution LLC, and JEREMY KENNETH LEUNG, individually and as officer and/or owner of Ascend Ecom LLC, Ascend Capventures Inc., Ascend Ecommerce Inc., Ascend Administration Inc., and Ascend Distribution LLC,

Defendants.

On November 19, 2024, the parties and Stephen Donell, serving as the appointed temporary receiver, (collectively, the "parties and the receiver") filed a Stipulation to Extend the Temporary Restraining Order ("TRO") Until Entry of the Preliminary Injunction. (ECF No. 79 ("Stipulation")).

The parties and the receiver filed this Stipulation to ensure that the TRO remains in effect while this Court considers the Stipulated Preliminary Injunction filed by Plaintiff and Defendants on October 21, 2024. (ECF No. 62 ("Stipulated Preliminary Injunction")). In the absence of an extension to the TRO, it would expire by its terms on November 20, 2024, *see* (ECF No. 75), effectively dissolving core terms, including the receivership, asset freeze, and conduct prohibitions.

The Court, having considered the parties and the receiver's Stipulation and finding good cause thereof, hereby GRANTS the Stipulation and ORDERS as follows:

The Temporary Restraining Order entered by this Court, (ECF No. 30), is extended until the date of entry of a preliminary injunction or until January 8, 2025, whichever is earliest.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: November 20, 2024

HON. SHERILYN PEACE GARNETT
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE