3. Assignment and Assumption.

Effective as of the Joinder Date:

- 4.2.1 <u>Assignment and Assumption</u>. Assignor hereby irrevocably assigns and transfers to Assignee all of Assignor's rights, title and interests and duties, liabilities and obligations under the Credit Agreement, the other Loan Documents and the Agency Fee Letter and Assignee hereby irrevocably accepts such rights, title and interests and assumes such duties, liabilities and obligations from Assignor on the Joinder Date on the terms contained herein, including, without limitation, (i) any claims, liabilities or obligations arising from any failure of Assignor to perform any of its covenants, agreements, commitments and/or obligations to be performed prior to the date hereof under the Credit Agreement, any other Loan Document or the Agency Fee Letter and (ii) all claims or liabilities of Assignor with respect to the Loans or the Commitments under the Credit Agreement. The Assignee hereby confirms and agrees that the Credit Agreement, the other Loan Documents and the Agency Fee Letter are, and shall continue on and after the Joinder Date to be, in full force and effect in accordance with their respective terms and are ratified and confirmed by the Assignee in all respects.
- 4.2.1 Lenders' Acceptance of Assignment and Assumption by Assignee. The Administrative Agent, for itself and on behalf of the Lenders, hereby consents to the assignment and assumption set forth in clause 3.1 above, and accepts the liability of Assignee as Borrower in place of the liability of Assignor as Borrower arising out of or related to the Credit Agreement, any other Loan Document or the Agency Fee Letter and grants to Assignee the same rights under or arising out of or related to the Credit Agreement, any other Loan Document or the Agency Fee Letter as were granted to Assignor in every way as if Assignee was and had been a party to the Credit Agreement, any other Loan Document or the Agency Fee Letter instead of and in place of Assignor.
- 4. Representations and Warranties. Each of Assignee and Assignor, as to itself only, represents and warrants that:
- 4.2.1 <u>Organization</u>. It is validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and has the corporate power and authority to execute, deliver and perform its obligations under this Agreement.
- 4.2.1 <u>Authorization</u>. The execution and delivery of this Agreement by it and the performance of its obligations hereunder have been authorized by all necessary corporate action on its part.
- 4.2.1 <u>Government Filings</u>. No authorization or approval or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental body or regulatory body on its part is required for the due execution, delivery or performance by it of this Agreement, other than any filings in connection with the Liens granted to the Administrative Agent under the Security Agreement.
- 4.2.1 No Contravention. The execution and delivery of this Agreement by it and the performance of its obligations hereunder do not and will not (A) contravene the terms of any of such party's Organization Documents, (B) conflict with or result in any default, breach or contravention of, or the creation of any Lien under (other than as permitted by Section 7.01 of the Credit Agreement), or require any payment (except for Indebtedness to be repaid on or prior to the Escrow Release Date in connection with the Transactions) to be made under (x) (1) any Junior Financing Documentation or (2) any other Contractual Obligation to which such party is a party or affecting such party or the properties of such party or any of its Subsidiaries or (y) any

order, injunction, writ or decree of any Governmental Authority or any arbitral award to which such party or its property is subject; or (C) violate any Law; except with respect to any conflict, default, breach, contravention, payment or violation referred to in clause (B) or clause (C), to the extent that such conflict, breach, contravention, payment or violation could not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

- 4.2.1 Enforceability. This Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by such party and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of such party enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, fraudulent conveyance, reorganization, moratorium, insolvency or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally or by equitable principles (whether considered in a proceeding in equity or law) relating to enforceability.
- 5. <u>Further Assurances</u>. The parties hereto agree to execute and deliver such other instruments and documents and to take such other actions as any party hereto may reasonably request in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- 6. <u>Notices</u>. All notices and other communications required to be given or made to Assignee under this Agreement, the Credit Agreement, any other Loan Document or the Agency Fee Letter shall be given or made at the address provided in the Credit Agreement.
- 7. General. This Agreement is a Loan Document. This Agreement, the Credit Agreement, the other Loan Documents and the Agency Fee Letter constitute the entire agreement of the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersede all current and prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, with respect to such subject matter. The headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not limit or otherwise affect the meaning hereof. The invalidity or unenforceability of any term or provision hereof shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other term or provision hereof, and any invalid or unenforceable provision shall be modified so as to be enforced to the maximum extent of its validity or enforceability. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, which together shall constitute one instrument, and shall bind and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns, including as such successors and assigns all holders of any Obligations. This Agreement is not intended to and shall not confer any rights or remedies upon any person other than the parties hereto, the Secured Parties and their respective successors and assigns: provided that neither the Assignor nor the Assignee shall have any right to assign any rights, obligations or liabilities hereunder except in accordance with the terms of the Credit Agreement. No person or entity other than the parties hereto, the Secured Parties and their respective successors and assigns will have or be construed to have any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under, in respect of, or by virtue of this Agreement. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective officers thereunto duly authorized, as of the date first written above.

ASSIGNOR	: DUì	NKIN' FINANCE CORP.
	By:	
	•	Name:
		Title:
ASSIGNEE:	DUI	NKIN' BRANDS, INC.
	By:	
		Name:
		Title:
	BAI	RCLAYS BANK PLC, as Administrative Agent
	By:	
		Name:
		Title:

EXHIBIT U to Credit Agreement

FORM OF

FIRST LIEN INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT

dated as of
[], <u>20[</u>]
Among
BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender and L/C Issuer for the Credit Agreement Secured Parties,
[], as the Initial Other Authorized Representative,
as the Initial Other Collateral Agent,
<u>and</u>

each additional Authorized Representative and Collateral Agent from time to time party hereto

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FIRST LIEN INTERCREDITOR AGREEMENT (as amended, restated, modified or supplemented from time to time, this "Agreement") dated as of [], 20[], among BARCLAYS BANK PLC, as administrative agent and collateral agent for the Credit Agreement Secured Parties (as defined below) (in such capacity and together with its successors in such capacity, the "Administrative Agent"), [], as Authorized Representative for the Initial Other First Lien Secured Parties (in such capacity and together with its successors in such capacity, the "Initial Other Authorized Representative"), [], as collateral agent for the Initial Other First Lien Secured Parties (in such capacity and together with its successors in such capacity, the "Initial Other Collateral Agent") and each additional Authorized Representative and Collateral Agent from time to time party hereto for the Other First Lien Secured Parties of the Series with respect to which it is acting in such capacity.

Reference is made to (i) the Credit Agreement dated as of November [23], 2010 (as amended, restated, supplemented, waived or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Credit Agreement"), among DUNKIN' BRANDS, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Borrower"), DUNKIN' BRANDS HOLDINGS, INC., a Delaware corporation ("Holdings"), each Subsidiary of the Borrower party thereto from time to time, the Lenders party thereto from time to time, the Administrative Agent and the other parties named therein and (ii) the Security Agreement dated as of December [3], 2010 (as amended, restated, supplemented, waived or otherwise modified from time to time, the "Security Agreement"), among Holdings, the Borrower, each Subsidiary of Holdings party thereto from time to time and the Administrative Agent.

In consideration of the mutual agreements herein contained and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Administrative Agent (for itself and on behalf of the Credit Agreement Secured Parties), the Initial Other Authorized Representative (for itself and on behalf of the Initial Other First Lien Secured Parties), the Initial Other Collateral Agent and each additional Authorized Representative and Collateral Agent (for itself and on behalf of the Other First Lien Secured Parties of the applicable Series) agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1.01 Construction; Certain Defined Terms.

(a) The definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. The words "include," "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation." The word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall." Unless the context requires otherwise, (i) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument, other document, statute or regulation herein shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument, other document, statute or regulation as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified, (ii) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and assigns, but shall not be deemed to include the subsidiaries of such Person unless

express reference is made to such subsidiaries, (iii) the words "herein," "hereof" and "hereunder," and words of similar import, shall be construed to refer to this Agreement in its entirety and not to any particular provision hereof, (iv) all references herein to Articles, Sections and Annexes shall be construed to refer to Articles, Sections and Annexes of this Agreement, (v) unless otherwise expressly qualified herein, the words "asset" and "property" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties, including cash, securities, accounts and contract rights and (vi) the term "or" is not exclusive.

(b) Without limiting the provisions of Section 2.03, it is the intention of the First Lien Secured Parties of each Series that the holders of First Lien Obligations of such Series (and not the First Lien Secured Parties of any other Series) bear the risk of (i) any determination by a court of competent jurisdiction that (x) any of the First Lien Obligations of such Series are unenforceable under applicable law or are subordinated to any other obligations (other than another Series of First Lien Obligations), (y) any of the First Lien Obligations of such Series do not have an enforceable security interest in any of the Collateral securing any other Series of First Lien Obligations and/or (z) any intervening security interest exists securing any other obligations (other than another Series of First Lien Obligations) on a basis ranking prior to the security interest of such Series of First Lien Obligations but junior to the security interest of any other Series of First Lien Obligations or (ii) the existence of any Collateral for any other Series of First Lien Obligations that is not Shared Collateral (any such condition referred to in the foregoing clauses (i) or (ii) with respect to any Series of First Lien Obligations, an "Impairment" of such Series); provided that the existence of a maximum claim with respect to any real property subject to a mortgage which applies to all First Lien Obligations shall not be deemed to be an Impairment of any Series of First Lien Obligations. In the event of any Impairment with respect to any Series of First Lien Obligations, the results of such Impairment shall be borne solely by the holders of such Series of First Lien Obligations, and the rights of the holders of such Series of First Lien Obligations (including, without limitation, the right to receive distributions in respect of such Series of First Lien Obligations pursuant to Section 2.01) set forth herein shall be modified to the extent necessary so that the effects of such Impairment are borne solely by the holders of the Series of such First Lien Obligations subject to such Impairment. Additionally, in the event the First Lien Obligations of any Series are modified pursuant to applicable law (including, without limitation, pursuant to Section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code), any reference to such First Lien Obligations or the Secured Credit Documents governing such First Lien Obligations shall refer to such obligations or such documents as so modified.

(c) Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Credit Agreement. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified below:

"Additional Senior Class Debt Collateral Agent" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.14.

"Additional Senior Class Debt" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.14.

- "Additional Senior Class Debt Parties" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.14.
- "Additional Senior Class Debt Representative" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.14.
- "Administrative Agent" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.
- "Agreement" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph of this Agreement.
- "Applicable Authorized Representative" means (i) until the earlier of (x) the Discharge of Credit Agreement Obligations and (y) the Non-Controlling Authorized Representative Enforcement Date, the Administrative Agent and (ii) from and after the earlier of (x) the Discharge of Credit Agreement Obligations and (y) the Non-Controlling Authorized Representative Enforcement Date, the Major Non-Controlling Authorized Representative; provided, in each case, that if there shall occur one or more Non-Controlling Authorized Representative Enforcement Dates, the Applicable Authorized Representative shall be the Authorized Representative that is the Major Non-Controlling Authorized Representative in respect of the most recent Non-Controlling Authorized Representative Enforcement Date.
- "Applicable Collateral Agent" means (i) until the earlier of (x) Discharge of Credit Agreement Obligations and (y) the Non-Controlling Authorized Representative Enforcement Date, the Administrative Agent and (ii) from and after the earlier of (x) the Discharge of Credit Agreement Obligations and (y) the Non-Controlling Authorized Representative Enforcement Date, the Collateral Agent for the Series of First Lien Obligations represented by the Major Non-Controlling Authorized Representative; provided, in each case, that if there shall occur one or more Non-Controlling Authorized Representative Enforcement Dates, the Applicable Collateral Agent shall be the Collateral Agent for the Series of First Lien Obligations represented by the Major Non-Controlling Authorized Representative in respect of the most recent Non-Controlling Authorized Representative Enforcement Date.
- "Authorized Representative" means, at any time, (i) in the case of any Credit Agreement Obligations or the Credit Agreement Secured Parties, the Administrative Agent, (ii) in the case of the Initial Other First Lien Obligations or the Initial Other First Lien Secured Parties, the Initial Other Authorized Representative, and (iii) in the case of any other Series of Other First Lien Obligations or Other First Lien Secured Parties that become subject to this Agreement after the date hereof, the Authorized Representative named for such Series in the applicable Joinder Agreement.
 - "Bankruptcy Case" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(b).
 - "Bankruptcy Code" shall mean Title 11 of the United States Code, as amended.
 - "Bankruptcy Law" shall mean the Bankruptcy Code and any similar Federal, state or foreign law for the relief of debtors.

"Collateral" means all assets and properties subject to Liens created pursuant to any First Lien Security Document to secure one or more Series of First Lien Obligations.

- "Collateral Agent" means (i) in the case of any Credit Agreement Obligations, the Administrative Agent, (ii) in the case of the Initial Other First Lien Obligations, the Initial Other Collateral Agent, and (iii) in the case of any other Series of Other First Lien Obligations that become subject to this Agreement after the date hereof, the Collateral Agent named for such Series in the applicable Joinder Agreement.
- "Controlling Secured Parties" means (i) at any time when the Administrative Agent is the Applicable Collateral Agent, the Credit Agreement Secured Parties and (ii) at any other time, the Series of First Lien Secured Parties whose Authorized Representative is the Applicable Authorized Representative.
 - "Credit Agreement" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraph to this Agreement.
- "Credit Agreement Collateral Documents" means the Security Agreement, the other Collateral Documents (as defined in the Credit Agreement) and each other agreement entered into in favor of the Administrative Agent for the purpose of securing any Credit Agreement Obligations.
- "Credit Agreement Obligations" means all amounts owing to any party pursuant to the terms of any Credit Document, including, without limitation, all amounts in respect of any principal, premium, interest (including any interest and fees accruing subsequent to the commencement of a Bankruptcy Case at the rate provided for in the Credit Agreement, whether or not such interest or fees are allowed claims under any such proceeding or under applicable state, federal or foreign law), penalties, fees, expenses, indemnifications, reimbursements, damages and other liabilities, and guarantees of the foregoing amounts and including, without limitation, the "Obligations" as defined in the Security Agreement.
- "Credit Agreement Secured Parties" means the holders of Credit Agreement Obligations, including the "Secured Parties" as defined in the Credit Agreement.
- "Credit Documents" mean the Credit Agreement, each Credit Agreement Collateral Document and the Loan Documents (as defined in the Credit Agreement).
 - "DIP Financing" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(b).
 - "DIP Financing Liens" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(b).
 - "DIP Lenders" shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(b).
- "Discharge" means, with respect to any Series of First Lien Obligations, the date on which such Series of First Lien Obligations is no longer secured by Shared Collateral. The term "Discharged" shall have a corresponding meaning.

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