

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S-4

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

BLACK DIAMOND, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation or organization)

58-1972600
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

2084 East 3900 South
Salt Lake City, UT 84124
(801) 278-5552

(Address, including zip code and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

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Approximate Date of Commencement of Proposed Sale to Public: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

If the securities being registered on this form are being offered in connection with the formation of a holding company and there is compliance with General Instruction G, check the following box:

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated filer Small reporting company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

If applicable, place an X in the box to designate the appropriate rule provision relied upon in conducting this transaction:

Exchange Act Rule 13e-4(i) (Cross-Border Issuer Tender Offer)

Exchange Act Rule 14d-1(d) (Cross-Border Third-Party Tender Offer)

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered	Amount to be Registered(1)	Proposed Maximum Offering Price per Unit(1)(2)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(1)(2)	Amount of Registration Fee(3)
Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share	7,500,000 shares	\$ 6.63	\$ 49,725,000.00	\$ 5,763.13

- (1) Pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), the shares being registered hereunder include such indeterminate number of shares of common stock as may be issuable with respect to the shares being registered hereunder as a result of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.
- (2) Estimated solely for the purpose of determining the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, (the "Securities Act") and based upon the average of the high and low reported sales prices of our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on June 12, 2017.
- (3) Calculated pursuant to Rule 457(o) of the Securities Act.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act or until this Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this preliminary prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This preliminary prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS SUBJECT TO COMPLETION DATED JUNE 15, 2017.



Black Diamond

7,500,000 Shares

This prospectus relates to an aggregate of 7,500,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of Black Diamond, Inc., a Delaware corporation, (“Black Diamond” or the “Company”), which may be issued from time to time by the Company in connection with acquisitions by the Company of assets, businesses, or securities. We expect that the terms of acquisitions involving the issuance of any such shares will be determined by direct negotiations with the owners or controlling persons of the assets, businesses or securities to be acquired, and that the shares of common stock issued will be valued at prices reasonably related to the market price of the common stock either at the time an agreement is entered into concerning the terms of the acquisition or at or about the time the shares are delivered.

We do not expect to receive any cash proceeds when we issue shares of common stock offered by this prospectus.

Our common stock trades on the Nasdaq Global Select Market (“NASDAQ”) under the symbol “BDE.” On June 12, 2017, the last reported sales price of our common stock on NASDAQ was \$6.45 per share.

Investing in our securities involves risks. Please refer to the “Risk Factors” section contained in any applicable prospectus supplement and in the documents we incorporate by reference for a description of the risks you should consider when evaluating this investment.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is

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ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of an “acquisition shelf” registration statement on Form S-4 that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or the Commission, under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act, using an “acquisition shelf” registration process. This prospectus relates to an aggregate of 7,500,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, of Black Diamond, Inc., a Delaware corporation which may be issued from time to time by the Company in connection with acquisitions by the Company of assets, businesses, or securities. We expect that the terms of acquisitions involving the issuance of any such shares will be determined by direct negotiations with the owners or controlling persons of the assets, businesses or securities to be acquired, and that the shares of common stock issued will be valued at prices reasonably related to the market price of the common stock either at the time an agreement is entered into concerning the terms of the acquisition or at or about the time the shares are delivered. A prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment to this registration statement will contain more specific information about an acquisition target or any of the terms of a definitive acquisition agreement. Any statement that we make in this prospectus will be modified or superseded by any inconsistent statement made by us in a prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment. Before deciding to receive any of our securities as part of an acquisition transaction, you should read both this prospectus and any accompanying post-effective amendment together with the additional information described under the headings “Where You Can Find More Information” and “Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference.”

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement or any post-effective amendment and those documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any post-effective amendment. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information different from that contained in this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement or any post-effective amendment. If anyone provides you with different or additional information you should not rely on it. This prospectus may only be used 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 applicable prospectus supplement any post-effective amendment 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, any applicable prospectus supplement or any post-effective amendment, nor any sale made under this prospectus or any post-effective amendment will, under any circumstances, imply that the information in this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement or any post-effective amendment is correct as of any date after the date of this prospectus or any such post-effective amendment.

References in this prospectus to the “Company,” “Black Diamond,” “we,” “our,” and “us,” refer to Black Diamond, Inc.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Certain statements included in this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement, any accompanying post-effective amendment and the documents incorporated by reference herein and therein are “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the federal securities laws. Forward-looking statements are made based on our expectations and beliefs concerning future events impacting the Company and therefore involve a number of risks and uncertainties. We caution that forward-looking statements are not guarantees and that actual results could differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements.

Potential risks and uncertainties that could cause the actual results of operations or financial condition of the Company to differ materially from those expressed or implied by forward-looking statements in this prospectus, an applicable prospectus supplement, any accompanying post-effective amendment and the documents incorporated herein and therein include, but are not limited to, the overall level of consumer spending on our products; general economic conditions and other factors affecting consumer confidence; disruption and volatility in the global capital and credit markets; the financial strength of the Company’s customers; the Company’s ability to implement its reformation and growth strategy, including its ability to organically grow each of its historical product lines; the ability of the Company to identify potential acquisition or investment opportunities as part of its redeployment and diversification strategy; the Company’s ability to successfully redeploy its capital into diversifying assets or that any such redeployment will result in the Company’s future profitability; the Company’s exposure to product liability or product warranty claims and other loss contingencies; stability of the Company’s manufacturing facilities and foreign suppliers; the Company’s ability to protect trademarks, patents and other intellectual property rights; fluctuations in the price, availability and quality of raw materials and contracted products as well as foreign currency fluctuations; our ability to utilize our net operating loss carryforwards; and legal, regulatory, political and economic risks in international markets. More information on potential factors that could affect the Company’s financial results is included from time to time in the Company’s public reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the Company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and Current Reports on Form 8-K. All forward-looking statements included in this prospectus are based upon information available to the Company as of the date of this prospectus, and speak only as the date hereof. We assume no obligation to update any forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this prospectus.

You should also read carefully the factors described or referred to in the “Risk Factors” section of this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement, any accompanying post-effective amendment and the documents incorporated by reference herein and therein, to better understand the risks and uncertainties inherent in our business and underlying any forward-looking statements. Any forward-looking statements that we make in this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement any accompanying post-effective amendment and the documents incorporated by reference herein as well as other written or oral statements by us or our authorized officers on our behalf, speak only as of the date of such statement, and we undertake no obligation to update such statements. Comparisons of results for current and any prior periods are not intended to express any future trends or indications of future performance, unless expressed as such, and should only be viewed as historical data.

PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This document serves as a prospectus of Black Diamond to register 7,500,000 shares of our common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, which we plan to use in acquisition transactions from time to time in connection with the acquisition of assets, stock or businesses, whether by purchase, merger or any other form of business combination. It is expected that the terms of these acquisitions will be determined by direct negotiations with the owners or controlling persons of the assets, businesses or securities to be acquired, and that the shares of common stock issued will be valued at prices reasonably related to the market price of our common stock either at the time an agreement is entered into concerning the terms of the acquisition or at or about the time the shares are delivered. In addition to shares of our common stock, consideration for these acquisitions may consist of any consideration permitted by applicable law, including, without limitation, the payment of cash, the issuance of a note or other form of indebtedness, the assumption of liabilities or any combination of these items.

The common stock we issue pursuant to this prospectus and applicable prospectus supplement or post-effective amendment in these transactions may be reoffered pursuant to this prospectus by the stockholders thereof from time to time in transactions on the NASDAQ (or any other exchange on which our common stock may be listed or traded from time to time), in negotiated transactions, in block trades, through the writing of options on securities, or any combination of these methods of sale, at fixed prices that may be changed, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices relating to the prevailing prices or at negotiated prices. These selling stockholders may sell their shares of common stock to or through broker-dealers, and the broker-dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the selling stockholders or the purchasers of shares for whom the broker-dealer may act as agent or to whom they may sell as principal or both.

In addition, we may issue our common stock pursuant to this prospectus and applicable prospectus supplement amendment or post-effective amendment to acquire the assets, stock or business of debtors in cases under the United States Bankruptcy Code, which may constitute all or a portion of the debtor's assets, stock or business. The common stock we issue in these transactions may be sold by the debtor or its stockholders for cash from time to time in market transactions or it may be transferred by the debtor in satisfaction of claims by creditors under a plan of reorganization approved by the applicable U.S. Bankruptcy Court or otherwise transferred in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code.

We will bear all expenses in connection with the registration of the common stock being resold by selling stockholders, other than selling discounts and commissions and fees and expenses of the selling stockholders. The terms for the issuance of common stock may include provisions for the indemnification of the selling stockholders for specified civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Act. The selling stockholders and any brokers, dealers or agents that participate in the distribution of the common stock may be deemed to be underwriters, and any profit on the sale of stock by them and any discounts, concessions or commissions received by any of these underwriters, brokers, dealers or agents may constitute underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act.

THE COMPANY

We, through our ownership of Black Diamond Equipment, Ltd., are a global leader in designing, manufacturing, and marketing innovative active outdoor engineered performance equipment and apparel for climbing, mountaineering, backpacking, skiing, and a wide range of other year-round outdoor recreation activities. Black Diamond Equipment and PIEPS™, are synonymous with performance, innovation, durability and safety in the outdoor consumer community. We are targeted not only to the demanding requirements of core climbers, skiers and alpinists, but also to the more general outdoor performance enthusiasts and consumers interested in outdoor-inspired gear for their backcountry and urban activities. Our Black Diamond® and PIEPS™ brands are iconic in the active outdoor and ski industries, and linked intrinsically with the modern history of these sports. Headquartered in Salt Lake City at the base of the Wasatch Mountains, our products are designed and exhaustively tested by an engaged team of discerning entrepreneurs and engineers.

We offer a broad range of products including: high performance apparel (such as jackets, shells, pants and bibs); rock-climbing equipment (such as carabiners, protection devices, harnesses, belay devices, helmets, and ice-climbing gear); technical backpacks and high-end day packs; tents; trekking poles; headlamps and lanterns; and gloves and mittens. We also offer advanced skis, ski poles, ski skins, and snow safety products, including avalanche airbag systems, avalanche transceivers, shovels, and probes. We distribute our products through a network comprised primarily of leading independent specialty retailers, specialty chains such as Recreational Equipment, Inc. (“REI”), independent global distributors selling to specialty retail, and direct-to-consumer through our website and wholly-owned retail store. Our products are sold in North America, Europe, Asia, and the rest of the world in over 50 countries, with international sales representing approximately 49% of our sales for the year ended December 31, 2016. Canada is our single largest international country in which we conduct business, representing 8% of our total sales for the year ended December 31, 2016.

Our heritage dates back to 1957 when Chouinard Equipment Ltd. pioneered the market for durable, precise, and reusable pitons — devices used to ascend or protect oneself in the event of a fall in the sport of big wall rock climbing. Over the next thirty years, Chouinard Equipment expanded to design and manufacture all kinds of equipment for rock climbing and mountain, canyon, and crag activities. In 1989 Black Diamond Equipment was founded when our predecessor company acquired the business and assets of Chouinard Equipment. In our 60 year heritage, we have developed a track record of gear innovations that has changed the nature of climbing, mountaineering, and skiing. By extension, our history and brands have become synonymous with the sports in which we participate. The genesis of the current Black Diamond, Inc. was through the May 2010 acquisition of Black Diamond Equipment, Ltd. (which may be referred to as “Black Diamond Equipment” or “BDEL”) and Gregory Mountain Products, Inc. (which may be referred to as “Gregory Mountain Products”, “Gregory” or “GMP”) by Clarus Corporation, a public company. Clarus Corporation, incorporated in Delaware in 1991, was renamed Black Diamond, Inc. in January 2011. In July 2012, we acquired POC Sweden AB and its subsidiaries (collectively, “POC”) and in October 2012, we acquired PIEPS Holding GmbH and its subsidiaries (collectively, “PIEPS”).

On July 23, 2014, the Company and Gregory Mountain Products, its wholly-owned subsidiary, completed the sale of certain assets to Samsonite LLC (“Samsonite”) comprising Gregory’s business of designing, manufacturing, marketing, distributing and selling technical, alpine, backpacking, hiking, mountaineering and active trail products and accessories as well as outdoor-inspired lifestyle bags (the “Gregory Business”) pursuant to the terms of that certain Asset Purchase Agreement (the “GMP Purchase Agreement”), dated as of June 18, 2014, by and among the Company, Gregory and Samsonite. Under the terms of the GMP Purchase Agreement, Samsonite paid \$84,135,000 in cash for Gregory’s assets comprising the Gregory Business and assumed certain specified liabilities (the “GMP Sale”).

On March 16, 2015, the Company announced that it was exploring a full range of strategic alternatives, including a sale of the entire Company and the potential sales of the Company’s Black Diamond Equipment (including PIEPS) and POC brands in two separate transactions.

On October 7, 2015, the Company and the Company’s wholly owned subsidiary, Ember Scandinavia AB (“Ember”), sold their respective equity interests in POC comprising POC’s business of designing, manufacturing, marketing, distributing and selling advanced-design helmets, body armor, goggles, eyewear, gloves, and apparel for action or “gravity sports,” such as skiing, snowboarding, and cycling pursuant to a Purchase Agreement (the “POC Purchase Agreement”), dated as of October 7, 2015, by and among the Company and Ember, as sellers, and Dainese S.p.A. and Dainese U.S.A., Inc. (collectively “Dainese”), as purchasers. Under the terms of the POC Purchase Agreement, Dainese paid \$63,639,000 in cash for POC (the “POC Disposition”).

On October 8, 2015, the Company announced the completion of the POC Disposition resulting in the conclusion of the Company's review of strategic alternatives.

On November 9, 2015, the Company announced that it was seeking to redeploy its significant cash balances to invest in high-quality, durable, cash flow-producing assets potentially unrelated to the outdoor industry in order to diversify the Company's business and potentially monetize the Company's substantial net operating losses as part of its asset redeployment and diversification strategy. We intend to focus our search primarily in the United States, although we will also evaluate international investment opportunities should we find such opportunities attractive.

We are incorporated in Delaware, the address of our executive corporate headquarters is located at 2084 East 3900 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84124, and our telephone number is (801) 278-5552.

RISK FACTORS

Investing in our securities involves risk. Please carefully consider the risk factors described in our periodic and current reports filed with the Commission, which are incorporated by reference in this prospectus, as well as any risks that may be set forth in the prospectus supplement relating to a specific security. Before making an investment decision, you should carefully consider these risks as well as other information we include or incorporate by reference in this prospectus or include in any applicable prospectus supplement. These risks could materially affect our business, results of operations or financial condition and cause the value of our securities to decline. You could lose all or part of your investment. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we deem currently immaterial may also impair our business operations.

USE OF PROCEEDS

We will receive no proceeds from the offering of the shares other than the value of the assets, businesses, or securities acquired by us in acquisitions for which shares are offered under this prospectus.

DESCRIPTION OF COMMON STOCK

The following description of our common stock does not purport to be complete and is subject in all respects to applicable Delaware law and qualified by reference to the provisions of our Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended (the "Certificate of Incorporation"), Amended and Restated Bylaws, as amended (the "Bylaws"), and Rights Agreement. Copies of our Certificate of Incorporation, Bylaws, and Rights Agreement are incorporated by reference and will be sent to stockholders upon request. See "Where Can You Find More Information."

Authorized Common Stock

We have authorized 100,000,000 shares of our common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share. As of June 15, 2017 there were 30,012,765 shares of our common stock outstanding.

Voting Rights, Dividend Rights, Liquidation Rights and Other Rights

Holders of common stock are entitled to one vote for each share held on all matters submitted to a vote of stockholders and do not have cumulative voting rights. Accordingly, as the Company has not implemented a staggered board of directors or granted stockholders cumulative voting rights, holders of a majority of the shares of common stock that are entitled to vote in any election of directors will have the ability to elect all of the directors standing for election. Holders of common stock are entitled to receive ratably such dividends, if any, as may be declared by the board of directors of the Company (the "Board") out of funds legally available therefor, subject to any preferential dividend rights of outstanding preferred stock of the Company. Upon the liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, the holders of common stock are entitled to receive ratably the net assets of the Company available after the payment of all debts and other liabilities and subject to the prior rights of any outstanding preferred stock of the Company. Holders of common stock have no preemptive, subscription, redemption or conversion rights. The rights, preferences and privileges of holders of common stock are subject to, and may be adversely affected by, the rights of the holders of shares of any series of preferred stock which the Company may designate and issue in the future.

Acquisition Restrictions

To help ensure the preservation of its net operating loss carryforwards (“NOLs”), the Company’s Certificate of Incorporation generally restricts any person from attempting to purchase or acquire (any such purchase or acquisition being an “Acquisition”), any direct or indirect interest in Black Diamond’s capital stock (or options, warrants or other rights to acquire Black Diamond’s capital stock, or securities convertible or exchangeable into Black Diamond’s capital stock), if such Acquisition would affect the percentage of Black Diamond’s capital stock owned by a 5% stockholder (the “Acquisition Restrictions” and any person attempting such an Acquisition, being referred to as a “Restricted Holder”). For purposes of determining the existence and identity of, and the amount of capital stock owned by, any 5% stockholder or Restricted Holders, Black Diamond is entitled to rely conclusively on (a) the existence and absence of filings of Schedules 13D and 13G (or any similar schedules) as of any date and (b) its actual knowledge of the ownership of its capital stock. The Company’s Certificate of Incorporation further provides that a Restricted Holder will be required, prior to the date of any proposed Acquisition, to request in writing (a “Request”) that the Board review the proposed Acquisition and authorize or not authorize such proposed Acquisition. If a Restricted Holder seeks to effect an Acquisition, then at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board (which are generally held once during each calendar quarter) following the tenth business day after receipt by the Secretary of the Company of a Request, the Board will be required to determine whether to authorize the proposed Acquisition described in the Request. Any determination made by the Board as to whether to authorize a proposed Acquisition will be made in the sole discretion and judgment of the Board. The Board shall promptly inform a Restricted Holder making the Request of such determination. Additionally, any Restricted Holder who makes such a Request shall reimburse Black Diamond, on demand, for all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by Black Diamond with respect to any proposed Acquisition, which may be material in relation to the Acquisition and will include the fees and expenses of any attorneys, accountants or other advisors retained by Black Diamond in connection with such determination.

The Company’s Certificate of Incorporation provides that any person who knowingly violates the Acquisition Restrictions or any persons in the same control group with such person shall be jointly and severally liable to Black Diamond for, and shall indemnify and hold Black Diamond harmless against, any and all damages suffered as a result of such violation, including but not limited to damages resulting from a reduction in or elimination of the ability of Black Diamond to use its NOLs.

All certificates representing newly-issued shares of the Company’s capital stock or shares voted in favor of the Acquisition Restrictions and subsequently submitted for transfer, must bear the following legend:

“The Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended (the “Certificate of Incorporation”) of the Corporation contains restrictions prohibiting the purchase or acquisition (collectively, the “Acquisition”) of any capital stock without the authorization of the Board of Directors of the Corporation (the “Board of Directors”), if such Acquisition affects the percentage of capital stock that is treated as owned by a five percent shareholder (within the meaning of Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder), and such Acquisition would, in the sole discretion and judgment of the Board of Directors, jeopardize the Corporation’s preservation of its U.S. federal income tax attributes pursuant to Section 382 of the Code and is not otherwise in the best interests of the Corporation and its stockholders. The Corporation will furnish without charge to the holder of record of this certificate a copy of the Certificate of Incorporation, containing the above-referenced restrictions on acquisitions of stock, upon written request to the Corporation at its principal place of business.”

The Board has the discretion to approve an Acquisition of stock that would otherwise violate the Acquisition Restrictions in circumstances where it determines that such Acquisition is in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. In determining whether or not to permit an Acquisition which may result in violation of the Acquisition Restrictions, the Board may consider factors it deems relevant including the likelihood that the Acquisition would result in an ownership change to occur that would limit the Company’s use of its NOLs. In addition, the Board is authorized to eliminate the Acquisition Restrictions, modify the applicable allowable percentage ownership interest or modify any of the terms and conditions of the Acquisition Restrictions provided that the Board concludes in writing that such change is reasonably necessary or advisable to preserve the Company’s NOLs or that the continuation of the affected terms and conditions of the Acquisition Restrictions is no longer reasonably necessary for such purpose.

The Acquisition Restrictions may have anti-takeover effects because they will restrict the ability of a person or entity or group thereof from accumulating an aggregate of 5% or more of the Company's capital stock and the ability of persons, entities or groups now owning 5% or more of the Company's capital stock from acquiring additional stock. Although the Acquisition Restrictions are designed as a protective measure to preserve and protect the Company's NOLs, the Acquisition Restrictions may have the effect of impeding or discouraging a merger, tender offer or proxy contest, even if such a transaction may be favorable to the interests of some or all of the Company's stockholders. This might prevent stockholders from realizing an opportunity to sell all or a portion of their shares of common stock at higher than market prices. In addition, the Acquisition Restrictions may delay the assumption of control by a holder of a large block of capital stock and the removal of incumbent directors and management, even if such removal may be beneficial to some or all of the Company's stockholders.

The foregoing description of the Acquisition Restrictions does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Company's Certificate of Incorporation, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Preferred Share Purchase Rights

On February 12, 2008, Black Diamond entered into a Rights Agreement (the "Rights Agreement") with American Stock Transfer & Trust Company that provides for the terms of a rights plan including a dividend distribution of one preferred share purchase right (a "Right") for each outstanding share of common stock. The dividend is payable to Black Diamond's stockholders of record as of the close of business on February 12, 2008 (the "Record Date").

The Board adopted the Rights Agreement to protect the Company's ability to carry forward its NOLs, which the Company believes are a substantial asset. The Rights Agreement is designed to assist in limiting the number of 5% or more owners and thus reduce the risk of a possible "change of ownership" under Section 382 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). Any such "change of ownership" under these rules would limit or eliminate the ability of the Company to use its existing NOLs for federal income tax purposes. However, there is no guarantee that the objective of preserving the value of the NOLs will be achieved. There is a possibility that certain stock transactions may be completed by stockholders or prospective stockholders that could trigger a "change of ownership," and there are other limitations on the use of NOLs set forth in the Code.

The Rights Agreement imposes a significant penalty upon any person or group that acquires 4.9% or more (but less than 50%) of Black Diamond's then-outstanding common stock without the prior approval of the Board. Stockholders who own 4.9% or more of Black Diamond's then-outstanding common stock as of the close of business on the Record Date, will not trigger the Rights Agreement so long as they do not increase their ownership of common stock. Moreover, the Board may exempt any person or group that owns 4.9% or more. A person or group that acquires a percentage of common stock in excess of the applicable threshold but less than 50% of Black Diamond's then-outstanding common stock is called an "Acquiring Person." Any Rights held by an Acquiring Person are void and may not be exercised.

The Board authorized the issuance of one Right per each share of common stock outstanding on the Record Date. If the Rights become exercisable, each Right would allow its holder to purchase from Black Diamond one one-hundredth of a share of Black Diamond's Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock, par value \$0.0001 (the "Series A Preferred Stock"), for a purchase price of \$12.00. Each fractional share of Series A Preferred Stock would give the stockholder approximately the same dividend, voting and liquidation rights as one share of common stock. Prior to exercise, however, a Right will not give its holder any dividend, voting or liquidation rights.

The Rights will not be exercisable until 10 days after a public announcement by Black Diamond that a person or group has become an Acquiring Person. Until the date that the Rights become exercisable (the "Distribution Date"), Black Diamond's common stock certificates will evidence the Rights and will contain a notation to that effect. Any transfer of shares of common stock prior to the Distribution Date will constitute a transfer of the associated Rights. After the Distribution Date, the Rights will be separated from the common stock and be evidenced by a rights certificate, which Black Diamond will mail to all holders of the rights that are not void.

If a person or group becomes an Acquiring Person after the Distribution Date or already is an Acquiring Person and acquires more shares after the Distribution Date, all holders of Rights, except the Acquiring Person, may exercise their rights to purchase shares of Black Diamond's common stock with a market value of two times the purchase price (or other securities or assets as determined by the Board) upon payment of the purchase price (a "Flip-In Event"). After the Distribution Date, if a Flip-In Event has already occurred and Black Diamond is acquired in a merger or similar transaction, all holders of the Rights except the Acquiring Person may exercise their Rights upon payment of the purchase price to purchase shares of the acquiring corporation with a market value of two times the purchase price of the Rights (a "Flip-Over Event"). Rights may be exercised to purchase shares of Black Diamond's Series A Preferred Stock only after the occurrence of the Distribution Date and prior to the occurrence of a Flip-In Event as described above. A Distribution Date resulting from any occurrence described above would necessarily follow the occurrence of a Flip-In Event, in which case the Rights could be exercised to purchase shares of common stock or other securities as described above.

The Rights will expire at such time the Board determines that the NOLs are fully utilized or no longer available under Section 382 of the Code or the Rights are earlier redeemed or exchanged by the Company as described below. The Board may redeem all (but not less than all) of the Rights for a redemption price of \$0.0001 per Right at any time prior to the later of the Distribution Date and the date of the first public announcement or disclosure by Black Diamond that a person or group has become an Acquiring Person. Once the Rights are redeemed, the right to exercise the Rights will terminate, and the only right of the holders of the Rights will be to receive the redemption price. The redemption price will be adjusted if Black Diamond declares a stock split or issues a stock dividend on its common stock. After the later of the Distribution Date and the date of the first public announcement by Black Diamond that a person or group has become an Acquiring Person, but before an Acquiring Person owns 50% or more of Black Diamond's outstanding common stock, the Board may exchange each Right (other than the Rights that have become void) for one share of common stock or an equivalent security.

The Board may adjust the purchase price of the Series A Preferred Stock, the number of shares of the Series A Preferred Stock issuable and the number of outstanding Rights to prevent dilution that may occur as a result of certain events, including a stock dividend, a stock split or a reclassification of the Series A Preferred Stock or common stock. No adjustments to the purchase price of less than 1% will be made.

Before the time the Rights cease to be redeemable, the Board may amend or supplement the Rights Agreement without the consent of the holders of the Rights, except that no amendment may decrease the redemption price below \$0.0001 per right. At any time thereafter, the Board may amend or supplement the Rights Agreement only to cure an ambiguity, to alter time period provisions, to correct inconsistent provisions or to make any additional changes to the Rights Agreement, but only to the extent that those changes do not impair or adversely affect any Rights holder and do not result in the Rights becoming redeemable.

The foregoing description of the Rights does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Rights Agreement, which is incorporated herein by reference.

ANTI-TAKEOVER EFFECTS OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF DELAWARE LAW AND OUR CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION AND BYLAWS

Certain provisions of the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws could have an anti-takeover effect. These provisions are intended to enhance the likelihood of continuity and stability in the composition of the Board and in the policies formulated by the Board and to discourage an unsolicited takeover of us if the Board determines that such takeover is not in the best interests of us and our stockholders. However, these provisions could have the effect of discouraging certain attempts to acquire us or remove incumbent management even if some or a majority of stockholders deemed such an attempt to be in their best interests.

The provisions in the Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws include: (a) a procedure which requires stockholders to nominate directors in advance of a meeting to elect such directors; (b) the authority to issue additional shares of preferred stock without stockholder approval; (c) the number of directors on our Board will be fixed exclusively by the Board; (d) any newly created directorship or any vacancy in our Board resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors or the death, disability, resignation, retirement, disqualification, removal from office or other cause will be filled solely by the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office, even if less than a quorum; and (e) our Bylaws may be amended by our Board.

The Delaware General Corporation Law (the “DGCL”) contains statutory “anti-takeover” provisions, including Section 203 of the DGCL which applies automatically to a Delaware corporation unless that corporation elects to opt-out as provided in Section 203. We, as a Delaware corporation, have not elected to opt-out of Section 203 of the DGCL. Under Section 203 of the DGCL, a stockholder acquiring more than 15% of the outstanding voting shares of a corporation (an “Interested Stockholder”) but less than 85% of such shares may not engage in certain business combinations with the corporation for a period of three years subsequent to the date on which the stockholder became an Interested Stockholder unless prior to such date, the board of directors of the corporation approves either the business combination or the transaction which resulted in the stockholder becoming an Interested Stockholder, or the business combination is approved by the board of directors and by the affirmative vote of at least 66^{2/3}% of the outstanding voting stock that is not owned by the Interested Stockholder.

Limitation of Liability and Indemnification of Officers and Directors

Pursuant to provisions of the DGCL, we have adopted provisions in our Certificate of Incorporation that provide that our directors shall not be personally liable for monetary damages to us or our stockholders for a breach of fiduciary duty as a director to the full extent that the DGCL permits the limitation or elimination of the liability of directors.

We have in effect a directors and officers liability insurance policy indemnifying our directors and officers and the directors and officers of our subsidiaries within a specific limit for certain liabilities incurred by them, including liabilities under the Securities Act. We pay the entire premium of this policy. Our Certificate of Incorporation also contains a provision for the indemnification by us of all of our directors and officers, to the fullest extent permitted by the DGCL.

Exclusive Forum

Our Bylaws provide that, unless we consent in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be the sole and exclusive forum for (a) any derivative action or proceeding brought on behalf of the Company, (b) any action asserting a claim of breach of a fiduciary duty owed by any director, officer, other employee or stockholder of the Company to the Company or the Company’s stockholders, (c) any action asserting a claim arising pursuant to any provision of the DGCL or as to which the DGCL confers jurisdiction on the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware, or (d) any action asserting a claim governed by the internal affairs doctrine. Any person or entity purchasing or otherwise acquiring any interest in shares of our stock shall be deemed to have notice of and consented to the foregoing forum selection provisions.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

This prospectus is a part of an “acquisition shelf” registration statement on Form S-4 that we have filed with the SEC. Under the shelf registration process, we may from time to time offer and sell up to 7,500,000 shares of our common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, in connection with the acquisition of assets, stock or businesses, whether by purchase, merger or any other form of business combination. We are actively looking for high-quality, durable, cash flow-producing assets potentially unrelated to the outdoor industry in order to diversify the Company’s business and potentially monetize the Company’s substantial net operating losses as part of its asset redeployment and diversification strategy. We intend to focus our search primarily in the United States, although we will also evaluate international investment opportunities should we find such opportunities attractive.

It is expected that the terms of these acquisitions will be determined by direct negotiations with the owners or controlling persons of the assets, businesses or securities to be acquired, and that the shares of common stock issued will be valued at prices reasonably related to the market price of our common stock at the time an agreement is entered into concerning the terms of the acquisition, at or about the time the shares are delivered or during some other negotiated period. Factors taken into account in acquisitions may include, among other factors, the quality and reputation of the business to be acquired and its management, the strategic market position of the business to be acquired and its proprietary assets, earning power, cash flow and growth potential. In addition to shares of our common stock, consideration for these acquisitions may consist of any consideration permitted by applicable law, including, without limitation, the payment of cash, the issuance of preferred stock, the issuance of a note or other form of indebtedness, the assumption of liabilities or any combination of these items. All expenses of this registration, other than the expenses of the selling stockholders, if any, will be paid by us. We do not expect to pay underwriting discounts or commissions, although we may pay finders’ fees from time to time in connection with certain acquisitions. Any person receiving finders’ fees may be deemed to be an “underwriter” within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any profit on the resale of securities purchased by them may be considered underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act.

In addition, we may issue our common stock pursuant to this prospectus and applicable prospectus supplement, or post-effective amendment, to acquire the assets, stock or business of debtors in cases under the United States Bankruptcy Code, which may constitute all or a portion of the debtor's assets, stock or business. The common stock we issue in these transactions may be sold by the debtor or its stockholders for cash from time to time in market transactions or it may be transferred by the debtor in satisfaction of claims by creditors under a plan of reorganization approved by the applicable United States Bankruptcy Court or otherwise transferred in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code.

In an effort to maintain an orderly market in our securities or for other reasons, we may negotiate agreements with persons receiving common stock covered by this prospectus that will limit the number of shares that they may sell at specified intervals. These agreements may be more or less restrictive than restrictions on sales made under exemptions from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, including the requirements under Rule 144 or Rule 145(d), and the persons party to these agreements may not otherwise be subject to the Securities Act requirements. We anticipate that, in general, negotiated agreements will be of limited duration and will permit the recipients of securities issued in connection with acquisitions to sell up to a specified number of shares during a specified period of time. We may also determine to waive any such agreements without public notice.

This prospectus may be supplemented to furnish the information necessary for a particular negotiated transaction, and the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part will be amended or supplemented, as required, to supply information concerning an acquisition.

We may permit individuals or entities who will receive shares of our common stock in connection with the acquisitions described above, or their transferees or successors-in-interest, to use this prospectus to cover the resale of such shares. See "Selling Stockholders," as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, for a list of those individuals or entities that are authorized to use this prospectus to sell their shares of our common stock.

SELLING STOCKHOLDERS

We have also prepared this prospectus, as we may amend or supplement it if appropriate, for use by the persons, and their pledgees, donees, transferees or other successors in interest, who receive shares of our common stock in acquisitions covered by this prospectus. We refer to these persons as selling stockholders. Pursuant to the terms of any agreement we may enter into in connection with an acquisition by the Company of assets, businesses, or securities; under certain circumstances selling stockholders may not be permitted to use this prospectus to reoffer any shares without first obtaining our prior written consent. We may condition our consent on the agreement by the selling stockholders that they not offer or sell more than a specified number of shares and that they only do so following the filing of any required supplements or amendments to this prospectus or such other conditions which we may determine.

The selling stockholder will act independently of us in making decisions with respect to the timing, manner and size of each sale. Selling stockholders may resell shares on the NASDAQ (or any other exchange on which our common stock may be listed or traded from time to time), in negotiated transactions, in block trades, through the writing of options on securities, or any combination of these methods of sale, at fixed prices that may be changed, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices relating to the prevailing prices or at negotiated prices. These selling stockholders may sell their shares of common stock to or through broker-dealers, and the broker-dealers may receive compensation in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the selling stockholders or the purchasers of shares for whom the broker-dealer may act as agent or to whom they may sell as principal or both. We will not receive any proceeds from sales by selling stockholders.

The selling stockholders and any underwriter or broker-dealer retained by the selling stockholder may be deemed to be underwriters within the meaning the Securities Act. Any profits that the selling stockholders realize and the compensation they pay to any broker-dealer may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions.

When resales are to be made through a broker or dealer, a member firm of FINRA may be engaged to act as the selling stockholders' agent in the sale of shares by such selling stockholders. We anticipate that the commission paid to the member firm will be the normal commission (including negotiated commissions to the extent permissible). Sales of shares by the member firm may be made on the NASDAQ (or any other exchange on which our common stock may be listed or traded from time to time), in negotiated transactions, in block trades, through the writing of options on securities, or any combination of these methods of sale, at fixed prices that may be changed, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices relating to the prevailing prices or at negotiated prices.

In an effort to maintain an orderly market in our securities or for other reasons, we may negotiate agreements with persons receiving common stock covered by this prospectus that will limit the number of shares that they may sell at specified intervals. These agreements may be more or less restrictive than restrictions on sales made under exemptions from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, including the requirements under Rule 144 or Rule 145(d), and the persons party to these agreements may not otherwise be subject to the Securities Act requirements. We anticipate that, in general, negotiated agreements will be of limited duration and will permit the recipients of securities issued in connection with acquisitions to sell up to a specified number of shares during a specified period of time. We may also determine to waive any such agreements without public notice.

A post-effective amendment, if required, will be filed under Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act, disclosing the name of any selling stockholders, the participating securities firm, if any, the number and kind of securities involved and other details of such resale to the extent appropriate.

In order to comply with the securities laws of certain states, if applicable, shares covered by this prospectus may be sold in such jurisdictions only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers. In addition, in certain states, the shares covered by this prospectus may not be sold unless the shares have been registered or qualified for sale in the applicable state or an exemption from the registration or qualification requirement is available and is complied with.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We are subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and in accordance therewith we are required to file periodic reports, proxy statements and other information with the Commission. Such reports, proxy statements and other information filed by us can be inspected and copied at the Commission's Public Reference Room located at 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549, at the prescribed rates. The Commission also maintains a site on the World Wide Web that contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding registrants that file electronically. The address of such site is <http://www.sec.gov>. Please call 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the Commission's Public Reference Room.

Our common stock is traded on NASDAQ under the symbol "BDE." Certain materials filed by us may be inspected at the NASDAQ Stock Market, One Liberty Plaza, 165 Broadway, New York, NY 10006.

This prospectus omits certain information that is contained in the registration statement on file with the Commission, of which this prospectus is a part. For further information with respect to us and our securities, reference is made to the registration statement, including the exhibits incorporated therein by reference or filed therewith. Statements herein concerning the provisions of any document are not necessarily complete and, in each instance, reference is made to the copy of such document filed as an exhibit or incorporated by reference to the registration statement. Each such statement is qualified in its entirety by such reference. The registration statement and the exhibits may be inspected without charge at the offices of the Commission or copies thereof obtained at prescribed rates from the public reference section of the Commission at the addresses set forth above.

INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE

The Commission allows us to "incorporate by reference" the information we file with it, which means that we can disclose important business, financial and other information to you in this prospectus by referring you to the publicly filed documents containing this information. The information incorporated by reference is deemed to be a part of this prospectus, except for any information superseded by information contained in this prospectus or filed later by us with the Commission. This prospectus incorporates by reference the documents set forth below that we have previously filed with the Commission, other than any portion of any such filing that is furnished under the applicable Commission rules, which documents contain important information about us and our common stock:

- our annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016, filed with the Commission on March 6, 2017;
- our definitive proxy statement filed with the Commission on April 28, 2017;

- our quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2017, filed with the Commission on May 8, 2017;
- our current report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on June 6, 2017;
- the description of our common stock contained in our registration statement on Form 8-A/A filed on June 9, 2010, including any amendments or reports filed for the purpose of updating that description; and
- our registration statement on Form S-3 registering up to \$200,000,000 of securities of the Company, filed with the Commission on June 15, 2017.

All of such documents are on file with the Commission. In addition, all documents filed by us pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act, subsequent to the date of this prospectus are incorporated by reference in this prospectus, other than any portion of any such filing that is furnished under the applicable commission rules, and are a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this prospectus to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any subsequently filed document that is also incorporated by reference herein modifies or replaces such statement. Any statements so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus.

Any information incorporated by reference herein is available to you without charge upon written or oral request. If you would like a copy of any of this information, please submit your request to us at Black Diamond, Inc., 2084 East 3900 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84124, Attention: Secretary, or call (801) 278-5552.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of Black Diamond, Inc. as of December 31, 2016 and 2015 and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2016, and management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016 have been incorporated by reference herein, in reliance on the reports of KPMG LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, incorporated by reference herein, and upon the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

LEGAL MATTERS

The validity of the securities offered hereby will be passed upon for us by Kane Kessler, P.C., New York, New York. Any underwriters will be advised of the other issues relating to any offering by their own legal counsel.

PART II

INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 20. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

Under Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law (“DGCL”), a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or other enterprise, against expenses, costs or fees (including attorneys’ fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with such action, suit or proceeding (a) if such person acted in good faith and in a manner that such person reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation and (b) with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, if such person had no reasonable cause to believe such conduct was unlawful. To the extent that such person has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defending any such action, suit or proceeding referred to above or any claim, issue or matter therein, he or she is entitled to indemnification for expenses (including attorneys’ fees) actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection therewith. In the case of an action or suit by or in the right of the corporation, no indemnification may be made in respect to any claim, issue or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable to the corporation unless and only to the extent that the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware, or the court in which such action or suit was brought, shall determine that, despite the adjudication of liability, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which the court shall deem proper. Section 145 provides that, to the extent a director, officer, employee or agent of a corporation has been successful in the defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to above or in the 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.

The Registrant’s Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended (the “Certificate of Incorporation”), provides that the Registrant shall indemnify to the full extent permitted by law any person made or threatened to be made a party to an action or proceeding, whether criminal, civil, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that he, his testator or intestate is or was a director, officer or employee of the Registrant or any predecessor of the Registrant or serves or served any other enterprise as a director, officer or employee at the request of the Registrant or any predecessor of the Registrant.

The Registrant's Amended and Restated By-Laws, as amended (the "By-Laws"), provide that the Registrant shall, to the maximum extent and in the manner permitted by the DGCL indemnify any person against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding in which such person was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party by reason of the fact that such person is or was a director or officer of the Registrant. For purposes of such provisions, the By-Laws defines a "director" or "officer" of the Registrant as, in addition to any director or officer of the Registrant, any person who is or was serving at the request of the Registrant as a director or officer of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise or who was a director or officer of a corporation which was a predecessor corporation of the Registrant or of another enterprise at the request of such predecessor corporation. The Registrant's By-Laws provide that the Registrant shall be required to indemnify a director or officer in connection with an action, suit or proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such director or officer only if the initiation of such action, suit or proceeding (or part thereof) by the director or officer was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Registrant. The Registrant is required to pay the expenses (including attorneys' fees) incurred by a director or officer of the Registrant entitled to such indemnification in defending any such action, suit or proceeding; provided, however, that payment of expenses incurred by a director or officer of the Registrant in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding shall be made only upon receipt of an undertaking by the director or officer to repay all amounts advanced if it shall ultimately be determined that the director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified. Any repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of the Registrant's By-Laws shall not adversely affect any right or protection hereunder of any person in respect of any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification.

The By-Laws provide that if such an indemnification claim provided for under the By-Laws is not paid in full by the Registrant within sixty (60) days after a written claim has been received by the Registrant, except in the case of a claim for an advancement of expenses, in which case the applicable period shall be twenty (20) days, the person claiming indemnification may at any time thereafter bring suit against the Registrant to recover the unpaid amount of the claim. If successful in whole or in part in any such suit or in a suit brought by the Registrant to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the indemnitee shall be entitled to be paid also the expense of prosecuting or defending such suit. In any suit brought by a person claiming indemnification to enforce a right to indemnification hereunder (but not in a suit brought by any such person to enforce a right to an advancement of expenses), it shall be a defense that such person has not met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the DGCL. In any suit by the Registrant to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the Registrant shall be entitled to recover such expenses upon a final adjudication that such person has not met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the DGCL. Neither the failure of the Registrant (including its Board of Directors, independent legal counsel or its stockholders) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of any such suit that indemnification is proper in the circumstances because the person claiming indemnification has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in the DGCL, nor an actual determination by the Registrant (including its Board of Directors, independent legal counsel or its stockholders) that the indemnitee has not met such applicable standard of conduct, shall create a presumption that the indemnitee has not met the applicable standard of conduct or, in the case of such a suit brought by a person claiming indemnification, be a defense to such suit. In any suit brought by a person claiming indemnification to enforce a right hereunder, or by the Registrant to recover an advancement of expenses pursuant to the terms of an undertaking, the burden of proving that such person is not entitled to be indemnified or to such advancement of expenses shall be on the Registrant.

The By-Laws provide that the rights to indemnification and to the advancement of expenses conferred thereunder are not exclusive of any other right which any person may have or acquire under any statute, the Certificate of Incorporation, the By-Laws, by agreement, by vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise.

The Registrant's directors and officers are insured (subject to certain exceptions and deductions) against liabilities which they may incur in their capacity as such including liabilities under the Securities Act, under liability insurance policies carried by the Registrant.

Item 21. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

The following exhibits are included herein or incorporated by reference:

<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Description</u>
5.1	Opinion of Kane Kessler, P.C. (1)
23.1	Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm. (1)
23.4	Consent of Kane Kessler, P.C. (Included in Exhibit 5.1). (1)
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on the signature pages of the Registration Statement hereto). (1)

(1) Filed herewith.

Item 22. Undertakings

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

- (a) to file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
- (1) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
 - (2) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and
 - (3) 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.
- (b) 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.
- (c) 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.
- (d) that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of Black Diamond's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of any 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.
- (e) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that prior to any public reoffering of the securities registered hereunder through use of a prospectus which is a part of this registration statement, by any person or party who is deemed to be an underwriter within the meaning of Rule 145(c), the issuer undertakes that such reoffering prospectus will contain the information called for by the applicable registration form with respect to reofferings by persons who may be deemed underwriters, in addition to the information called for by the other items of the applicable form.

- (f) that every prospectus: (i) that is filed pursuant to paragraph (1) immediately preceding, or (ii) that purports to meet the requirements of Section 10(a)(3) of the Act and is used in connection with an offering of securities subject to Rule 415, will be filed as part of an amendment to the registration statement and will not be used until such amendment is effective, and that, for purposes 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.
- (g) to respond to requests for information that is incorporated by reference into this prospectus pursuant to Item 4, 10(b), 11 or 13 of this Form, within one business day of receipt of such request, and to send the incorporated documents by first class mail or other equally prompt means. This includes information contained in documents filed subsequent to the effective date of the registration statement through the date of responding to the request.
- (h) that each prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) as part of a registration statement relating to an offering, other than registration statements relying on Rule 430B or other than prospectuses filed in reliance on

Rule 430A, shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the date it is first used after effectiveness. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the 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 first use, 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 date of first use.

- (i) to supply by means of a post-effective amendment all information concerning a transaction, and the company being acquired involved therein, that was not the subject of and included in the registration statement when it became effective.

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, the undersigned registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-4 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Salt Lake, State of Utah, on June 15, 2017.

BLACK DIAMOND, INC.

By: /s/ Aaron J. Kuehne
Name: Aaron J. Kuehne
Title: Chief Financial Officer and Chief Administrative Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each of the undersigned officers and directors of Black Diamond, Inc. hereby severally constitutes and appoints Warren B. Kanders and Aaron J. Kuehne as the attorney-in-fact for the undersigned, in any and all capacities, with full power of substitution, to sign any and all pre- or post-effective amendments to this registration statement, any subsequent registration statement for the same offering which may be filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and any and all pre- or post-effective amendments thereto, and to file the same with exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact 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 by the following persons in the capacities indicated on June 15, 2017:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
<u>/s/ Warren B. Kanders</u> Warren B. Kanders	Executive Chairman and Director (Principal Executive Officer)
<u>/s/ Aaron J. Kuehne</u> Aaron J. Kuehne	Chief Financial Officer and Chief Administrative Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)
<u>/s/ Donald L. House</u> Donald L. House	Director
<u>/s/ Nicholas Sokolow</u> Nicholas Sokolow	Director
<u>/s/ Michael A. Henning</u> Michael A. Henning	Director

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Description</u>
5.1	Opinion of Kane Kessler, P.C. (1)
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23.4	Consent of Kane Kessler, P.C. (Included in Exhibit 5.1). (1)
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on the signature pages of the Registration Statement hereto). (1)

(1) Filed herewith.

[Letterhead of Kane Kessler, P.C.]

June 15, 2017

Black Diamond, Inc.
2084 East 3900 South
Salt Lake City, UT 84124

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to Black Diamond, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the filing by the Company of a Registration Statement on Form S-4 (the "Registration Statement") with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") registering under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), 7,500,000 shares (the "Shares") of the Company's common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share (the "Common Stock"), that may be issued in connection with acquisitions by the Company of assets, business, or securities by purchase, merger or any other form of business combination (an "Acquisition").

In connection with the Registration Statement, we have examined, considered and relied upon copies of the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation and Amended and Restated Bylaws, each as amended to date, of the Company, the Registration Statement, records of certain of the Company's corporate proceedings as reflected in the Company's minute books, and other records and documents that we have deemed necessary for purposes of this opinion. We have also examined such other documents, papers, authorities and statutes as we have deemed necessary to form the basis of the opinion hereinafter set forth.

In our examination, we have assumed the legal capacity of all natural persons, the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as certified or photostatic copies, and the authenticity of the originals of such documents. As to certain facts material to this opinion, we have relied upon oral or written statements and representations of officers and other representatives of the Company and public officials, and such other documents and information as we have deemed necessary or appropriate to enable us to render the opinions expressed below. We have not undertaken any independent investigation to determine the accuracy of any such facts.

Subject to the foregoing, it is our opinion that upon adoption by the Board of Directors of the Company of a resolution in form and content as required by applicable law authorizing the issuance of the Shares (assuming that such Shares, together with all shares of Company's Common Stock previously issued or reserved for issuance and not duly and lawfully retired, do not exceed an aggregate of 100,000,000 shares) and upon issuance and delivery of and payment of legal consideration in excess of the par value thereof for such Shares in the manner contemplated by the Registration Statement, the prospectus contained therein, the related prospectus supplement(s) and by such resolution, such Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

We hereby consent to the use of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the reference to us under the heading "Legal Matters" in the prospectus which forms a part thereof. In giving this consent, we do not admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

We are qualified to practice law in the State of New York and do not purport to be experts on any law other than the laws of the State of New York, the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware and the Federal law of the United States. We are not admitted or qualified to practice in the State of Delaware; however, we are generally familiar with the Delaware General Corporation Law as currently in effect and have made such inquiries as we deem necessary to render the opinions contemplated herein.

The opinion is being furnished in accordance with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Act. This opinion letter is limited to the specific legal matters expressly set forth herein and is limited to present statutes, regulations and administrative and judicial interpretations. We assume no obligation to revise or supplement this opinion in the event of future changes in such laws or regulations.

Very truly yours,

KANE KESSLER, P.C.

By: /s/ Jeffrey S. Tullman, President

Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors
Black Diamond, Inc.:

We consent to the use of our reports dated March 6, 2017, with respect to the consolidated balance sheets of Black Diamond, Inc. as of December 31, 2016 and December 31, 2015, and the related consolidated statements of comprehensive (loss) income, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the years in the three year period ended December 31, 2016, and the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2016 incorporated by reference herein and to the reference to our firm under the heading "Experts" in the prospectus.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Salt Lake City, Utah
June 14, 2017
