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John - tried to send text in interest of time. Think we're both in flight. Been back and forth with Dees on T. Seems there is some time pressure to announce our role.

I'm inclined to take on the role with Elon. Helpful to have Wachtell, Munger and Silver Lake alongside us. Also helpful that it will be clear we're being brought in now to help, and that we weren't part of earlier steps.

There is some commercial risk we end up offsides, but I think it is manageable in these circumstances. This is the real role and it is the one on offer. Will put us at center of putting deal together. If Elon somehow is out of the picture, I don't think there is a deal. Even so, I don't think we necessarily put ourselves offsides with the company for subsequent capital raising or strategic alternatives.

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