UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF CONNECTICUT BRIDGEPORT DIVISION

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In re:	:	CHAPTER 11
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Erika Ciganik	:	CASE NO.: 14-50675
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Debtor	:	
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DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

I. Introduction

On May 5, 2014, (the "Petition Date"), Erika Ciganik, Debtor and Debtor-in-Possession (the "Debtor"), filed a voluntary petition seeking relief under Chapter 11 of Title 11, of the United States Bankruptcy Code, §§101 et. seq. (the "Code"), in the United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Connecticut, at Bridgeport. In accordance with §§1107 and 1108 of the Code, the Debtor was authorized to continue in possession of her property as Debtor-in-Possession.

The Debtor has filed a Plan of Reorganization (the "Plan") to treat the claims of her creditors.

The Debtor provides this Disclosure Statement (the "Disclosure Statement") to all of her known creditors and other parties-in-interest in order to disclose that information deemed necessary by the Debtor to be material, important and necessary for all creditors to arrive at a reasonably informed decision in exercising their right to vote for the acceptance of the Plan.

A hearing to fix the time for filing acceptances or rejections of the Plan and confirmation will be set by the Court, and notice thereof will be distributed to all parties. Creditors may vote on the Plan by completing and mailing the accompanying ballot to the Bankruptcy Court. As a

creditor, your vote is important. In order for the Plan to be deemed accepted, creditors that hold at least two-thirds (2/3) in amount and more than one-half (1/2) in number of the allowed claims of that Class that have voted, must vote affirmatively on the Plan.

The purpose of this Disclosure Statement is to provide adequate information to permit an informed judgment on how to vote on the Plan. The Disclosure Statement contains important information about the Plan and considerations pertinent to its acceptance or rejection, as well as information about the Debtor and his operations.

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WITHOUT ANY INACCURACIES. ESTIMATES OF LIQUIDATION VALUES OF PROPERTY ARE BASED ON EITHER INDEPENDENT APPRAISALS AND/OR THE DEBTOR'S PAST BUSINESS EXPERIENCE AND PRESENT KNOWLEDGE OF MARKET CONDITIONS AND ARE SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS AND VARIATIONS BEYOND THE CONTROL OF THE DEBTOR.

II. History of the Debtor and Chapter 11 Proceedings

A. Debtor's History and Business:

The Debtor is an individual residing in Wilton, Connecticut. She is married to Dusan Ciganik. She is the owner of Erika Sabo, LLC, a construction based general contracting business. The Debtor commenced the instant bankruptcy case to try to save her residence and real property in New York, both of which were the subject of sale or foreclosure proceedings by secured creditors.

B. Chapter 11 Case:

1. <u>Chapter 11 Proceedings</u>. Subsequent to the commencement of the Chapter 11 case, the Debtor retained the law firm of Zeisler & Zeisler, P.C. as her general counsel and tended to such other administrative matters such as conducting their business and financial affairs, the filing of their Statement of Financial Affairs and Schedule of Assets and Liabilities and continued attendance at their meetings of creditors.

The majority of the Debtor's efforts in the legal arena during the Chapter 11 case have been directed to the preparation of a plan of reorganization and negotiations with specific creditors.

IV. Assets of the Debtor and Estate

The principal assets of the Debtor are set forth in the attached Section VI and as set forth herein.

The Debtor has claims under an insurance policy with the Sentinel Insurance Co., Ltd. (which may be a wholly owned subsidiary of The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc.) that insured a dwelling owned by Ms. Ciganik at 285 Patria Road, West Fulton, New York 12194. The dwelling was destroyed by fire on or about September 21, 2014. The fire also destroyed all of the furnishings, appliances, electronics and other personal property within the dwelling and on one or more outdoor spaces connected to the dwelling. Most of the belongings and furnishings which are the subject of the insurance claim were owned by Dusan Ciganik (the Debtor's husband). Mr. Ciganik has agreed to assign his interest in his claims against Sentinel Insurance Co., Ltd. ("Sentinel") as inter alia, he is unable to pay the attorney fees to pursue the claim, in order to satisfy the IRS Claims with any balance of the proceeds of his claims (being assigned) first being used to reimburse the Debtor for any attorneys fees and expenses, any payments to the IRS above the Debtor's 50% contribution and to pay the IRS Secured Claim. The debtor has retained a public adjuster, and will be commencing a lawsuit to pursue the insurance claims against Sentinel.

V. Funding of Plan

A. The Plan is to be implemented in a manner consistent with Code §1123. The Debtor believes her financial situation makes the Plan feasible. The Debtor intends to primarily use her income, the sale of real estate in New York and litigation proceeds from her insurance claim relating to her New York property as necessary to make the payments under the Plan.

B. The Debtor also anticipates that a loan modification on her Residence will further the reorganization effort. There is no equity in the Residence as the first mortgage asserts a secured claim no less than \$1.25 million and the IRS asserts liens of no less than \$269,000. However, because the Debtor's husband was the original borrower, a condition of the refinancing is that he be an owner of the Residence. The Debtor intends to convey via quit claim deed is much of her interest in the Residence to Dusan which is necessary to satisfy the requirements of the mortgagee for the loan modification within sixty (60) days of the Effective Date as presently the Debtor has addressed all other requests for the modification.

VI. Liquidation Analysis

The Debtor believes that she has taken into account the nature, status and underlying value of the assets of the estate in this analysis. Although the Debtor does not believe there will be any distribution to holders of general unsecured claims in liquidation, the Debtor intends to pay the unsecured creditors holding allowed non priority claims approximately 100% of their allowed unsecured claims based on presently filed unsecured non-priority claims and non-priority claims scheduled as undisputed, unliquidated and non contingent.

		alue	Net Liquidation Value projected after liens, costs of sale and exemptions	
Residence located at 74 Cheese Spring Road, Wilton, CT (based on Wells Fargo's appraisal dated March 28, 2016 No equity. Mortgage and liens exceed (the "Residence").	\$	625,000.00	\$	0.00
Adjoining parcels located on Patria Road, Fulton, NY totaling 296.91 (based on L. B. Berdan and Co., Inc's appraisal dated April 23, 2016)	\$	236,400.00	\$	0.00

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Checking Accounts (approximately as of Juy 31, 2016)		7,660.00	\$	0.00
One half interest Misc. household goods and furnishings				
(Debtor's interest has been exempted)	\$	8,000.00	\$	0.00
Wearing apparel (exempted)	\$	1,500.00	\$	0.00
Wedding and Engagement Ring (exempted)	\$	3,000.00	\$	0.00
Two hand guns (exempted)	\$	850.00	\$	0.00
Term Life Insurance (no cash value)	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
Erika Sabo,LLC (personal services business)	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
One half interest 2008 Mercedes GL (as of 08/31/16)	\$	8,265.00 \$	0.00	
Insurance claims for personal property and real property in NY related to fire in September, 2014	\$	0.00 in liquio in litigation	•	

In liquidation, the Debtor believes general unsecured creditors would receive no distribution from the estate taking into consideration the costs and risks of liquidation and after payment and of administrative, priority and secured claims. First, most of the Debtor's assets have been exempted, have no equity or value or were purchased or accumulated from assets that are not property of the estate, and therefore are not property of the estate. The Debtor has a one half interest in the 2008 Mercedes GL that has little or no value in liquidation. The Residence has no equity after deducting the first mortgage debt and the IRS liens. Similarly, when the IRS liens are deducted from the value of the real estate owned by the Debtor located in Fulton, New York (the "NY Lots"), there is no equity.

The Debtor owns her construction based general contracting business, Erika Sabo, LLC. As the business is based on her personal services, it has no realizable value without the Debtor.

There was approximately \$7,660.00 in the Debtor's checking account from the Debtor's wages as of the end of July, 2016. If the case were converted, the Debtor believes the proceeds from her wages are not property of the estate and she would be able to retain them. The Debtor does have claims against Sentinel, but in liquidation will likely have no value because it would be unlikely they would be pursued on a contingency basis and the value is speculative at this time. The Debtor believes that these insurance related claims may have gross value of approximately \$300,000 in a best case scenario of which Dusan's personal property claims total approximately \$100,000.00. The Sentinel presently has made no offer. The Debtor's public adjuster will likely assert a commission against any recovery, even in liquidation and litigation fees will be costly and reduces any recovery. However, the Debtor intends to use any recoveries on her claims to pay her creditors, first to the IRS and then to priority claims, and then to unsecured creditors. Thus after payment of a hypothetical Chapter 7 Trustee's commission, attorneys' fees and accountant's fees, it is estimated there would ultimately not be sufficient funds to pay unsecured creditors. A chapter 7 trustee would then have to pay any unpaid Chapter 11 administrative fees (including the Debtor's counsel) wand then the balance would be used to pay toward tax priority claims, which total more than \$6,727.02. The Debtor proposes to pay her unsecured creditors 100% of their allowed claims by paying each of them their pro rata share of the sum of \$1,885.00 payable over (four) 4 years for a total of \$30,160.00. Unsecured claims total approximately \$30, 157.84.

VII. Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

Except as set forth in the Plan, all executory contracts and unexpired leases of the Debtor as of the Confirmation Date which are not expressly rejected prior to the Confirmation Date, and for which no motions are pending for their rejection on the Confirmation Date, shall be and are thereby rejected by the Debtor.

CREDITORS ARE ADVISED TO REVIEW THE PLAN IN ITS ENTIRETY FOR DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED TREATMENT OF THE VARIOUS CLASSES IN THE PLAN. CREDITORS, ADMINISTRATIVE CLAIMANTS AND OTHER PARTIES IN INTEREST ARE FURTHER URGED TO CONSULT WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE LEGAL AND TAX COUNSEL, ACCOUNTANTS AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS CONCERNING THE PLAN AND ITS SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL AND TAX RAMIFICATIONS, SINCE THE PLAN REPRESENTS A LEGAL BINDING OBLIGATION AS TO THE DEBTOR AND ALL OTHER AFFECTED PARTIES AND PROPERTIES WITH CERTAIN TAX RAMIFICATIONS NOT DESCRIBED HEREIN AND CANNOT BE PROPERLY EVALUATED WITHOUT THOROUGH REVIEW AND COMPREHENSION.

VIII. <u>Designation And Treatment Of Classes Of Claims</u> <u>And Priority Claims</u>

A. <u>Administrative Claims</u>:

If not paid in the ordinary course of the Debtor's business prior to the confirmation of the Debtor's Plan, Administrative Claims will be paid in full, in cash, on (i) the Effective Date; (ii) the date such indebtedness or obligation becomes due or; (iii) the date on which such administrative expenses are allowed by the Bankruptcy Court with regard to professional fees; or (iv) the

Distribution Date; or (v) on such other terms to which the parties otherwise agree and as are not prohibited by the Bankruptcy Code.

Pre-confirmation payments to the Debtor's counsel shall be made only after Court approval. Amounts are approximate and estimated. They may increase or decrease significantly dependent on litigation and additional professionals may be retained, and other administrative claims will also be subject to court approval. Professional fees accrued after the Confirmation Date will be paid in the ordinary course without further court approval. Trade payable and postpetition tax claims will be paid in the ordinary course without notice. There will be administrative claims for professional fees for counsel, Zeisler & Zeisler, P.C.

B. Payment of Administrative Claims.

All Administrative Claims other than claims of professionals, unless objected, which have not been paid prior to the Distribution Date shall be paid in full in Cash on the Distribution Date (or, if later, ten (10) days after the date on which any such Administrative Claim is allowed by a Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court), or upon such terms as otherwise agreed between the Debtor and the holder of such Administrative Claim.

C. <u>Priority Claims</u>

Internal Revenue Service contends it is owed a priority claim in the approximate amount of \$5,682.33, State of Connecticut Department of Revenue Service contends it is owed a priority claim in the approximate amount of \$269.67, New York State Department of Taxation contends it is owed a priority claim in the approximate amount of \$775.02. The Debtor will pay the priority obligations of the State of Connecticut in one (1) monthly installment, the State of New York in four (4) monthly installments and the IRS in eighteen (18) monthly installments with interest at the

statutory rate until this allowed priority claim is paid in full, commencing on the Distribution Date.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Debtor may prepay the allowed claim of this creditor at any time without penalty and without further interest.

Except to the extent that a holder of an allowed Priority Tax Claim other than the IRS agrees to a less favorable treatment, each holder of an Allowed Priority Tax Claim other than the IRS, DRS or NYS shall receive, at the sole option of the Debtor or the Reorganized Debtor, commencing on the Distribution Date and continuing over a period not exceeding five (5) years from the Distribution Date, equal semi-annual Cash payments in an aggregate amount equal to such allowed Priority Tax Claim other than the IRS, together with interest at the applicable rate, subject to the sole option of the Debtor or Reorganized Debtor to prepay the entire amount of the Allowed Priority Tax Claim without penalty. The Debtor is not aware of any Priority Tax Claims besides the IRS, DRS and NYS.

D. <u>Classification of Claims</u>

The following table summarizes the Classifications established under the Plan, indicating the approximate amount of claims of that class, if the status of that Class is impaired or unimpaired by the Plan and the treatment of the claims of that Class. The Reorganized Debtor reserves the right to pay off any creditor prior to the term set forth in the Plan without penalty.

Class 1: Secured Claim of Wilmington Trust Company, as Successor Trustee c/o Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

- 1. Approximate Amount: \$1,253,823.27
- 2. Impaired.
- 3. Treatment: The Debtor is attempting to modify the rights of this creditor pursuant to a modification and she intends to continue to make the regular monthly payment obligations in accordance with the tenor of the modification agreed to by the

parties. If the modification does not go forward the Debtor agrees to consent to a foreclosure. This creditor shall retain its lien (first mortgage) on the Debtor's Residence until its claim has been satisfied. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Reorganized Debtor shall be and is hereby authorized to prepay the allowed secured claim of this creditor without any penalty.

4. Collateral: First mortgage on residence located at 74 Cheese Spring Road, Wilton Connecticut (the "Residence")

Class 2: Secured Claim of Internal Revenue Service

- 1. Approximate Amount: \$269,068.04 as of July, 2015
- 2. Impaired
- 3. Treatment: The IRS has a lien on the NY Lots. The NY Lots consists of three parcels that total approximately 296.91 acres and were appraised at \$236, 400 in the aggregate in April, 2016. The IRS originally filed a proof of claim in the amount of \$476,380.53. On or about June 5, 2015 the Debtor paid the IRS the sum of \$206,437.58 from the proceeds of the initial recovery under her insurance policy with the Sentinel from her real estate claim related to the fire at the New York property in 2014. The IRS amended its proof of claim on or about April 21, 2015 asserting a secured claim of \$269,068.04. The Debtor's non real estate assets have negligible value in liquidation. The IRS has a lien on the Residence but that lien has no value as the amount of the first mortgage exceeds the value of the Residence. The IRS is therefore not entitled to post petition pre-confirmation interest. The Debtor will pay the secured claim of \$269,068.04 (the "IRS Claim") as follows: on a monthly basis commencing 60 days after the Effective Date; the Reorganized Debtor will pay the IRS the sum of \$2,200 per month until the Secured Claim is paid in full. Interest will accrue on the IRS Secured Claim at the statutory rate commencing on the Effective Date. The Debtor will also use net proceeds from the litigation recovery with Sentinel to pay down the IRS debt. Until the IRS Claim is paid, the Debtor will market one or more NY Lots and use the net proceeds (after first paying closing costs, attorney fees, brokers commissions and conveyance taxes) to the IRS to be applied to the IRS Claim. If the IRS Claim has not been paid within five (5) years of the Effective Date, the Debtor will auction the remaining NY Lots with the net proceeds to be used to satisfy the IRS Claim after first paying attorney fees, auctioneer costs and expenses, conveyance taxes and other closing costs. This creditor shall retain its lien on the NY Lots until the IRS Claim has been satisfied. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Reorganized Debtor shall be and is hereby authorized to prepay the allowed secured claim of this

creditor without any penalty.

4. Collateral: 3 Lots located on Patria Road, Fulton, NY ("NY Lots"), and Residence.

Class 3: All Allowed Non-Priority Unsecured Claims

- 1. Allowed unsecured claims based on claims review are estimated at approximately \$30,157.84.
- 2. Impaired.
- Treatment: The Debtor may dispute some claims. The Reorganized Debtor reserves the right to review and if she deems appropriate, to object, contest or otherwise challenge any claim. The deadline to file such objection or challenge is ten days before the Confirmation Date. On a quarterly basis commencing on the six month anniversary of the Distribution Date, the Reorganized Debtor will pay each creditor holding an allowed unsecured non-priority claim, its pro rata share of One thousand eight hundred eighty five dollars (\$1,885.00) per quarter without interest for four (4) years for a total of \$31,160.00. There will be sixteen installments unless paid sooner. The Reorganized Debtor reserves the right to prepay any of these payments to each and/or all of these creditors in this class under the Plan without penalty and in the event of a prepayment by more than five months when such payment is otherwise due, the Reorganized Debtor may discount each such prepayment at a rate of six percent (6%) per annum.

E. Cramdown:

1. <u>Confirmation Without Acceptance By All Impaired Classes</u>

The Plan may be confirmed even if not accepted by all impaired classes if at least one (1) impaired class of claims, i.e., Classes 1, 2 or 3 have accepted it and the Plan meets the following standards:

a. Non-Acceptance By an Impaired Class of Secured Claims

The Debtor believes the Classes of secured claims, Class 1 and 2 are impaired. As an impaired class of secured claims, if Class 1 or 2 rejects the Plan, the Plan could still be confirmed

if it does not discriminate unfairly as to the dissenting Class and is "fair and equitable" to such class. Under §1129(b), a Plan is "fair and equitable" to a class of non-accepting secured claims if, among other things, the Plan provides (i) that the lien securing the claims of members of the Class be left in place to the extent of the allowed amount of the claim and the holders of the claims receive deferred cash payments under the Plan with a present value equal to the lesser of the amount of such claims or the value of the claimholders interest in the collateral securing such claims; (ii) that the collateral securing the claims be sold free of the lien attaching to the proceeds and with such lien on the proceeds being treated under one of the two other standards described in this paragraph; or (iii) that holders receive the "indubitable equivalent" of their claims.

The Debtor contends that the treatment of the Class of secured claims impaired under the Plan meets the "fair and equitable" test and that the Plan can therefore be confirmed if all other requirements for confirmation are met, even if rejected by Class 1 and 2. Obligations to the member of each Class will be secured by the collateral.

b. Generally, no junior creditor would receive any distribution until all senior creditors are paid in full, with interest, and no equity holder receives any distribution unless creditors are paid under the absolute priority rule or the Class of claims accepts a Plan. A plan can be confirmed non-consensually (via "cram down"), if it does not discriminate unfairly and is fair and equitable with respect to each impaired dissenting class under the plan.

F. US Trustee Fees:

In accordance with §1129(a)(12) of the Bankruptcy Code and 28 U.S.C. §1930, all quarterly fees payable to the United States Trustee shall be paid by the Debtor in full on or before

their respective due dates and shall continue to be assessed and paid until such time as a final decree is entered by the Court or the Court enters an order converting or dismissing this case. The Debtor also intends to file monthly operating reports until such time as a final decree is entered by the Court or the Court enters an order converting or dismissing this case.

G. Definitions in Plan

- 1. "Administrative Claim" means an Allowed Claim, the holder of which asserts and is determined by final order to be entitled to priority pursuant to §§ 503(b) and 507(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 2. "Allowed Claim" means a claim (a) in respect of which a proof of claim has been filed with the Court within the applicable period of limitation fixed by Rule 3001 or (b) scheduled in the list of creditors prepared and filed with the Court pursuant to Rule 1007(b) and not listed as disputed, contingent, or unliquidated as to amount, in either case as to which no objection to the allowance thereof has been interposed within any applicable period of limitation fixed by Rule 3001 or an order of the Court, or as to which any such objection has been determined by an order or a judgment which is no longer subject to appeal or certiorari proceeding and as to which no appeal or certiorari proceeding is pending.
- 3. "Bankruptcy Court" means the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Connecticut, Bridgeport Division, or such other Court as may hereafter have jurisdiction of an act with respect to this case.
- 4. "Cash" means currency of the United States of America, or checks issued by the reorganized Debtor payable in such currency.

- 5: "Claim" means a claim against the Debtor, whether or not asserted, as defined in § 101(5) of the Code.
- 6. "Class" means claims or equity interests which are substantially similar to the other claims or equity interests in such class as classified pursuant to the Plan.
- 7. "Code" means the United States Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq., and all amendments thereto which are applicable to the case.
- 8. "Confirmation Date" means the date on which the Bankruptcy Court enters the Confirmation Order.
- 9. "Debtor" means Erika Ciganik, individually, residing at 74 Cheese Spring Road, Wilton, CT.
- 10. "Distribution Date" means the date on which the initial distributions under the Plan are made, which date shall be the later of (a) thirty (30) days after the Effective Date, or (b) thirty (30) days after the entry of a final, non-appealable order providing for the allowance of claims if an objection to a claim is pending on the Effective Date.
- 11. "Effective Date" means fourteen days after the order confirming the Plan becomes final and non-appealable.
- 12. "Petition Date" means May 5, 2014, the date the instant petition for relief under Title 11 was commenced.
- 13. "Plan" means this Plan of Reorganization as it may be amended or modified, together with all addenda, exhibits, schedules, or other attachments, if any.

- 14. "Reorganization" means the case for the reorganization of the Debtor commenced by the voluntary petition filed on May 5, 2014 now pending in this Court styled In re: Erika Ciganik; Case No. 14-50675.
 - 15. "Reorganized Debtor" shall also mean the Debtor after the Effective Date.
- 16. "Residence" shall mean the Debtor's interest in the real property located at 74 Cheese Spring Road, Wilton, CT.
- 17. "Claims Objections Deadline" the DEADLINE to file objections to claims shall be ten (10) days prior to the Confirmation Date.
- 18. "NY Lots" shall mean the Debtor's interest in the three (3) parcels that total 296.91 acres located at Patria Road, West Fulton, NY.

IX. Preferential And Fraudulent Transfer Analysis

A. <u>Preferences</u>

A preference is a transfer made by the Debtor to or for the benefit of a creditor on behalf of an antecedent debt made within ninety (90) days of the filing or within one (1) year of the filing if such transfer was made to an insider, made when the Debtor was insolvent and enabling such creditor to receive more than the creditor would receive in liquidation.

The Debtor does not believe that he has any claim for preferential and fraudulent transfers.

X. Creditors' Committee

No creditors committee has been formed.

XI. Post-Confirmation Management

It is contemplated that the Debtor will continue to manage his affairs post-petition.

XII. Risk Factors

Certain substantial risk factors are inherent in most Plans of Reorganization under Chapter 11 cases. If such plans are accepted, it is usually because they represent a greater hope than a liquidating Chapter 7 case. In this case the principle risk of the Debtor is that the Debtor's income will not meet expectations or related parties will not provide financial assistance if necessary.

NEVERTHELESS, ALL RISK FACTORS INHERENT IN A PLAN OF
REORGANIZATION IN CHAPTER 11 ARE PRESENT IN THIS CASE. CREDITORS ARE
URGED TO REVIEW THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND ANNEXED FINANCIAL
INFORMATION TOGETHER WITH THE ACCOMPANYING PLAN OF REORGANIZATION
IN FULL SO THAT AN INFORMED JUDGMENT CAN BE EXERCISED WITH RESPECT TO
VOTING ON THE PLAN.

XIII. Voting Procedure and Requirements

A. <u>Ballots and Voting Deadlines</u>

A ballot to be used for voting to accept or reject the Plan, together with a postage-prepaid return envelope, will be enclosed with all copies of this Disclosure Statement which, if approved, will be mailed to all Creditors entitled to vote.

The Bankruptcy Court will then direct that, in order to be counted for voting purposes, a ballot for the acceptance or rejection of the Plan must be executed and delivered by the holder on an allowed claim before the deadline established by the Court. Your vote must be received by the Debtor no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, on or before a particular date, at the following address:

Zeisler & Zeisler, P.C. 10 Middle Street, 15th floor P.O. Box 1220 Bridgeport, CT 06604 Attn: Matthew K. Beatman, Esq.

TO BE COUNTED, YOUR BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5:00 P.M., EASTERN TIME, ON THE DATE SET BY THE COURT.

B. <u>Creditors Entitled to Vote</u>

Classes of Claims that are not "impaired" under a plan are deemed to have accepted the plan and a debtor need not solicit the votes of holders of claims in such classes. Any creditor whose Claim is impaired under the Plan is entitled to vote if either (i) its Claim is scheduled by the Debtor (and such Claim is not scheduled as disputed, contingent or unliquidated on the Debtor's Schedules or any amended schedules) and/or (ii) it has filed a proof of claim on or before the date set or to be set by the Court, which proof of claim currently is not the subject of a timely filed objection which has not been withdrawn on or before any date fixed for filing such objection by the Plan or an order of the Bankruptcy Court, and which has not been denied by a Final Order. Any holder of a Disputed or Contingent Claim is not entitled to vote unless, upon application of such Creditor, the Bankruptcy Court temporarily allows the claim in an amount which it deems proper for purposes of accepting or rejecting the Plan. A creditor's vote may be disregarded if the Bankruptcy Court determines that the creditor's acceptance or rejection was not solicited or procured in good faith or in accordance with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE PROCEDURES FOR VOTING ON THE PLAN, PLEASE CONTACT THE DEBTOR'S COUNSEL:

Matthew K. Beatman, Esq. Zeisler & Zeisler, P.C. 10 Middle Street, 15th floor P.O. Box 1220 Bridgeport, CT 06604 Tel: (203) 368-4234

C. <u>Definition of Impairment</u>

Under §1124 of the Bankruptcy Code, a class of claims or interests is impaired under a plan of reorganization unless, with respect to each claim or interest in such class, such plan pays each claim or interest in full, in cash, or otherwise leaves unaltered the legal, equitable and contractual rights of the holder of such claim or interest, other than by curing defaults and reinstating maturities.

D. <u>Classes Impaired Under The Plan</u>

Classes 1, 2 and 3 are impaired under the Plan and Creditors holding such Claims in this class are entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

E. Vote Required For Class Acceptance

The Bankruptcy Code defines acceptance of a plan of reorganization by a class of creditors as acceptance by holders of at least two-thirds in dollar amount and more than fifty percent in number of the claims of that class, but for that purpose counts only those that actually cast ballots for acceptance or rejection of the Plan. Holders of claims that fail to vote are not counted as either accepting or rejecting the Plan.

XIV. Confirmation Of The Plan

Under the Bankruptcy Code, the following steps must be taken to confirm the Plan:

A. <u>Confirmation Hearing</u>

Section 1128(a) of the Bankruptcy Code requires the Bankruptcy Court, after notice, to hold a hearing on confirmation of the Plan (the "Confirmation Hearing"). Section 1128(b) provides that any party in interest may object to confirmation of the Plan.

If the Disclosure Statement is approved, a Confirmation Hearing will be scheduled for at the United States Bankruptcy Court, 915 Lafayette Boulevard, Bridgeport, Connecticut. The Confirmation Hearing may be adjourned from time to time by the Bankruptcy Court without further notice except for an announcement made at the Confirmation Hearing or any adjournment thereof. Any objection to confirmation must be made in writing and filed with the Bankruptcy Court and served upon all parties who have filed a demand for receipt of papers under Bankruptcy Rule 2002(I) and the following parties, together with proof of service, on or before the date set by the Court:

Zeisler & Zeisler, P.C. 10 Middle Street, 15th floor P.O. Box 1220 Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604 Attn: Matthew K. Beatman, Esq.

Objections to confirmation of the Plan are governed by Rule 9014 F.R.Bankr.P. UNLESS AN OBJECTION TO CONFIRMATION IS TIMELY SERVED AND FILED, IT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED BY THE BANKRUPTCY COURT.

XV. Alternatives To Confirmation And Consummation Of The Plan

If the Plan is not confirmed and consummated, the alternatives include (i) liquidation of the Estate under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code, or (ii) an alternative Chapter 11 plan or plans.

A. <u>Liquidation Under Chapter 7</u>

If the Plan or any other plan proposed by the Debtor cannot be confirmed under §1129(a) or (b) of the bankruptcy Code, the chapter 11 case may be converted to a case under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code, in which case a trustee or trustees would be elected or appointed to liquidate the assets of the Estate for distribution to Creditors in accordance with the priorities established under the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtor strongly believes it is clear that creditors would likely receive no more consideration on account of their Allowed Claims than that proposed in the Plan in the event a trustee or trustees are appointed, and the assets of the Estate are liquidated under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Moreover, the Debtor believes that liquidation under chapter 7 will result in the diminution of the value of the Estate because of additional administrative expenses involved in the appointment of a trustee and attorneys, accountants and other professionals to assist a trustee, and other additional expenses and claims, some of which would be entitled to priority above the creditors that would arise by reason of the liquidation.

B. Alternative Chapter 11 Plan

If the Plan is not confirmed, it is possible that the Bankruptcy court convert this case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code. In the alternative, the Debtor could propose an alternative plan. In either case, liquidation of the Estate, and/or substantial delay would be the likely result. The Debtor has explored various alternative plans during the negotiations process which resulted in the formulation of the Plan. The Debtor believes that the Plan will enable each of the creditors to realize the greatest possible recovery on each of their Claims.

C. Certain Risk Factors

In the event that the Plan is not confirmed or the chapter 11 case is converted to a case under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtor believes that such inaction or action, as the case may be, will result in substantial expense to the Estate and merely prolong, and negatively impact, the realization on claims of each of the creditors.

XVI. Conclusion

The Debtor submits that the Plan complies in all respects with Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, and recommends that holders of Claims who are entitled to vote on the Plan vote to accept the Plan. The Debtor reminds such holders that each holder must return its signed and marked ballots to the Debtor no later than the date set by the Court, at the following address:

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