

**IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

IN RE:)	Chapter 11
)	
METACHEM PRODUCTS, LLC,)	Case No. 02-11375 (MFW)
)	
Debtor.)	

**NOTICE OF BAR DATE REQUIRING FILING OF
REQUESTS FOR PREPETITION CLAIMS ON OR BEFORE
AUGUST 30, 2002 AT 4:00 P.M. (EASTERN TIME)**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the “Bankruptcy Court”) has entered an Order establishing August 30, 2002 at 4:00 p.m. (Prevailing Eastern Time) (the “Bar Date”), as the last date for parties or entities other than governmental units¹ to file proofs of claim for the purpose of asserting claims against the above-captioned debtor (the “Debtor”) that arose before May 10, 2002 (the “Petition Date”).

1. WHO MUST FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM

You **MUST** file a proof of claim if you have a claim that arose prior to May 10, 2002 and it is **not** one of the other types of claims described in Section 2 hereof. Acts or omissions of the Debtor that arose on or before May 10, 2002 may give rise to claims against the Debtor notwithstanding that such claims may not have matured or become fixed or liquidated prior to such date.

Under section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code and as used herein, the word “claim” means: (a) right to payment, whether or not such right is reduced to judgment, liquidated, unliquidated, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, legal, equitable, secured, or unsecured; or (b) right to an equitable remedy for breach of performance if such breach gives rise to a right to payment, whether or not such right to an equitable remedy is reduced to judgment, fixed, contingent, matured, unmatured, disputed, undisputed, secured or unsecured.

2. WHO SHOULD NOT FILE A PROOF OF PREPETITION CLAIM

Persons or entities seeking to have an allowed prepetition claim in one of the following categories are **not** required to file a proof of claim in respect thereof in accordance with the terms of the Bar Date Order on or before the Bar Date:

¹ The Bar Date, however, for all governmental units (as defined in section 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code) is November 7, 2002 at 4:00 p.m. (Prevailing Eastern Time), which is not less than the 180-day statutory minimum set forth in section 502(a)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code.

- (a) Prepetition Claims on account of which a proof of Prepetition Claim has already been properly filed with the Court or the Claims Agent (as that term as defined herein);
- (b) Prepetition Claims that are (i) listed in the Debtor's Amended Schedules of Assets and Liabilities (the "Amended Schedules"), filed with the Court on or about June 27, 2002, (ii) not listed therein as "contingent," "unliquidated" or "disputed" within the meaning of the Bankruptcy Code, and (iii) not disputed by the holders thereof as to amount or classification;
- (c) Prepetition Claims previously allowed by order of the Court;
- (d) Prepetition Claims solely evidencing an equity interest in the Debtor.

3. EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES

Any person or entity that holds a claim that arises from the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease as to which the effective date of such rejection is on or before July 31, 2002, must, if no earlier deadline is fixed in the rejection order, file a proof of claim based on such rejection on or before the Bar Date. Any person or entity that holds a claim that arises from the rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease as to which the effective date of such rejection is after July 31, 2002, must file a proof of claims of on or before the later of (i) thirty (30) days after the applicable rejection order is entered or (ii) the Bar Date (the "Rejection Damages Claims Bar Date").

4. WHEN AND WHERE TO FILE A PREPETITION CLAIM

If you decide to file a proof of claim, you must complete a proof of claim form and deliver it by mail, hand delivery, or overnight courier, together with any supporting documentation for your claim, to the claims agent appointed by the Bankruptcy Court (the "Claims Agent") at the following address:

Metachem Products, LLC
c/o Delaware Claims Agency, LLC
P.O. Box 515
Wilmington, DE 19899

Please note that proofs of prepetition claims will be deemed timely filed only if **actually received** by the Claims Agent on or before the Bar Date.

5. WHAT TO FILE

If you file a proof of claim, your filed proof of claim must: (i) be written in the English language; (ii) be denominated in lawful currency of the United States as of May 10, 2002; and (iii) conform substantially with the proof of claim form tailored for these chapter 11 cases or Official Form No. 10.

YOU SHOULD ATTACH TO YOUR COMPLETED PROOF OF PREPETITION CLAIM COPIES OF ANY WRITINGS UPON WHICH SUCH CLAIM IS BASED.

YOU SHOULD NOT FILE A PROOF OF PREPETITION CLAIM IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A CLAIM AGAINST THE DEBTOR, OR IF THE CLAIM YOU HELD AS OF MAY 10, 2002 HAS BEEN PAID. THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS NOTICE DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU HAVE A CLAIM OR THAT THE DEBTOR BELIEVES THAT YOU HAVE A CLAIM.

6. THE DEBTOR'S SCHEDULES AND ACCESS THERETO

You may be listed as the holder of a claim against the Debtor in the Debtor's Amended Schedules.

In the event the Debtor amends or supplements the Amended Schedules, and such amendment reduces the liquidated amount or changes the priority of a scheduled prepetition claim, adds a prepetition claim which was not listed originally on the Amended Schedules, or reclassifies a scheduled, undisputed, noncontingent prepetition claim to be disputed, unliquidated and/or contingent, the Debtor shall notify all affected claimants of the amendment and such claimants shall be permitted to file proofs of claim only on or before the later of (i) the Bar Date, or (ii) the first business day that is at least twenty (20) calendar days after the mailing of notice of such amendment (the "Amended Schedules Bar Date").

Copies of the Amended Schedules and the Bar Date Order may be examined by interested parties between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) at the office of the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court, United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, Fifth Floor, 824 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, or during regular business hours at the offices of the attorneys for the Debtor listed at the end of this notice.

**A CLAIMANT SHOULD CONSULT AN ATTORNEY REGARDING ANY
OTHER INQUIRIES, SUCH AS WHETHER SUCH CLAIMANT SHOULD FILE A
PROOF OF PREPETITION CLAIM.**

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