UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

In re:

GULF PACKAGING, INC.,1

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No. 15-15249 (PSH)

NOTICE OF DEADLINES FOR FILING OF PROOFS OF CLAIM AND REQUESTS FOR PAYMENT OF CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES TO ALL <u>KNOWN CREDITORS AND EQUITY INTEREST HOLDERS</u>

On May 29, 2015, the Court entered an order in the above-captioned chapter 11 case (the "<u>Bar Date Order</u>") establishing certain deadlines for filing proofs of claim and requests for payment of certain administrative expenses against the above-captioned debtor and debtor in possession (the "<u>Debtor</u>"). By the Bar Date Order, the Court fixed <u>July 31, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.</u>, <u>prevailing Central Time</u>, as the general claims bar date (the "<u>General Bar Date</u>"). Except as described below, the Bar Date Order requires all Entities, other than Governmental Units, that have or may assert any prepetition Claims against the Debtor, including Claims arising under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code (the "<u>503(b)(9) Claims</u>), to file proofs of claim with BMC Group, Inc. ("<u>BMC</u>"), the claims and noticing agent in this case, so that their proofs of claim are <u>actually received</u> by BMC on or before the General Bar Date. Further, by the Bar Date Order, the Court fixed <u>October 26, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.</u>, prevailing Central Time, as the governmental unit claims bar date (the "<u>Government Bar Date</u>"). Please note that the terms "Entity," "Governmental Unit" and "Claim" are defined below.

For your convenience, enclosed with this Notice is a proof of claim form, which identifies on its face the amount, nature and classification of your Claim(s), if any, listed in the Debtor's schedules of assets and liabilities filed in these cases (collectively, the "<u>Schedules</u>").

KEY DEFINITIONS

As used in this Notice, the term "Entity" has the meaning given to it in section 101(15) of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101, *et. seq.* (the "Bankruptcy Code"), and includes all persons, estates, trusts, Governmental Units and the Office of the United States Trustee.

As used in this Notice, the term "Governmental Unit" has the meaning given to it in section 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code and includes the following: the United States; states; commonwealths; districts; territories; municipalities; foreign states; departments, agencies or instrumentalities of the foregoing (but not including the Office of the United States Trustee while serving as a trustee under the Bankruptcy Code); or other foreign or domestic government.

¹ The last four digits of the Debtor's tax identification number are 5030.

As used in this Notice, the term "Claim" shall mean, as to or against any of the Debtors and in accordance with section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code: (i) any 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 (ii) any 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.

WHO MUST FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM AND THE APPLICABLE BAR DATES

The Bar Dates

The Bar Date Order establishes the following bar dates for filing proofs of claim in these cases (collectively, the "<u>Bar Dates</u>"):

- <u>The General Bar Date</u>. Pursuant to the Bar Date Order, all Entities, other than Governmental Units, holding Claims (including 503(b)(9) Claims) against the Debtor (whether secured, unsecured priority or unsecured nonpriority) that arose prior to April 29, 2015, are required to file proofs of claim by the General Bar Date (other than Entities excluded from such requirements pursuant to the Bar Date Order).
- <u>The Government Bar Date</u>. Pursuant to the Bar Date Order, all Governmental Units holding Claims against the Debtor that arose prior to April 29, 2015, are required to file proofs of claim by the Government Bar Date.
- <u>The Rejection Bar Date</u>. Any Entity whose Claim arises out of the Courtapproved rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease may assert claims in connection with the Debtor's rejection of such executory contract or unexpired leases pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code. Unless a different deadline has previously been established by an order of the Court, for any claim relating to Debtor's rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease (a "<u>Rejection Damages Claim</u>") approved pursuant to the entry of an order by this Court (a "<u>Rejection Order</u>"), the Rejection Bar Date for such a claim will be the later of (i) the General Bar Date and (ii) twenty (20) days after the date of the Rejection Order.
- <u>The Amended Schedule Bar Date</u>. If, subsequent to the mailing and publication of this Notice, the Debtor amends its Schedules to reduce the undisputed, noncontingent and liquidated amount or to change the nature or classification of a Claim against the Debtor reflected therein, the affected claimant is required to file a proof of claim or amend any previously filed proof of claim in respect of the amended scheduled claim on or before the later of (i) the General Bar Date and (ii) twenty (20) days after the date that notice of the applicable amendment to the Schedules is served on the claimant (the "<u>Amended Schedule Bar Date</u>"). To the extent that the

Debtor amends its Schedules relating to the claim of any creditor, the Debtor will serve notice of both the amendment and the Amended Schedule Bar Date on such affected creditor.

Entities That Must file Proofs of Claim by the General Bar Date

Subject to terms described above for holders of Claims subject to the Government Bar Date, the Rejection Bar Date and the Amended Schedule Bar Date, the following Entities must file proofs of claim on or before the General Bar Date if they desire to participate or share in any distribution in this chapter 11 case:

- (a) any Entity whose prepetition Claim against the Debtor is not listed in the applicable Debtor's Schedules or is listed as "disputed," "contingent" or "unliquidated";
- (b) any Entity that believes it holds a prepetition Claim that is a 503(b)(9) Claim; and
- (c) any Entity that believes that its prepetition Claim is improperly classified in the Schedules or is listed in an incorrect amount.

Entities Not Required to File Proofs of Claim by the General Bar Date

The Bar Date Order further provides that the following Entities need not file proofs of claim by the General Bar Date:

- (a) any Entity that already has properly filed a proof of Claim against the Debtor in accordance with the procedures described herein;
- any Entity (i) whose Claim against the Debtor is not listed as disputed, contingent and unliquidated in the Schedules and (ii) that agrees with the nature, classification and amount of its Claim as identified in the Schedules;
- any Entity whose Claim against the Debtor previously has been allowed by, or paid pursuant to, an order of the Court;
- any holder of an administrative claim allowable under sections 503(b) and 507(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, *except for* holders of 503(b)(9) Claims; and
- any entity that holds a claim solely against any of the Debtor's non-debtor Affiliates.

No Requirement to File Proofs of Interest

Any Entity holding an equity interest in the Debtor (an "<u>Interest Holder</u>"), which interest is based exclusively upon the ownership of common or preferred stock, a membership interest in a limited liability partnership or warrants or rights to purchase, sell or subscribe to such a security or interest (any such security or interest being referred to herein as an "<u>Interest</u>"), need not file a proof of interest on or before the General Bar Date; *provided, however*, that Interest Holders who wish to assert <u>Claims</u> against the Debtor arising out of or relating to the ownership or purchase of an Interest, including Claims arising out of or relating to the sale, issuance or

distribution of the Interest, must file proofs of claim on or before the General Bar Date, unless another exception identified herein applies.

CONSEQUENCES OF FAILURE TO FILE PROOF OF CLAIM

Any Entity that is required to file a proof of claim, but that fails to do so by the applicable Bar Date described in this Notice, may be forever barred, estopped and enjoined from asserting any such claim against the Debtor. This includes all entities holding claims that are (i) not listed in the Debtor's Schedule, (ii) listed in the Debtor's Schedules as contingent, unliquidated or disputed, (iii) in an amount greater than that set forth in the Schedules and (iv) of a different nature or classification than as set forth in the Schedules (with all such claims listed in (i) through (iv) being referred to as "<u>Unscheduled Claims</u>"). Holders of Unscheduled Claims may be barred from voting upon, or receiving distributions under, any plan of reorganization or liquidation in this chapter 11 case in respect of such claims.

If it is unclear from the Schedules whether your Claim is disputed, contingent or unliquidated as to amount or is otherwise properly listed and classified, you must file a proof of claim on or before the applicable Bar Date. Any Entity that relies on the information in the Schedules bears responsibility for determining that its Claim is accurately listed therein.

PROCEDURE FOR FILING PROOFS OF CLAIM

A signed original of a completed proof of claim, together with any accompanying or supporting documentation, must be delivered so as to be received no later than 5:00 p.m., prevailing Central Time, on the applicable Bar Date. Proofs of claim may be submitted in person or by courier service, hand delivery or mail at the following address:

If by regular mail:	If by messenger or overnight delivery:
BMC Group, Inc.	BMC Group Inc.
Attn: Gulf Packaging Claims Processing	Attn: Gulf Packaging Claims Processing
P.O. Box 90100	300 N. Continental Blvd., Suite #570
Los Angeles, CA 90009	El Segundo, CA 90245

Any proof of claim submitted by facsimile or e-mail will not be accepted and will not be deemed filed until the proof of claim is submitted by one of the methods described in the foregoing sentence. Proofs of claim will be deemed filed only when actually received by BMC. If you wish to receive acknowledgement of BMC's receipt of your proof of claim, you must also submit by the applicable Bar Date and concurrently with submitting your original proof of claim (i) a copy of your original proof of claim and (ii) a self-addressed, stamped return envelope.

Proofs of claim must include all documentation required by Bankruptcy Rules 3001(c) and 3001(d), including an original or a copy of any written document that forms the basis of the Claim or, for secured Claims, evidence that the alleged security interest has been perfected.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you require additional information regarding the filing of a proof of claim, you may

contact the BMC Group, Inc. at (888) 909-0100. You also may contact BMC directly by writing to BMC Group, Inc., Attn: Gulf Packaging Claims Processing, P.O. Box 90100, Los Angeles, CA 90009 or visit BMC's website at <u>www.bmcgroup.com/GPI</u>. The claims register for the Debtor will be available for review at the website identified above.

Dated: May 29, 2015 Chicago, Illinois BY ORDER OF THE COURT The Honorable Pamela S. Hollis United States Bankruptcy Judge

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