

EXHIBIT 1

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

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| In re: |) | |
| |) | Chapter 11 |
| Met-Coil Systems Corporation, |) | |
| |) | Case No. 03-12676 (MFW) |
| Debtor. |) | |

**NOTICE OF DEADLINE OF NOVEMBER 14, 2003, AT 4:00 P.M. (PACIFIC TIME)
TO FILE PROOFS OF CLAIM AGAINST MET-COIL SYSTEMS CORPORATION**

TO ALL CREDITORS, CLAIMANTS, EQUITY INTEREST HOLDERS AND OTHER PARTIES IN INTEREST, PLEASE TAKE NOTICE OF THE FOLLOWING:

On August 26, 2003 (the "Petition Date"), Met-Coil Systems Corporation (the "Debtor") filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (as amended, the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court").

Bar Date

By Order of this Court entered on September 23, 2003 (the "Bar Date Order"), the last date and time for filing proofs of claim against the Debtor is **November 14, 2003, at 4:00 p.m. (Pacific Time)** (the "Bar Date"), provided that the Bar Date applicable to governmental units (as defined in section 101(27) of the Bankruptcy Code) is February 23, 2004. The Bar Date and the procedures set forth below for the filing of proofs of claim apply to all claims against the Debtor that arose on or before the Petition Date.

THE BAR DATE APPLIES TO ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE DEBTOR THAT AROSE ON OR BEFORE THE PETITION DATE, INCLUDING CLAIMS ARISING FROM ALLEGED PROPERTY DAMAGE AND PERSONAL INJURIES, WHETHER AS A RESULT OF ALLEGED ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION OR OTHERWISE.

You **MUST** file a proof of claim if you have a claim that arose on or before the Petition Date, and it is not an Excluded Prepetition Claim (as defined below). Acts or omissions of the Debtor that arose on or before the Petition Date 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 as used herein, the word "claim" means (a) 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.

Creditors holding or wishing to assert the following types of claims arising on or before the Petition Date are not required to file proofs of claims respecting such claims:

- (a) Any claim for which a proof of claim against the Debtor utilizing a claim form which substantially conforms to the enclosed proof of claim form or to Official Form No. 10 has already been properly filed with the Claims Docketing Center (as defined below) or the Clerk of the Court;
- (b) Any claim (i) which is listed on the Debtor's Schedules of Liabilities (as amended from time to time, the "Schedules"), (ii) which is not described in the Schedules as "disputed," "contingent" or "unliquidated" and (iii) as to which claim the holder of such claim does not dispute the amount, priority, status or nature of the claim as set forth in the Schedules;
- (c) Any claim to the extent that such claim has been paid by the Debtor with the authorization of this Court; and
- (d) Any claim that has been fixed and allowed by an order of this Court entered on or before the Bar Date.

The foregoing claims are collectively referred to herein as the "Excluded Prepetition Claims".

YOU SHOULD NOT FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A CLAIM AGAINST THE DEBTOR. THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS NOTICE DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU HAVE A CLAIM OR THAT THE DEBTOR OR THE COURT BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE A CLAIM.

If you wish to submit a rejection damages claim arising from the Debtor's rejection of an executory contract or unexpired lease during this chapter 11 case, such proof of claim must be filed by the later of (a) thirty (30) days after the date of a final order of this Court authorizing rejection of such executory contract or unexpired lease, (b) thirty (30) days after the effective date of the rejection of such executory contract or unexpired lease or (c) the Bar Date. Any other claims arising before the Petition Date with respect to any leases or contracts of the Debtor must be filed by the Bar Date.

EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO EXCLUDED PREPETITION CLAIMS, (A) ANY CREDITOR WHO FAILS TO FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM ON OR BEFORE 4:00 P.M. (PACIFIC TIME) ON NOVEMBER 14, 2003 FOR ANY CLAIMS THAT SUCH CREDITOR HOLDS OR WISHES TO ASSERT AGAINST THE DEBTOR, WILL BE FOREVER BARRED, ESTOPPED AND ENJOINED FROM ASSERTING SUCH CLAIM (OR FILING A PROOF OF CLAIM WITH RESPECT TO SUCH CLAIM) AGAINST THE DEBTOR, (B) THE DEBTOR AND ITS PROPERTY WILL BE FOREVER DISCHARGED FROM ANY AND ALL INDEBTEDNESS OR LIABILITY WITH RESPECT TO SUCH CLAIM, AND (C) SUCH HOLDER SHALL NOT BE PERMITTED TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION OR LIQUIDATION OR PARTICIPATE IN ANY DISTRIBUTION IN THIS CHAPTER 11 CASE ON ACCOUNT OF SUCH CLAIM, OR TO RECEIVE FURTHER NOTICES REGARDING SUCH CLAIM.

Procedures Generally Applicable to the Filing of Proofs of Claim

Except as provided herein, an original proof of claim must be filed so as to be received on or before **4:00 p.m. (Pacific Time) on November 14, 2003**, at one of the following addresses (the "Claims Docketing Center"):

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| <p>If via U.S. mail: Bankruptcy Management Corporation Attn: Met-Coil Systems Corporation, Claims Processing P.O. Box 1033 1330 East Franklin Avenue El Segundo, California 90245-1033</p> | <p>If via Fed Ex, overnight courier or hand delivery: Bankruptcy Management Corporation Attn: Met-Coil Systems Corporation, Claims Processing 1330 East Franklin Avenue El Segundo, California 90245</p> |
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A proof of claim will be deemed timely filed only if the original proof of claim is mailed or delivered by hand courier or overnight service so as to be actually received by the Claims Docketing Center on or before the Bar Date. **PROOFS OF CLAIM MAY NOT BE SENT BY FACSIMILE, TELECOPY OR OTHER ELECTRONIC MEANS.** To the extent that a claimant desires an acknowledgement copy, such claimant must provide the claims agent with a copy of the proof of claim and a self-addressed, stamped return envelope. Creditors are also requested to file a copy of the proof of claim filed with the original (in addition to the acknowledgement copy).

If you file a proof of claim, your filed proof of claim must (a) be written in the English language, (b) be denominated in lawful currency of the United States, (c) conform substantially with the enclosed proof of claim form or to Official Form No. 10, and (d) attach copies of any writings upon which your claim is based. If a proof of claim form is not enclosed herewith, you may obtain a proof of claim form by written request to Bankruptcy Management Corporation sent to the appropriate address set forth above, or at the website address – www.bmccorp.net/metcoil. Additionally, you may obtain a proof of claim form from any bankruptcy court clerk's office, from your lawyer or from certain business supply stores.

You may be listed as the holder of a claim against the Debtor in the Schedules. To determine if and how you are listed on the Debtor's Schedules, if a proof of claim form is enclosed herewith, please refer to the proof of claim form, near the top of the right hand side of the first page, for the scheduled claim information, if any.

Copies of the Debtor's Schedules and the Bar Date Order may be examined by interested parties between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) at the office of the Clerk of the Court, 824 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, or by appointment during regular business hours at the offices of the Debtor's counsel: (i) Goldberg, Kohn, Bell, Black, Rosenbloom & Moritz, Ltd., 55 E. Monroe, Suite 3700, Chicago, Illinois 60603 (Attn: Kathryn Pamerter) or (ii) Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnel, 1201 North Market Street, 18th Floor, Wilmington, Delaware 19801 (Attn: Jason Harbour). Additionally, copies of the Debtor's Schedules may be downloaded from the Court's docket at www.deb.uscourts.gov or the website of Bankruptcy Management Corporation, the Debtor's claims agent at www.bmccorp.net/metcoil.

If you have any questions regarding the filing, amount, nature or processing of a proof of claim, please call the Met-Coil Systems Corporation Claims Hotline, 1-888-909-0100. **YOU SHOULD CONSULT YOUR ATTORNEY REGARDING ANY OTHER INQUIRIES, SUCH AS WHETHER YOU SHOULD FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO CONTACT THE COURT FOR ADVICE.**

Dated: Wilmington, Delaware
 September 30, 2003

**BY ORDER OF THE UNITED STATES
 BANKRUPTCY COURT**