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| In re | | : | Chapter 11 |
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| Metaldyne Corporation, et al., | | : | Case No. 09-13412 (MG) |
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| | Debtors. | : | (Jointly Administered) |
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MONTHLY STATEMENT OF SERVICES RENDERED AND EXPENSES INCURRED BY JONES DAY, COUNSEL FOR DEBTORS, FOR THE PERIOD AUGUST 1, 2009 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2009

TO THE HONORABLE MARTIN GLENN, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

In accordance with this Court's Order, Pursuant to Section 105(a) and 331 of the

Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rule 2016(a) and Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1, Establishing

Procedures for Interim Monthly Compensation for Professionals (Docket No. 287) (the "Interim Compensation Order"), Jones Day, counsel to the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), hereby submits its Monthly Statement of Services Rendered and Expenses Incurred for the Period August 1, 2009 Through August 31, 2009 (the "Statement"). The period from August 1, 2009 through August 31, 2009 is referred to herein as the "Statement Period."

Itemization of Services Rendered and Disbursements Incurred

- Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> is a summary of the services rendered by
 Jones Day for which compensation is sought, by project category.
- 2. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a listing of Jones Day professionals and paraprofessionals, including the standard hourly rate for each attorney and paraprofessional¹ (collectively, the "Jones Day Professionals") who rendered services to the Debtors in connection with these chapter 11 cases during the Statement Period and the title, hourly rate, aggregate hours worked and the amount of fees earned by each Jones Day Professional. The blended hourly billing rate of attorneys for all services during the Statement Period is \$451.00.² The blended hourly billing rate of all paraprofessionals is \$236.73.³
- 3. Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C</u> is a summary of the types of expenses for which reimbursement is sought. Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit D</u> is a detailed itemization of such expenses.

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Paraprofessionals include paralegals, legal support personnel, project assistants and staff members.

The blended hourly billing rate of \$451.00 is derived by dividing the total fees for attorneys of \$823,925.50 by the total hours of 1,826.90 for those same professionals.

The blended hourly billing rate of \$236.73 for paraprofessionals is similarly derived by dividing the total fees for paraprofessionals of \$47,747.50 by the total hours of 201.70 for these same paraprofessionals.

4. Attached hereto as <u>Exhibit E</u> are the time records of Jones Day, which provide a daily summary of the time spent by each Jones Day Professional during the Statement Period by project category

Billing Adjustments

5. In the exercise of its billing judgment, Jones Day has written off a total of \$121,122.67 in fees and expenses, including all non-working travel time, or approximately 13% of the total amount sought herein.

Total Fees and Expenses Sought for the Statement Period

6. The total amounts sought for fees for professional services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred for the Statement Period are as follows:

| Total Fees | \$871,673.00 |
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| Total Disbursements | \$58,792.79 |
| TOTAL | \$930,465.79 |

7. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, Jones Day at this time seeks payment of \$756,131.19 from the Debtors for the Statement Period (the "Interim Amount"), representing (a) 80% of Jones Day's total fees for services rendered and (b) 100% of the total disbursements incurred. Jones Day will seek payment of the remaining amount pursuant to interim or final fee applications that will be filed with the Court at a later date.

Notice and Objection Procedures

8. In accordance with the Interim Compensation Order, notice of the Statement has been served upon the following parties (collectively, as further defined in the Interim Compensation Order, the "Notice Parties"): (i) the Debtors, c/o Metaldyne Legal Department, 47603 Halyard Drive, Plymouth, Michigan 48170 (Attn: David McKee, Gen. Counsel); (ii) Jones Day, 222 East 41st Street, New York, New York 10017 (Attn: Richard Engman, Esq.); (iii) Jones Day, North Point, 901 Lakeside Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44114-1190

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(Attn: Heather Lennox, Esq.); (iv) Reed Smith LLP, 499 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York, 10022 (Attn: Kurt F. Gwynne, Esq.); (v) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York, 33 Whitehall Street, 21st Floor, New York, New York 10004 (Attn: Paul Schwartzberg, Esq. and Richard Morrissey, Esq.); (vi) Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP, One New York Plaza, New York, New York 10004-1980 (Attn: Benjamin Lewis, Esq.); and (vii) White & Case, 1155 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036-2787 (Attn: Scott Greissman, Esq.).

- 9. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, objections to this Statement, if any, must be served upon the Notice Parties, including Jones Day, no later than October 21, 2009 (the "Objection Deadline"), setting forth the nature of the objection and the specific amount of fees or expenses at issue.
- 10. If no objections to the Statement are received on or before the Objection Deadline, the Debtors will pay to Jones Day 80% of the fees and 100% of the expenses identified in the Statement.
- Objection Deadline, the Debtors will withhold payment of that portion of the Statement to which the objection is directed and will promptly pay the remainder of the fees and disbursements in the percentages set forth above. To the extent such objection is not resolved, it shall be preserved and scheduled for consideration at the next interim fee application hearing.

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Dated: October 6, 2009 New York, New York

Respectfully submitted,

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