IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:)
W. R. GRACE & CO., <u>et al.</u> ,) Chapter 11
) Case No. 01-01139 (JKF)
Debtors,) (Jointly Administered)
) Docket No. 1568
)
) Hearing: February 25, 2002 8:00 a.m.

OBJECTION OF DEBTORS TO THE APPLICATION FOR ORDER PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 1103(a) AND 328(a) OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE AND FED. R. BANKR. P. 2014 AND 2016 AUTHORIZING THE RETENTION AND EMPLOYMENT OF HAMILTON, RABINOVITZ & ALSCHULER, INC. AS CONSULTANTS TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF ASBESTOS PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIMANTS, NUNC PRO TUNC TO MAY 2, 2001

The Debtors do not believe that the Official Committee of Asbestos Property Damage Claimants (the "PD Committee") is required to file an Application to employ Hamilton, Rabinovitz & Alschuler, Inc. ("HRA") as consultants. Pursuant to the Court's June 22, 2001 Order Authorizing The Retention of Experts (the "Expert Order"), the PD Committee has the permission to employ HRA without the need to file an Application. However, Debtors object to the continued employment of HRA, to the extent HRA is being employed to analyze the Property Damage Claims in this case. HRA is not qualified to provide such analysis. All of HRA's Asbestos experience is essentially with respect to Personal Injury claims and the issues faced by Debtors with Asbestos Personal Injury liabilities.

On the other hand, to the extent that HRA is being hired by the PD Committee to analyze the Debtors' Asbestos Personal Injury liability so that the PD Committee may be in a position to understand that liability for purposes of negotiating Plan issues with the Asbestos Personal Injury Committee, Debtors do not object to HRA's retention. Debtors simply suggest that HRA's

retention be limited to this issue and HRA avoid duplicating efforts that may be made by the experts retained by the Debtors and/or the Asbestos Personal Injury Committee.

Wherefore, , the Debtors object to the employment of HRA to the extent such employment is for the purposes of analyzing Property Damage claims and the Debtors reserve their rights pursuant to section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code to object to the payment of any fees incurred by HRA which are not necessary or beneficial to the Debtors' estates.

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