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

In re	) Chapter 11			
W.R. Grace & Co., et al.,  Debtors.	Case No. 01-01139 (JJF) (Jointly Administered)			
OF BILZIN SUMBERG BATAPPROVAL AND ALLOWANC RENDERED AND REIMBURSEM OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF ASBI	ERLY FEE APPLICATION REQUEST ENA PRICE & AXELROD LLP FOR E OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES ENT OF EXPENSES AS COUNSEL TO THE ESTOS PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIMANTS R 1, 2002 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002			
Name of Applicant:	Bilzin Sumberg Baena Price & Axelrod LLP			
Authorized to provide professional services to:	Official Committee of Asbestos Property Damage Claimants			
Date of retention:	April 9, 2001			
Period for which compensation and reimbursement is sought:	October 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002			
Amount of compensation sought as actual reasonable and necessary:	<u>\$44,816.50</u>			
Amount of expense reimbursement sought as actual reasonable and necessary:	\$2,047.87 <sup>1</sup>			
This is an: $\underline{X}$ interim final application				
If this is not the first quarterly application filed, disclose the following for each prior application:				

		Requested		Approved	
Date Filed	Period	Fees	Expenses	Fees	Expenses
8/6/01	4/12/01-6/30/01	\$389,683.75	\$43,268.05		
11/8/01	7/1/01-9/30/01	\$297,019.50	\$183,000.14		
2/6/02	10/1/01 - 12/31/01	\$215,475.50	\$195,640.24		
5/17/02	1/1/02 - 3/31/02	\$281,179.50	\$79,962.62		
9/9/02	4/1/02 - 6/30/02	\$230,759.40	\$69,271.20		

Total expenses have been reduced by a cost credit of \$2,673.50 616415

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# ATTACHMENT "B" TO FEE APPLICATION SUMMARY OF HOURS

Name of Professional Person	Position of Applicant	Number of years in Position	Department	Hourly Billing Rate	Total Billed Hours	Total Compensation
Scott L. Baena	Partner	28	Bankruptcy	\$450.00	12.1	\$5,445.00
Robert M. Siegel	Partner	17	Bankruptcy	\$340.00	.2	\$68.00
Jay M. Sakalo	Associate	4	Bankruptcy	\$235.00	101.3	\$23,805.50
Scott G. Klein	Associate	4	Bankruptcy	\$180.00	20.2	\$3,636.00
Luisa M. Flores	Paralegal		Bankruptcy	\$100.00	46.2	\$4,620.00
Nichole Wong	Project Asst.		Bankruptcy	\$85.00	69.8	\$5,933.00
Wendy Van Dijk	Project Asst.		Bankruptcy	\$85.00	15.4	\$1,309.00
				Total:	265.2	\$44,816.50
TOTAL INCLUDES 50% DISCOUNT FOR ALL NON-WORKING TRAVEL TIME						
	GRAND TOTAL - \$44,816.50					
_	Blended Rate: \$169.00					ed Rate: \$169.00

## **COMPENSATION BY PROJECT CATEGORY**

PROJECT CATEGORY	TOTAL HOURS	TOTAL FEES	
Case Administration	110.0	\$19,608.00	
Debtors' Business Operations	1.1	\$258.50	
Creditors' Committee	13.8	\$3,663.50	
Claims Analysis, Objection (asbestos)	15.5	\$1,872.50	
Claims Analysis, Objections (non-asbestos)	.7	\$104.50	
Employee Benefits/Pension	1.9	\$446.50	
Fee Applications	47.8	\$5,791.50	
Fee Application of Others	35.6	\$5,285.50	
Travel	5.8	\$1,363.00	
ZAI Science Trial	2.9	\$832.00	
Relief from Stay	9.7	\$2,102.50	
Litigation Consulting	20.4	\$3,488.50	
Grand Total	265.2	\$44,816.50	

## **EXPENSE SUMMARY**

1.	Staff Overtime		
2.	Court Reporter		
3.	Messenger Services		
4.	Photocopies		1,023.29
	(a) In-house copies @ .15	465.15	
	(b) Outside copies (at cost)	558.14	
5.	Postage		.97
6.	Overnight Delivery Charges		91.71
7.	Long Distance Telephone Charges		1,243.43
8.	Telecopies	162.00	
9.	Computerized Research	1,118.47	
10.	Expert Fees and Costs		
11.	Travel Expenses		
	(a) Airfare	1,081.50	
	(b) Meals		
	(c) Parking & Mileage & Car Rental		
	(d) Lodging		
TOTA	4,721.37		
	LESS COST CREDIT	-2,673.50	
TOTA	L NET AMOUNT OF REQUESTED REIMBURSE	\$2,047.87	

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In re	)	Chapter 11
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W.R. Grace & Co., et al.,	)	Case No. 01-01139 (JJF)
	)	(Jointly Administered)
Debtors.	)	Objection Deadline: April 10, 2003 at 4:00 p.m.
	)	Hearing Date: June 17, 2003 at 12:00 p.m.

SEVENTH INTERIM QUARTERLY FEE APPLICATION REQUEST OF BILZIN SUMBERG BAENA PRICE & AXELROD LLP FOR APPROVAL AND ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AS COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF ASBESTOS PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIMANTS FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2002 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2002

Bilzin Sumberg Baena Price & Axelrod LLP (the "Applicant"), counsel to the Official Committee of Asbestos Property Damage Claimants ("PD Committee") of the above-captioned debtors (the "Debtors") in this Court, hereby submits its Seventh interim quarterly fee application request (the "Request") pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 330 and 331 and in accordance with the Administrative Fee Order (defined below) for approval and allowance of compensation for services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection therewith, respectfully represents as follows:

#### I. Introduction

1. Applicant, as counsel to the PD Committee, seeks (i) approval and allowance, pursuant to Section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code of compensation for the professional services rendered by Applicant as counsel for the PD Committee from July 1, 2002 through September 30, 2002 (the "Seventh Interim Quarterly Fee Period") in the aggregate amount of \$44,816.00 representing 265.2 hours of professional services and (ii) reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred by the Applicant during the Seventh Interim Quarterly Fee Period in connection with the rendition of such professional services in the aggregate amount of \$2,047.87.

2. This Court has jurisdiction over this application pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. Venue is proper in this district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

## II. Background

- 3. On April 2, 2001, each of the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors continue to operate its business and manage their properties as a debtor-in-possession pursuant to Sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors' Chapter 11 cases have been procedurally consolidated and are being jointly administered. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in this case.
- 4. On April 12, 2001, the United States Trustee formed the PD Committee. Thereafter, the PD Committee approved the retention of the Applicant as its counsel.
- 5. By order dated June 21, 2001 (the "Retention Order"), the Court authorized the PD Committee to retain the Applicant <u>nunc pro tunc</u> to April 9, 2001, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 1103 and 328, on a general retainer basis, to represent the PD Committee in the Consolidated Cases. The Retention Order conditioned the Applicant's compensation on approval by this Court.
- 6. This is the Seventh interim quarterly fee application request that the Applicant has filed with the Court for an allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses for services rendered to the PD Committee. This application is submitted pursuant to the terms of the Administrative Order Under §§105(a) and 331 Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Professionals and Official Committee Members approved by the Court on May 3, 2001 as amended by the Court's order of April 17, 2002 (collectively, "the Administrative Fee Order"). Previously, in accordance with the Administrative Fee Order, the Applicant has filed with the Court three Fee Applications that are the subject of this Request, which are summarized as follows:

]	Date Filed	Period Covered	Fees Requested	Expenses Requested	Objections
	12/11/02	10/1/02 - 10/31/02	\$22,819.00	\$1,408.16	None
ſ	1/10/03	11/1/02 - 11/30/02	\$18,002.00	\$2,673.50	None
ſ	2/12/03	12/1/02 - 12/31/02	\$3,995.50	\$639.71	None
ſ	Totals		\$44,816.50	\$4,721.37	

- 7. Applicant has received no payment and no promise for payment from any source for services rendered in connection with these cases. There is no agreement or understanding between Applicant and any other person for the sharing of compensation to be received hereunder.
- 8. As stated in the Certification of Jay M. Sakalo, Esquire, attached hereto as Exhibit "A," all of the services for which compensation is sought herein were rendered for and on behalf of the PD Committee solely in connection with these cases.

## **III. Summary of Services Rendered**

- 9. In accordance with Local Rule 2016-2 dated December 12, 1996 and the Administrative Fee Order, and to assist the Court, the Debtors, the Trustee and other parties in interest in evaluating this Request, the primary services performed by Applicant during the Seventh Interim Quarterly Fee Period are summarized in the Summary attached hereto as Exhibit "B." The summary reflects certain services of major importance which required the special attention, efforts and skill of Applicant. Applicant's services throughout the Seventh Interim Quarterly Fee Period have been valuable to the PD Committee in providing advice and counsel.
- 10. In accordance with the Administrative Fee Order and the Local Rules, a summary sheet of the attorneys and their corresponding names, year of admission, hourly rates and the number of hours incurred by each is set forth on Attachment B. The hourly rates reflect what Applicant generally charges its other clients for similar services. An itemization including identification of services performed by the attorneys sorted by date and time keeper is attached hereto as Exhibit "C," which also contains a statement of Applicant's disbursements, necessarily incurred in the performance of Applicant's duties as counsel to the PD Committee.
- 11. Applicant has worked closely with the PD Committee's local counsel, Ferry, Joseph & Pearce, P.A., to avoid unnecessary duplication of services.

### **IV. Conclusion**

- 12. Applicant has necessarily and properly expended 265.2 hours of services in the performance of its duties as counsel to the PD Committee during the Seventh Interim Quarterly Fee Period. Such services have a fair market value of \$44,816.00. The work involved and thus the time expended, was carefully assigned in light of the expertise required for each particular task.
- 13. In addition, Applicant incurred actual out-of-pocket expenses in connection with the rendition of services to the PD Committee in the sum of \$2,047.87 for which it respectfully requests reimbursement in full.
- 14. Applicant charges \$.15 per page for in-house photocopying services. Applicant charges the actual cost from the vendor for out-sourced photocopying and document retrieval, and computerized legal research. Applicant charges \$.50 per page for out-going facsimile transmissions, and does not charge for in-coming facsimiles.
- 15. Applicant has reviewed the requirements set forth in Local Rule 2016-2 and believes that this application for interim compensation complies therewith.
- 16. Applicant has made no prior application in this or any other Court for the relief sought herein.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests pursuant to the Administrative

Fee Order: a) the approval and allowance, pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code of

compensation for professional services rendered to the PD Committee during the Seventh

Interim Quarterly Fee Period of October 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002 in the amount of

\$44,816.00; b) the approval and allowance of Applicant's out-of-pocket expenses incurred in

connection with the rendition of such services during the Seventh Interim Quarterly Fee Period

of October 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002 in the amount of \$2,047.87; and c) such other

relief as the Court deems just.

Dated: March 21, 2003

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