IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

In re:) Chapter 11
HARTFORD COMPUTER GROUP, INC.) Case No. 11-49750 (PSH)) (Jointly Administered Under Case No.
Debtor.) 11-49744))
) Hon. Pamela S. Hollis

GLOBAL NOTES AND STATEMENT OF LIMITATIONS, METHODOLOGY, AND DISCLAIMER REGARDING DEBTORS' SCHEDULES AND STATEMENTS¹

The Schedules of Assets and Liabilities and Statement of Financial Affairs (the "Schedules and Statements") filed by Hartford Computer Hardware, Inc., *et al.* (the "Debtors"), in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois (the "Bankruptcy Court"), were prepared pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 521 and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 1007 by the Debtors' management and are unaudited. While those members of management responsible for the preparation of the Schedules and Statements have made a reasonable effort to ensure that the Schedules and Statements are accurate and complete based on information known to them at the time of preparation after reasonable inquiries, inadvertent errors may exist and/or the subsequent receipt of information may result in material changes in financial and other data contained in the Schedules and Statements that may warrant amendment of the same. Moreover, because the Schedules and Statements contain unaudited information that is subject to further review and potential adjustment, there can no assurance that these Schedules and Statements are complete or accurate. These Global Notes comprise an integral part of the Schedules and Statements and should be referred to and considered in connection with any review of them.

1. <u>Case</u>. On December 12, 2011 (the "Petition Dates"), the Debtors filed their voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1532 et seq. (the "Bankruptcy Code"). Unless otherwise indicated, the information provided is as of the close of business on December 11, 2011.

2. <u>Amendments</u>. The Debtors reserve their right to amend the Schedules and Statements in all respects at any time as may be necessary or appropriate, including, without limitation, the right to dispute or to assert offsets or defenses to any claim reflected on the Schedules and Statements as to amount, to liability, or to classification, or to otherwise subsequently designate any claim as "disputed," "contingent," or "unliquidated." Any failure to designate a claim as "contingent," "unliquidated," or "disputed" does not constitute an admission by the Debtors that such claim is not "contingent," "unliquidated," or "disputed."

¹ These Global Notes are followed by the Schedules of Assets and Liabilities or Statement of Financial Affairs.



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3. <u>Estimates and Assumptions</u>. The preparation of the Schedules and Statements requires the Debtors to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities on the date of the Schedules and Statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

4. <u>Unknown Amounts</u>. Some of the scheduled liabilities are unknown and unliquidated at this time. In such cases, the amounts are listed as "Unknown." Accordingly, the Schedules and the Statements do not accurately reflect the aggregate amount of the Debtors' liabilities.

5. <u>Pre-Petition vs. Post-Petition</u>. The Debtors have sought to allocate liabilities between the pre-petition and post-petition periods based on the information from research that was conducted with the preparation of these Schedules and Statements. As additional information becomes available and further research is conducted, the allocation of liabilities between pre-petition and post-petition periods may change.

6. <u>GAAP</u>. Given the difference between the information requested in the Schedules and Statements, and the financial information utilized under generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP"), the aggregate asset values and claim amounts set forth in the Schedules and Statements do not necessarily reflect the amounts that would be set forth in a balance sheet prepared in accordance with GAAP.

7. <u>Asset Values</u>. It would be expensive and time-consuming to obtain additional market valuations of the Debtors' property interests as of the Petition Date. Accordingly, to the extent any asset value is listed herein, and unless otherwise noted therein, net book values rather than current market values of the Debtors' property interests are reflected the applicable Schedule. As applicable, assets that have been fully depreciated or were expensed for accounting purposes have no net book value. And, unless otherwise indicated, all asset amounts and claim amounts are listed as of the Petition Date.

8. <u>Challenge of Liens</u>. Except as otherwise agreed pursuant to a stipulation or agreed order or general order entered by the Bankruptcy Court, the Debtors reserve the right to dispute or to challenge the validity, perfection, or immunity from avoidance of any lien purported to be granted or perfected in any specific asset to a secured creditor listed on Schedule D. Moreover, although the Debtors may have scheduled claims of various creditors as secured claims, the Debtors reserve all of their rights to dispute or to challenge the secured nature of any such creditor's claim or the characterization of the structure of any such transaction or any document or instrument related to such creditor's claim. The descriptions provided on Schedule D are intended only to be a summary. Reference to the applicable loan agreements and related documents is necessary for a complete description of the collateral and the nature, extent and priority of any liens. Nothing in the Global Notes or the Schedules and Statements shall be deemed a modification or interpretation of the terms of such agreements.

9. <u>Setoff or Recoupment Rights</u>. The Debtors have not included on Schedule D parties that may believe their claims are secured through setoff rights, deposits posted by or on

behalf of the Debtors, or inchoate statutory lien rights. Such counterparties have been listed on Schedule F.

10. <u>First-Day Orders</u>. Pursuant to various orders issued by the Court, the Debtors were authorized to pay certain outstanding pre-petition claims, including, without limitation, to the following: (a) claims relating to employee compensation, benefits, reimbursable business expenses, and related administrative costs; (b) prepetition shippers; (c) critical vendors and (d) tooling vendors. To the extent claims have been paid, such claims have not been listed on the Schedules and Statements or have been marked as contingent. To the extent such a claim is listed on the Schedules and Statements, inadvertently or otherwise, the Debtors do not waive any right to amend the Schedules and Statements or subsequently object to or dispute such claims.

11. Ordinary Course of Business. In the ordinary course of their businesses, the Debtors apply credits against amounts otherwise due to vendors. These credits arise because, among other matters, materials ordered and paid for may not be delivered, materials delivered are damaged or unuseable, and vendors provide volume rebates and cash discounts. Certain of these credits are subject to change. Vendor claims are listed at the amounts entered on the Debtors' books and records, which may reflect creditors or allowances due from such creditors to the Debtors. The Debtors reserve all of their rights respecting such credits and allowances.

Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases. For purposes of the Schedules 12. and Statements, the Debtors have only scheduled claims and executory contracts for which the Debtors may be contractually and/or directly liable. While every reasonable effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of Schedule G regarding executory contracts and unexpired leases, inadvertent errors or omissions may have occurred. The Debtors hereby reserve all of their rights to dispute the validity, status or enforceability of any contract, agreement, or lease set forth on Schedule G that may have expired or may have been modified, amended, and supplemented from time to time by various amendments, restatements, waivers, estoppel certificates, letters and other documents, instruments, and agreements which may not be listed on Schedule G. Certain of the leases and contracts listed on Schedule G may contain certain renewal options, guarantees of payment, options to purchase, rights of first refusal, and other miscellaneous rights. Such rights, powers, duties and obligations are not set forth on Schedule G. Certain of the executory agreements may not have been memorialized in writing and could be subject to dispute. In addition, the Debtors may have entered into various other types of agreements in the ordinary course of their businesses, such as easements, right of way, subordination, non-disturbance and attornment agreements, supplemental agreements, amendments/letter agreements, title agreements and confidentiality agreements. Such documents may not be set forth on Schedule G. The Debtors reserve all of their rights to dispute or to challenge the characterization of the structure of any transaction, or any document or instrument related to a creditor's claim. In the ordinary course of business, the Debtors may have entered into agreements, written or oral, for the provision of certain services on a month-to-month or at-will basis. Such contracts may not be included on Schedule G. But the Debtors reserve the right to assert that such agreements constitute executory contracts. Listing a contract or agreement on Schedule G does not constitute an admission that such contract or agreement is an executory contract or unexpired lease. The Debtors reserve all rights to challenge whether any of the listed contracts, leases, agreements or other documents constitute an executory contract or unexpired lease, including if any are unexpired non-residential real property leases. Any and all of the Debtors' rights,

claims, and causes of action regarding the contracts and agreements listed on Schedule G are hereby reserved and preserved.

13. <u>Causes of Action</u>. The Debtors reserve all of their causes of action. Neither these Global Notes nor the Schedules and Statements shall be deemed a waiver of any such cause of action. Furthermore, nothing contained in the Schedules and Statements shall constitute a waiver of rights with these chapter 11 cases, equitable subordination, and/or causes of action arising under the provisions of chapter 5 of the Bankruptcy Code and other relevant nonbankruptcy laws to recover assets or avoid transfers.

14. <u>Insiders</u>. In the circumstances where the Schedules and Statements require information regarding insiders and/or officers and directors, included therein are each of the Debtors' (a) directors and (b) employees that are, or were during the relevant period, officers. The listing of a party as an insider is not intended to be nor should it be construed as a legal characterization of such party as an insider and does not act as an admission of any fact, claim, right, or defense, and all such rights, claims, and defenses are hereby expressly reserved. Further, employees have been included in this disclosure for informational purposes only and should not be deemed to be "insiders" in terms of control of the Debtors, management responsibilities or functions, decision-making or corporate authority and/or as otherwise defined by applicable law, including, without limitation, the federal securities laws, or with respect to any theories of liability or for any other purpose.

15. <u>Summary of Significant Reporting Policies and Practices</u>. The following conventions were adopted by the Debtors in preparation of the Schedules and Statements:

- (a) Fair Market Value; Book Value. Unless otherwise noted therein, the Schedules and Statements reflect the carrying value of the liabilities as listed in the Debtors' books and records. Where the current market value of assets is unknown, the Debtors have based its valuation on book values; however, particularly with respect to machinery and equipment, the Debtors believe the actual value may be lower. Where known, accumulated depreciation of assets has been noted.
- (b) Inventories. Inventories are valued in the Schedules and Statements at the values indicated on the Debtors' books and records.
- (c) Leased Real and Personal Property. In the ordinary course of its business, the Debtors lease real property and various articles of personal property, including, without limitation, furniture, fixtures and equipment, from certain third-party lessors. All such leases are set forth in the Schedules and Statements. The property subject to leases is not reflected in the Schedules and Statements as either owned property or assets of the Debtors or property or assets of third-parties within the control of the Debtors. But nothing in the Schedules or Statements is or shall be construed as an admission or determination as to legal status of any lease (including whether to assume and assign or reject such lease or whether it

is a true lease or a financing arrangement), and the Debtors reserve all of its rights with respect to all such issues.

(d) Disputed, Contingent and/or Unliquidated Claims. Schedules D, E, and F permit the Debtors to designate a claim as disputed, contingent, and/or unliquidated. A failure to designate a claim on any of these Schedules and Statements as disputed, contingent, and/or unliquidated does not constitute an admission that such claim is not subject to objection. The Debtors reserve the right to dispute, or assert offsets or defenses to, any claim reflected on these Schedules and Statements as to amount, liability, or status.

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Neither the Debtors, their agents, nor their attorneys guarantee or warrant the accuracy, the completeness, or correctness of the data that is provided herein or in the Schedules and Statements, and neither is liable for any loss or injury arising out of or caused in whole or in part by the acts, errors or omissions, whether negligent or otherwise, in procuring, compiling, collecting, interpreting, reporting, communication or delivering the information hem. While every effort has been made to provide accurate and complete information herein, inadvertent errors or omissions may exist. The Debtors and their agents, attorneys and advisors expressly do not undertake any obligation to update, modify, revise or re-categorize the information provided herein, or to notify any third party should the information be updated, modified, revised or re-categorized. In no event shall the Debtors or their agents, attorneys and advisors be liable to any third party for any direct, indirect, incidental, consequential or special damages (including, but not limited to, damages arising from the disallowance of a potential claim against the Debtors or damages to business reputation, lost business or lost profits), whether foreseeable or not and however caused, even if the Debtors or their agents, attorneys and advisors are advised of the possibility of such damages.

Respectfully submitted,

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