IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

	Hearing Date: N/A Objection Deadline: February 11, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. (ET)
Debtors.	(Jointly Administered)
WELDED CONSTRUCTION, L.P., et al. 1	Case No. 18-12378 (KG)
In re:	Chapter 11

SECOND MONTHLY APPLICATION OF LANDIS RATH & COBB LLP, SPECIAL COUNSEL TO THE DEBTORS AND DEBTORS-IN-POSSESSION, FOR COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §§ 330 AND 331 FOR THE PERIOD FROM DECEMBER 1, 2018 **THROUGH AND INCLUDING DECEMBER 31, 2018**

Name of Applicant:	Landis Rath & Cobb LLP
Authorized to Provide Professional Services to:	Special Counsel for the Debtor and Debtor-In- Possession
Date of Retention:	Nunc Pro Tunc to October 22, 2018
Period for which compensation and reimbursement sought:	December 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018
Amount of monthly fees to be approved as actual, reasonable and necessary:	\$87,400.00 (80% = \$69,920.00)
Amount of monthly expenses sought as actual, reasonable and necessary:	\$689.79
This is a X monthly interim	final application
This application includes 8.10 hours with preparation of this fee application.	h a value of \$2,401.50 for time incurred in the

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Prior Applications:

	Requested Approved		oved		
Dated Filed	Period Covered	Fees	Expenses	Fees	Expenses
12/5/18	10/22/18 - 11/30/18	\$141,548.50	\$5,989.81	\$113,238.80	\$5,989.81

MONTHLY COMPENSATION BY INDIVIDUAL

Name of Professional	Position w/LRC and Year of Admission	Year of Law School Graduation	Hourly Billing Rate ²	Total Billed Hours	Total Compensation
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MONTHLY EXPENSE SUMMARY

Expenses Category	Total Expenses	
Copying	\$9.90	
Outside Printing	\$20.71	
Online Research	\$312.65	
Delivery Service/Messengers	\$33.50	
Working Meals	\$169.50	
Document Retrieval	\$11.60	
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Landis Rath & Cobb LLP ("LRC"), Special Counsel to the above-captioned debtors and debtors-in-possession (the "Debtors"), submits this Second Monthly Application of Landis Rath & Cobb LLP, Special Counsel to the Debtors and Debtors-In-Possession, for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 330 and 331 for the Period from December 1, 2018 Through and Including December 31, 2018 (the "Application") for legal services performed during the period commencing December 1, 2018 through and including December 31, 2018 (the "Application Period"). In support of the Application, LRC respectfully represents as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") has jurisdiction over this Application pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware dated February 29, 2012. This is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. §

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157(b)(2)(A) and (M), and the Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.² Venue in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

2. The statutory predicates for the relief sought herein are sections 105(a), 330 and 331 of chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 *et seq.* (as amended or modified, the "Bankruptcy Code").

BACKGROUND

- 3. On October 22, 2018 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), the Debtors commenced the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the "<u>Chapter 11 Cases</u>") by filing voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 4. The Debtors continue to operate their business and manage their properties as debtors-in-possession pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 1107(a) and 1108.
 - 5. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these Chapter 11 Cases.
- 6. On October 30, 2018, the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware (the "<u>U.S. Trustee</u>") appointed an official committee of unsecured creditors consisting of the following seven members: (i) Ohio Machinery Co.; (ii) Cleveland Brothers Equipment Co., Inc.; (iii) United Piping, Inc.; (iv) PipeLine Machinery International, LP; (v) Earth Pipeline Services, Inc.; (vi) IUOE and Pipe Line Employers Health & Welfare Fund; and (vii) Schmid Pipeline (the "<u>Committee</u>") [D.I. 128].

² Pursuant to rule 9013-1(f) of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "<u>Local Rules</u>"), LRC hereby confirms its consent to entry of a final order by the Bankruptcy Court in connection with this Application if it is later determined that the Bankruptcy Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.

- 7. The factual background relating to the Debtors' commencement of the Chapter 11 Cases is set forth in detail in the *Declaration of Frank Pometti in Support of First Day Relief* [D.I. 4] filed on the Petition Date.
- 8. On November 15, 2018, the Court entered the *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Retained Professionals* (the "Interim Compensation Order") [D.I. 230]. The Interim Compensation Order sets forth the procedures for interim compensation and reimbursement of expenses for all professionals in these Chapter 11 Cases.
- 9. On November 15, 2018, the Court also entered the *Order Authorizing the Employment and Retention of Landis Rath & Cobb LLP as Special Counsel Nunc Pro Tunc to the Retention Date* [D.I. 232].

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF COMPENSATION OF LRC

- 10. Subject to Court approval, LRC seeks payment for compensation on an hourly basis, plus reimbursement of actual, necessary expenses incurred by LRC during the Application Period. With the exception of copy charges (which are charged at a lower rate), the rates charged by LRC in these Chapter 11 Cases do not differ from the rates charged to LRC's non-bankruptcy clients.
- 11. A summary of the hours spent, the names of each professional and paraprofessional rendering services to the Debtors during the Application Period, the regular customary billing rates and the total value of time incurred by each of the LRC professionals rendering services to the Debtors are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. A copy of the computergenerated time entries reflecting the time recorded for these services, organized in project billing categories in accordance with the *Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. § 330 (the "U.S. Trustee Guidelines"*) is

attached hereto as **Exhibit B**. A statement of expenses incurred by LRC during the Application Period is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**. All time entries and requested expenses are in compliance with rule 2016-2 of the Local Rules.³

- 12. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, LRC and other professionals retained in these Chapter 11 Cases are authorized to file and to serve upon the parties identified in the Interim Compensation Order monthly fee applications (a "Monthly Fee Application") of their fees and expenses. After the expiration of a twenty (20) day objection period, the Debtors are authorized to promptly pay eighty percent (80%) of the fees and one hundred percent (100%) of the expenses requested in the Monthly Fee Application, unless an objection has been lodged against specific fees and/or expenses, or the Court orders otherwise.
- 13. In accordance with the Interim Compensation Order, LRC has filed and served upon the parties identified in the Interim Compensation Order this Application with respect to fees and expenses incurred during the Application Period; to wit, fees in the amount of \$87,400.00 and expenses in the amount of \$689.79.
- 14. All services and costs for which compensation is requested by LRC in this Application were reasonable and necessary and were performed for and on behalf of the Debtors during the Application Period.

CASE STATUS

15. The Debtors' monthly operating reports contain up-to-date information regarding the amount of cash on hand or on deposit in the Debtors' estates, the amount and nature of accrued unpaid administrative expenses, the Debtors' operating profits or losses, and the amount of unencumbered funds in the Debtors' estates.

³ LRC has also made reasonable efforts to submit this Application in a manner consistent with the U.S. Trustee Guidelines. To the extent that the U.S. Trustee Guidelines conflict with the Local Rules, in particular, Local Rule 2016-2, LRC has chosen to comply with such Local Rule. LRC will supplement this Application with additional detail or information upon request.

16. To the best of LRC's knowledge, the Debtors have paid or will pay to the U.S. Trustee its initial quarterly fees and have filed or will file its initial monthly operating report.

NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF SERVICES RENDERED ON A PROJECT SUMMARY BASIS

17. All of the professional services that LRC rendered to the Debtors during the Application Period are set forth in detail in **Exhibit B**, segregated according to project billing categories in accordance with the U.S. Trustee Guidelines. A brief description of certain services deserving specific mention are highlighted below, by project category:

(A) <u>Case Administration</u>: (Total Hours: 3.10; Total Fees: \$1,410.00)

18. Among other services provided in this category during the Application Period, LRC coordinated service of papers with the Debtors' claims and noticing agent. LRC organized records, pleadings and other papers pertaining to LRC's work as Special Counsel in the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases. LRC also maintained, updated and analyzed a calendar of deadlines and other critical dates pertinent to the Chapter 11 Cases.

(B) Litigation: (Total Hours: 175.50; Total Fees: \$78,857.00)

- 19. Among other services provided in this category during the Application Period, LRC negotiated extensively with Sunoco Marketing Partners & Terminals L.P. and Sunoco Pipeline L.P. (together, "Sunoco") to avoid litigation arising out of certain contracts between the Debtors and Sunoco. In connection therewith, LRC participated in multiple formal meet and confer meetings with Sunoco's counsel, the Debtors, the Committee, the DIP Lenders, and other parties-in-interest. In preparation for the meet and confer sessions, LRC conducted meetings with the Debtors, their Board of Directors and the Debtors' Chief Restructuring Officer.
- 20. In addition, LRC prepared and filed documents memorializing the Debtors' and Sunoco's proposed settlement agreement and stipulation (the "Settlement Agreement"). In connection therewith, LRC drafted and revised multiple iterations of the Settlement Agreement,

negotiated with Sunoco's counsel regarding the same and conferred with various parties-ininterest regarding proposed revisions to the document. LRC also reviewed and analyzed Sunoco's draft exhibits to the Settlement Agreement, advised the Debtors with respect to proposed revisions to the exhibits and negotiated with Sunoco's counsel regarding those revisions.

- 21. In connection with the Settlement Agreement, LRC prepared and filed the *Motion* of the Debtors for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Resolving Certain Disputes with Sunoco Partners Marketing & Terminals L.P. and Sunoco Pipeline, L.P. Pursuant to Rule 9019 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and 11 U.S.C. § 105 [D.I. 361] (the "9019 Motion") and a sealed version of the 9019 Motion [D.I. 360]. LRC also prepared and filed the Motion of the Debtors to Seal the Motion of the Debtors for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Resolving Certain Disputes with Sunoco Partners Marketing & Terminals L.P. and Sunoco Pipeline, L.P. Pursuant to Rule 9019 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and 11 U.S.C. § 105 [D.I. 362] (the "Motion to Seal") and the Motion to Shorten Time for Notice of (I) Motion of the Debtors for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Resolving Certain Disputes with Sunoco Partners Marketing & Terminals L.P. and Sunoco Pipeline, L.P. Pursuant to Rule 9019 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and 11 U.S.C. § 105 and (II) Motion of the Debtors to Seal the Motion of the Debtors for Approval of Compromise and Settlement Resolving Certain Disputes with Sunoco Partners Marketing & Terminals L.P. and Sunoco Pipeline, L.P. Pursuant to Rule 9019 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and 11 *U.S.C.* § 105 [D.I. 363] (the "Motion to Shorten").
- 22. Following the filing of the 9019 Motion, the Motion to Seal and the Motion to Shorten, LRC conferenced with various parties-in-interest regarding comments to the proposed forms of order and with respect to inquiries regarding confidential information contained in the

9019 Motion. LRC advised the Debtors with respect to proposed revisions to the proposed form of order to the 9019 Motion and negotiated with multiple parties-in-interest regarding revising the proposed form of order to the 9019 Motion. In addition, LRC began to prepare for the hearing to consider the 9019 Motion and the Motion to Seal.

(C) <u>LRC Retention/Fee Matters</u>: (Total Hours: 8.60; Total Fees: \$2,521.50)

23. Among other services provided under this category during the Application Period, LRC prepared and filed the First Consolidated Monthly Application of Landis Rath & Cobb LLP, Special Counsel to the Debtors and Debtors-In-Possession, for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 330 and 331 for the Period from the Petition Date Through and Including November 30, 2018 [D.I. 307] in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order, the Local Rules and the U.S. Trustee's Guidelines.

COMPENSATION REQUESTED

24. LRC expended 196.20 hours during the Application Period in furtherance of its efforts on behalf of the Debtors. LRC requests allowance of compensation in the amount of \$87,400.00 for legal services rendered during the Application Period at a blended hourly rate of \$445.46. Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order, LRC requests interim payment of 80% of the total fees requested, or \$69,920.00. None of the requested fees detailed herein have been paid.

REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES

25. During the Application Period, LRC incurred certain necessary expenses in rendering legal services to the Debtors as set forth in **Exhibit C**. LRC represents that its rate for duplication is \$0.10 per page, consistent with the Local Rules and U.S. Trustee Guidelines.

⁴ Exhibit C sets forth in summary detail the expenses incurred during the Application Period. Actual copies of invoices from LRC's vendors are not attached, but are available for inspection upon request.

- 26. In order to more efficiently handle voluminous copying of pleadings served and filed in these Chapter 11 Cases, LRC on occasion retained third-party duplication service providers. LRC seeks reimbursement only for the actual expenses charged by such third-party service providers. In addition, LRC seeks reimbursement for, among other things, computer-assisted research, which is the actual cost of such charges.
- 27. LRC seeks reimbursement for its reasonable, necessary and actual expenses incurred during the Application Period for the total amount of \$689.79.

LEGAL STANDARD

- 28. Bankruptcy Code section 330(a)(1) allows the payment of:
 - (A) reasonable compensation for actual, necessary services rendered by the trustee, examiner, ombudsman, professional person, or attorney and by any paraprofessional person employed by any such person; and
 - (B) reimbursement for actual, necessary expenses.
- 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(1). Reasonableness of compensation is informed by the "market-driven approach," which considers the nature, extent and value of services provided by the professional and the cost of comparable services in non-bankruptcy contexts. *See Zolfo Cooper & Co. v. Sunbeam-Oster Co.*, 50 F.3d 253, 258 (3d Cir. 1995); *In re Busy Beaver Building Ctr., Inc.,* 19 F.3d 833, 849 (3d Cir. 1994). Thus, the "baseline rule is for firms to receive their customary rates." *Zolfo Cooper*, 50 F.3d at 259.
- 29. In accordance with its practices in non-bankruptcy matters, LRC has calculated its compensation requested in this Application by applying its standard hourly rates. LRC's calculation is based upon hourly rates that are well within the range of rates that are charged by comparable firms in similar bankruptcy cases. Accordingly, LRC's rates should be determined to be reasonable under Bankruptcy Code section 330.

- 30. LRC's fees during the Application Period are also reasonable under the prevailing legal standard and should be allowed. The amount of these fees is not unusual given the complexity and size of the Chapter 11 Cases and the amount of work required to represent the Debtors as Special Counsel. LRC's fees are commensurate with fees that other attorneys of comparable experience and expertise have charged and been awarded in similar chapter 11 cases. Accordingly, LRC's fees are reasonable pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 330.
- 31. Bankruptcy Code section 330(a)(1)(B) permits reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses. LRC's legal services and expenses incurred during the Application Period are set forth in this Application and constitute only those necessary expenses that were incurred for the benefit of the Debtors' estates. LRC has properly requested reimbursement of only actual, necessary and appropriate legal expenses.
- 32. Except as permitted by Bankruptcy Rule 2016, no agreement or understanding exists between LRC and/or any third person for the sharing or division of compensation. All of the services for which compensation is requested in this Application were rendered at the request of and solely on behalf of the Debtors.
- 33. Pursuant to the standards set forth in Bankruptcy Code sections 330 and 331, LRC submits that the compensation requested is for actual and necessary services and expenses, and is reasonable, based upon the nature, extent and value of such services, the time spent thereon, and the costs of comparable services in cases under the Bankruptcy Code.
- 34. The time records annexed to this Application constitute only a general statement of the services rendered and time expended without description of the pressure and constraints under which LRC actually rendered these services. The considerable challenges of these Chapter 11 Cases have been attended to and managed by LRC at all levels promptly, expertly, and often

to the exclusion of other matters in LRC's office. LRC submits, therefore, that its fees and expenses were actually necessary, reasonable and justified, and should be allowed in full.

NOTICE AND NO PRIOR REQUEST

- 35. Notice of this Application has been given to the following parties or, in lieu of, to their counsel, if known: (a) the Debtors; (b) the U.S. Trustee; (c) the DIP Lenders (d) the Committee; and (e) all parties required to be given notice in the Interim Compensation Order. LRC submits that no other or further notice is necessary.
- 36. No prior request for the relief sought in this Application has been made to this or any other Court.

WHEREFORE, LRC respectfully requests that the Court (i) grant the Application and (ii) grant such further relief as is just and proper.

Dated: January 22, 2019
Wilmington, Delaware

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TO: The above-captioned Debtors; Counsel to the Debtors; the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware; Counsel to the Committee; Counsel to the DIP Lender; and all parties required to be given notice in the Interim Compensation Order.

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Objections, if any, to the relief requested in the Application must be filed with the United States Bankruptcy Court, 824 N. Market Street, 3rd Floor, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, on or before **February 11, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. (ET)**.

At the same time, you must also serve a copy of the objection upon the following parties so as to be received no later than 4:00 p.m. (ET) on February 11, 2019:

(i) Welded Construction, L.P., 26933 Eckel Road, Perrysburg, OH 43551 (Attn: Frank A. Pometti, Chief Restructuring Officer); (ii) counsel to the Debtors, Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, Rodney Square, 1000 North King Street, Wilmington, DE 19801 (Attn: Tara C. Pakrouh, Esq.); (iii) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware, J. Caleb Boggs Federal Building, Room 2207, 844 North King Street, Wilmington, DE 19801, (Attn: Jaclyn Weissgerber, Esq. and Jane M. Leamy, Esq.); (iv) counsel for the DIP Lender, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, 200 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10166 (Attn: Michael A. Rosenthal, Esq. and Matthew K. Kelsey, Esq.); (v) special counsel to the Debtors, Landis Rath & Cobb LLP, 919 Market Street, Suite 1800, Wilmington, DE 19801 (Attn: Matthew B. McGuire, Esq. and Jennifer L. Cree, Esq.); and (vi) counsel for the Committee, Blank Rome LLP, 130

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North 18th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 (Attn: John E. Lucian, Esq. and Michael B. Schaedle, Esq.).

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Detail Fee Task Code Billing Report

Landis Rath & Cobb LLP

Trans Hours Client Date Tmkr to Bill **Amount** Phase ID B114 Assumption/Rejection of Leases and Contracts 1220.002 12/06/2018 JLC 63.00 Review letter from M. McLaughlin re: equipment lease 0.20 1220.002 12/06/2018 JLC 1.10 346.50 review multi machine letter and email (.4); confer with MBM re: same (.1); email to A. Ralph re: same (.6) **Total for Phase ID B114** Billable 1.30 409.50 Assumption/Rejection of Leases and Contracts Phase ID B118 Board of Directors Matters 1220.002 12/14/2018 MBM 2.20 1,342.00 call with Board re: update on ETP (1.2); call with ETP re: settlement status (.4); calls with Hawkins and Pometti re; same (.6)**Total for Phase ID B118** 2.20 Billable 1,342.00 Board of Directors Matters Phase ID B122 Case Administration 1220.002 12/07/2018 ACD 0.30 72.00 Review newly filed pleadings and update calendar and critical 1220.002 12/13/2018 MBM 1.80 1,098.00 prepare for (.2) and attend bi-weekly advisor call (1.6) 1220.002 12/17/2018 ACD 0.30 72.00 Review newly filed pleadings and update calendar 1220.002 12/18/2018 ACD 0.70 168.00 Review agenda and newly filed pleadings and update calendar and file Total for Phase ID B122 Billable 3.10 1,410.00 Case Administration Phase ID B124 Claims Administration & Objections 1.769.00 review of claims data to prepare for ETP settlement conference 1220.002 12/09/2018 MBM 2.90 (1.6); review of research re: causes of action against ETP (1.3) 1220.002 12/22/2018 JLC 0.30 94.50 emails with B. Haywood, MBM and company re: Sunoco settlement and vendor claims. 1220.002 12/26/2018 JLC 0.20 63.00 call from vendor re: Sunoco settlement (.1); email to MBM re: same (.1) 1220.002 12/26/2018 0.20 63.00 emails with MBM, Haywood re: settlement and vendor claim. **Total for Phase ID B124** 3.60 Billable 1,989.50 Claims Administration & Objections Phase ID B134 Hearings 1220.002 12/28/2018 ACD 0.50 120.00 Assist with preparation for 1/3/19 Hrg. 1220.002 12/28/2018 JLC 31.50 review notice of agenda for 1/3 hearing 0.10 **Total for Phase ID B134** Billable 0.60 151.50 Hearings **Phase ID B135 Litigation** 1220.002 12/02/2018 MBM 1.90 1,159.00 revise term sheet with Sunoco (.7); emails with Pometti and hawkins re: same (.4); draft and review correspondence to UPI re: settlement (.6); emails with Pometti re: same (.2) 1220.002 12/03/2018 JLC 1.20 378.00 multiple BOD calls, for Sunoco settlemtn r Sunoco term sheet (1.1); confer with MBM re: settlement (.1) 1220,002 12/03/2018 MBM 8.40 5,124.00 call with Committee professionals re: status of Sunoco settlement discussions and recovery waterfall (1.1); call with Board re: same (1.7); review and revise term sheet re: same (.6); numerous emails and calls with pometti and Hawkins re: same (1.2); emails with O' Reilly re: Complaint (.2); review of O' Reilly comments to

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> review and revise draft 9019 Motion (1.6) 63.00 confer with NEJ re: motion to shorten and seal

882.00 revise 9019 motion.

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Billable 196.20 87,400.00

EXHIBIT C

MONTHLY EXPENSE SUMMARY

Expenses Category	Total Expenses	
Copying	\$9.90	
Outside Printing	\$20.71	
Online Research	\$312.65	
Delivery Service/Messengers	\$33.50	
Working Meals	\$169.50	
Document Retrieval	\$11.60	
Conference Call Services	\$131.93	
TOTAL	\$689.79	

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GRAND TOTALS

Billable 689.79

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

WELDED CONSTRUCTION, L.P., et al. 1

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 18-12378 (KG)

(Jointly Administered)

CERTIFICATION OF MATTHEW B. MCGUIRE

Matthew B. McGuire, an attorney-at-law, duly admitted in good standing to practice in the State of Delaware hereby certifies that:

1. I am a partner in the firm of Landis Rath & Cobb LLP ("LRC"), and I am duly authorized to make this certification on behalf of LRC. LRC was retained by the Debtors² as Special Counsel pursuant to an order of the Court. This certification is made in support of the Second Monthly Application of Landis Rath & Cobb LLP, Special Counsel to the Debtors and Debtors-In-Possession, for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 330 and 331 for the Period December 1, 2018 Through and Including December 31, 2018 (the "Application") and in compliance with rule 2016-2 of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware ("Rule 2016-2") and with the Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. § 330 (the "U.S. Trustee Guidelines").

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: Welded Construction, L.P. (5008) and Welded Construction Michigan, LLC (9830). The mailing address for each of the Debtors is 26933 Eckel Road, Perrysburg, OH 43551.

² Capitalized terms utilized but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Application.

2. I have read the Application, and I certify that the Application substantially complies with Rule 2016-2 and the U.S. Trustee Guidelines.

Dated: January 22, 2019 Wilmington, Delaware

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