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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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In re:

WELDED CONSTRUCTION, L.P., et al.,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 18-12378 (CSS)

(Jointly Administered)

Ref. Docket No.

ORDER APPROVING STIPULATION RESOLVING ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE <u>CLAIM OF PIPELINE MACHINERY INTERNTIONAL, LP</u>

Upon consideration of that certain *Stipulation Resolving Administrative Expense Claim of Pipeline Machinery, LP* annexed hereto as <u>Exhibit 1</u> (the "**Stipulation**")² and the related certification of counsel (the "**Certification of Counsel**") submitted by counsel for the abovecaptioned reorganized debtors (together, the "**Debtors**," and after the Effective Date, the "**Post-Effective Date Debtors**"); and due and proper notice of the relief provided for herein having been given under the circumstances; and it appearing that no other or further notice of the relief provided for herein is required; and it appearing that this Court has jurisdiction to consider the Stipulation and the Certification of Counsel and enter this Order 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 as of February 29, 2012; and it appearing that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and it appearing that venue of this proceeding and the relief provided for herein is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and it appearing that the relief provided for herein is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, and creditors and an appropriate exercise of the Post-Effective Date Debtors' business judgment; and

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based upon the representations of the in the Certification of Counsel; and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor under the circumstances; it is hereby **ORDERED**, **ADJUDGED**, **AND DECREED** THAT:

1. The Stipulation is hereby approved in all respects.

2. The Post-Effective Date Debtors and Plan Administrator are hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the terms of the Stipulation.

3. The claims agent for these Chapter 11 Cases is authorized and directed to modify the official claims register maintained by the claims agent for such cases to comport with the terms of this Order and the Stipulation.

4. This Order shall become effective immediately upon its entry and shall not be stayed notwithstanding anything in the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure to the contrary.

5. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and/or enforcement of this Order and the Stipulation.

CHRISTOPHER S. SONTCHI UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

Dated: September 8th, 2020 Wilmington, Delaware

<u>EXHIBIT 1</u>

Stipulation

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STIPULATION RESOLVING ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE CLAIM OF PIPELINE MACHINERY INTERNTIONAL, LP

This stipulation (this "Stipulation") is entered into by and among the above-captioned reorganized debtors (together, the "Debtors," and after the Effective Date the "Post-Effective Date Debtors") and Pipeline Machinery International, LP ("PLM," and together with the Post-Effective Date Debtors, the "Parties").

RECITALS

A. On October 22, 2018 (the "**Petition Date**"), the Debtors filed voluntary petitions in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "**Court**") for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101 *et seq.* (the "**Bankruptcy Code**"), thereby commencing the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (together, the "**Chapter 11 Cases**").

B. On June 25, 2020, the Court entered its *Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law,* and Order Confirming the Amended Chapter 11 Plan (the "**Plan**")² of Welded Construction, L.P. and Welded Construction Michigan, LLC [Dkt. No. 1505].

C. On July 31, the Effective Date of the Plan occurred and, among other things, pursuant to that certain Plan Administrator Agreement between the Debtors and Cullen D.

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Speckhart, Ms. Speckhart became the Plan Administrator of the Post-Effective Date Debtors. *See* Docket No. 1555. The Plan Administrator is presently managing the Post-Effective Date Debtors' affairs pursuant to the Plan and Plan Administrator Agreement.

D. Pursuant to the Plan, Administrative Claims against the Debtors arising on and after April 1, 2019 are due to be asserted no later than thirty-five days after the Effective Date, or September 4, 2020. *See id*.

E. Debtor Welded Construction, L.P. ("**Welded**") and PLM were previously party to that certain Master Rental Contract, dated May 5, 2017 (as amended, supplemented and modified from time to time, and together with all schedules thereto, the "**Agreement**").

F. The Agreement terminated prior to the Effective Date of the Plan.

G. Following the Effective Date, PLM informally alleged certain Administrative Claims due from Welded arising after April 1, 2019 from Welded's return of certain equipment that PLM leased to the Debtors (collectively, the "**Post-Petition Claims**"). PLM provided Welded with invoices documenting the Post-Petition Claims totaling \$15,729.80. Copies of the invoices comprising the Post-Petition Claims are attached as <u>Exhibit 1</u> hereto.

H. Prior to the execution of this Stipulation, the Parties have engaged in arms'-length and good-faith negotiations with respect to the Post-Petition Claims.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth in this Stipulation and with the intent to be legally bound, the Parties do hereby agree as follows:

1. This Stipulation is conditioned upon the Court's entry of an order, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 2</u> (the "Approval Order"), approving this Stipulation without notice and hearing, as authorized pursuant to Article 8.1 of the Plan, and the Parties shall use their commercially reasonable efforts to promptly obtain entry of the Approval Order.

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2. In full and final satisfaction and resolution of the Post-Petition Claims and any and all other Administrative Claims that have been, could have been or could be asserted by PLM (and any person or entity claiming by or through PLM) against the Debtors and their estates, their insurers, the owners of the pipeline projects that the Debtors constructed, and any sureties relating to these projects as of the date hereof or hereafter arising from or related to the Post-Petition Claims, and any and all other administrative expense claims pursuant to sections 365 or 503 of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise against the Debtors: PLM shall have an Allowed Administrative Claim in the aggregate amount of \$13,057.58 (the "Allowed Administrative Claim"), which Allowed Administrative Claim shall be paid within seven (7) days of the entry of the Approval Order.

3. PLM represents and warrants that PLM has not sold, assigned, pledged, or otherwise transferred the Post-Petition Claims or any part thereof.

4. The recitals stated above constitute and form an integral part of this Stipulation and are incorporated by reference as if set forth herein in full.

5. The undersigned are duly authorized and empowered to execute this Stipulation.

6. The Parties have participated in and jointly consented to the drafting of this Stipulation, and any claimed ambiguity shall not be construed for or against either of the Parties on account of such drafting.

7. This Stipulation and all of its terms shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Parties and each of their respective executors, heirs, permitted successors and assigns, and all persons and entities claiming by or through the Parties, including any subsequently appointed Plan Administrator or representative of the Debtors.

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8. The Parties consent and submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Court over any actions or proceedings relating to the enforcement or interpretation of this Stipulation and the Approval Order. Any Party bringing such action or proceeding shall bring such action or proceeding in the Court, to which the Parties hereby consent to the Court entering a final judgment in any such action or proceeding, the outcome of which (including all appeals), shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions (including any foreign jurisdictions) by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by applicable law.

9. This Stipulation and all claims and disputes arising out of or in connection with this Stipulation shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to choice of law principles to the extent such principles would apply a law other than that of the State of Delaware.

10. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Stipulation constitutes the entire agreement of the Parties concerning the subject matter hereof, and supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements among the Parties concerning such subject matter. The Parties acknowledge that this Stipulation is not being executed in reliance on any oral or written agreement, promise, or representation not contained herein. Any amendment to this Stipulation must be in a writing signed by both of the Parties.

11. To the extent applicable, the claims agent for the Chapter 11 Cases is authorized and directed to modify the official claims register maintained by the claims agent for such cases to comport with the terms of this Stipulation.

12. This Stipulation may be executed in counterparts, each of which constitutes an original, and all of which, collectively, constitute only one agreement. The signatures of both of the Parties need not appear on the same counterpart.

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WELDED CONSTRUCTION, L.P., on behalf of the Debtors

By: <u>/s/ Cullen D. Speckhart</u> Name: Cullen D. Speckhart, Esq. Title: Plan Administrator Dated: September 2, 2020

PIPELINE MACHINERY INTERNATIONAL, LP

By:______ Name: ______ Title: ______ Dated: ______ Case 18-12378-CSS Doc 1588-1 Filed 09/08/20 Page 7 of 15

WELDED CONSTRUCTION, L.P., on behalf of the Debtors

By:____

Name: Cullen D. Speckhart, Esq. Title: Plan Administrator Dated: ______, 2020

PIPELINE MACHINERY INTERNATIONAL, LP

By: MICHILL Name: MITEO AILL Title: CFO Dated: September 2, 2020

EXHIBIT 1

Invoices for Post-Petition Claims

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