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IN THE NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF DOUGLAS

DSM PARTNERS, LTD., a Colorado limited partnership,

Plaintiff,
vs.

METALAST INTERNATIONAL, LLC, a Nevada limited-liability company; METALAST INTERNATIONAL, INC., a Nevada, corporation,

Defendants.

Case No.: 13-CV-0114

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER

TO: ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on November 4, 2013, the Court entered the attached Order Approving Sale Of Assets To D&M-MI, LLC. A true and correct copy is attached as Exhibit 1.

AFFIRMATION PURSUANT TO NRS 239B.030

The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding document does not contain the Social Security Number of any person.

Dated this 5th day of November 2013.

ARMSTRONG TEASDALE LLP

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Dept. No.: II

ORDER APPROVING SALE OF ASSETS TO D&M-MI, LLC

James Proctor, Receiver of Metalast International, LLC (the "Company") and its assets as more specifically set forth in this Court's Order Granting Motion for Appointment of Receiver and Preliminary Injunction dated April 25, 2013, moved this Court to issue an order preliminarily approving the sale of assets, approving bid procedures, and setting sale hearing ("Sale Motion"). This Court granted the Sale Motion and set the sale hearing for November 4, 2013, at 3:00 p.m.

Pursuant to this Court's order, the Receiver notified the known members, vendors and creditors of Metalast International, LLC, as evidenced by the Notice of Entry of Order (A) Preliminarily Approving Sale of Assets, (B) Approving Bid Procedures, & (C) Setting Sale Hearing and corresponding certificate of service on file herein. Pursuant to the Bid Procedures, an auction was held, and Plaintiff D&M-MI, LLC, credit bid five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) for the assets described in the order pursuant to the Bid Procedures approved by this Court. No other person qualified or attempted to qualify to bid on the assets of the Company being sold herein.

On November 4, 2013, a hearing was held concerning the merits of the sale of assets to

D&M-MI, LLC. Upon due consideration of the pleadings on file, objections submitted, and arguments at the hearing, this Court finds and concludes as follows:

- 1. On or about January 8, 2001, Meiling Family Partners, Ltd., a Colorado limited partnership, made a loan to Metalast International, LLC in the original principal sum of \$300,000.00, evidenced by a Promissory Note dated January 8, 2001 ("2001 Note").
- 2. David M. Semas ("Semas") individually guaranteed payment of all principal and interest under the 2001 Note and agreed to be fully bound to the terms thereof ("2001 Semas Guarantee").
- 3. On or about April 2, 2003, Dean Meiling made a loan to the Company in the original principal sum of \$300,000.00, evidenced by a Promissory Note dated April 2, 2003 ("2003 Note").
- 4. The 2001 Note and the 2003 Note were assigned and contributed to DSM Partners, Ltd. ("DSM") by Meiling Family Partners, Ltd. and Dean Meiling, respectively.
- 5. On or about July 3, 2009, DSM made a loan to the Company in the original principal sum of \$300,000.00, evidenced by a Promissory Note-Guarantee dated July 3, 2009 (the "July 2009 Note").
- 6. Mr. Semas guaranteed payment of all principal and interest under the July 2009 Note and agreed to be fully bound to the terms thereof ("2009 Semas Guarantee").
- 7. On or about July 31, 2009, DSM made a further loan to the Company in the original principal sum of \$1,000,000.00, and in exchange therefore, the Company executed and delivered to DSM a Senior Unsubordinated Promissory Note dated July 31, 2009, in the original principal sum of \$3,450,588.00, which represented the outstanding balance of the 2001 Note, the 2003 Note, and the additional \$1,000,000.00 loan, comprising all unpaid principal and accrued interest then outstanding.
- 8. As provided in Section 6 the Senior Unsubordinated Promissory Note, the Senior Unsubordinated Promissory Note superseded and replaced in their entirety the 2001 Note, 2003 Note and the July 2009 Note; said notes were rescinded upon the execution of the Senior Unsubordinated Promissory Note; and the 2001 Semas Guarantee and the 2009 Semas Guarantee were nullified, rescinded and cancelled.
- 9. In connection with the Senior Unsubordinated Promissory Note, the Company executed and delivered to DSM a Security Agreement whereby the Company granted, transferred and assigned to

DSM a superior unsubordinated security interest in and to all Collateral defined in the agreement as security for the Company's repayment of the Senior Unsubordinated Promissory Note.

- 10. On or about December 17, 2009, the Company borrowed an additional sum of \$500,000.00 from DSM, evidenced by the Loan Agreement, Amended and Restated Senior Unsubordinated Promissory Note in the sum of \$3,950,588.00 (simply referred to as the "Note"), and Amended and Restated Security Agreement with interest accruing on the Note at the rate of 18% per annum, which represented the outstanding principal balance of the Senior Unsubordinated Promissory Note and the additional \$500,000.00 loan. See Exhibits 1-3 to Affidavit of D. Meiling filed in support of the Motion to Appoint.
- 11. In furtherance of the loan documents, the following were filed with the Nevada Secretary of State: UCC-1 Financing Statement, July 31, 2009 (Document No. 2009018959-1); and UCC-1 Financing Statement, December 18, 2009 (Document No. 2009030514-5).
 - 12. The collateral secured by the Loan Documents, includes, inter alia,

Section 1. All of Debtor's right, title and interest in its intellectual property, copyrights and patents (including, without limitation, those described herein in Section 2, "Intellectual Property," and Section 3, "Patents"), inventory, furniture, all personal and fixture property of every kind, including goods, equipment, partnership agreements, accounts receivable, all vendor and sales contracts and all other contracts and agreements, accounts receivable, instruments, documents, accounts, chattel paper, deposit accounts, letter or credit rights, securities, investment property, rights to payment insurance claims and proceeds and general tangibles (collectively, the "Collateral"). The term "Collateral" shall include all or the above-referenced property, whether now owned or subsequently acquired and wherever located, of every kind and description, and shall include all tangible and intangible personal property, and shall include every deposit account of Debtor with any financial or banking institution, and any other claim of Debtor against any person or entity, and all money, instruments, securities, documents, chattel paper, claims and any other property of Debtor, including proceeds.

In addition to the above-described Collateral, there is also included within the security interest granted to Secured Party, any and all other assets of Debtor. All property of Debtor of every kind and nature, and all beneficial interests belonging to or to which Debtor may be entitled, and all property and assets that shall, after the effective date hereof, come into the possession of or belong to Debtor, are included within the scope of "Collateral."

- Section 2. Intellectual Property [Detailed in UCC-1 Financing Statement; Omitted Here]
- Section 3. Patents [Detailed in UCC-1 Financing Statement; Omitted Here]

See UCC-1 Financing Statements, Exhibit 4 to Affidavit of D. Meiling filed in support of the Motion to Appoint.

- 13. The Note was due and payable on July 31, 2010, with an option by the Company to extend the maturity date for six months upon certain conditions.
- 14. DSM and the Company amended the Loan Agreement and Note seven times by (i) a Loan Modification Agreement, dated February 25, 2010, (ii) a Second Loan Modification Agreement, dated December 31, 2010, (iii) a Third Loan Modification Agreement, dated July 1, 2011, (iv) a Fourth Loan Modification Agreement, dated March 15, 2012, (v) a Fifth Loan Modification Agreement, dated July 31, 2012, (vi) a Sixth Loan Modification Agreement, dated December 31, 2012, and (vii) a Seventh Loan Modification Agreement, dated March 1, 2013 (collectively the "Modification Agreements", and together with the Loan Agreement, Note, and other documents related to the loan, the "Loan Documents").
- 15. As of March 1, 2013, the unpaid or outstanding principal balance of the Note was \$8,574,520.72, and the accrued unpaid interest under the Note was \$253,711.85.
- 16. Pursuant to the Seventh Loan Modification Agreement, DSM loaned the Company the additional sum of \$200,000.00, bringing the outstanding unpaid principal balance of the Note to \$9,028,232.57. See Seventh Loan Modification Agreement, Section 4.1, Exhibit 5 to Affidavit of D. Meiling filed in support of the Motion to Appoint.
 - 17. The Maturity Date of the Note was June 30, 2013.
- 18. On July 2, 2013, DSM Partners, Ltd. assigned D&M-MI, LLC all of its rights to the Loan Documents, and D&M-MI, LLC agreed to assume all obligations, duties and rights related thereto.
- 19. On October 4, 2013, this Court substituted D&M-MI, LLC for DSM Partners, Ltd. as the Plaintiff in the above-captioned action.
- 20. Metalast International, LLC's debt to D&M-MI, LLC, as successor in interest to DSM Partners, Ltd., under the Loan Documents is due and payable. Additionally, Plaintiff has provided six loans to the Receiver, as evidenced in part by Receiver's Certificates 1 through 5 on file with this

Court. The total amount loaned by Plaintiff to the Receiver is \$385,000.00, which carries an annual interest rate of 18%.

- 21. Upon the assumption of the Receiver's duties on April 26, 2013, the Company was delinquent in two (2) payrolls to employees approximating \$110,000. See Affidavit of James S. Proctor, ¶ 3.
- 22. The Company's employee's health insurance was in jeopardy of being cancelled for non-payment of approximately \$13,000. See Affidavit of James S. Proctor, ¶ 4.
- 23. Despite the Receiver cutting costs and expenses and negotiating termination of leases, the Company's monthly revenue from sales and training classes has been insufficient to meet monthly operating expenses. See Affidavit of James S. Proctor, ¶ 7.
- 24. There has been over \$95 million invested by the Company's members, and the accumulated losses of the Company exceed \$119 million for an almost 20-year period. See Affidavit of James S. Proctor, ¶ 8.
- 25. The Company has never made a profit from operations during its entire existence. See Affidavit of James S. Proctor, ¶ 8.
- 26. There is evidence of self-dealing with the executives of the Company in the form of excessive perquisite benefits, large travel and entertainment expenses, and reimbursements. See Affidavit of James S. Proctor, ¶ 8.
- 27. The excessive operating costs of the Company with limited revenue resulted in the severe financial difficulty of the Company, to such an extent that it could not pay its current operating expenses and obligations and could not pay its past obligations. See Affidavit of James S. Proctor, ¶
- 28. Despite the Company's reduction in expenses prior to the Receivership the Company on April 25, 2013 was still in poor financial condition. Without the loan amount from DSM the Company would have had to cease operating. See Affidavit of James S. Proctor, ¶ 10.
- 29. The Receiver, together with the Company's employees, has further reduced operating expenses and costs, but no additional reductions can reasonably be made. See Affidavit of James S. Proctor, ¶ 11.
 - 30. Without additional loans from D&M-MI, LLC or capital infusions from the members, or

significant increase in sales, the Company will be unable to sustain its operations, at least in the short term. Current liabilities exceed current assets. See Affidavit of James S. Proctor, ¶ 13.

- 31. The cost of the Receivership continues to increase with time. See Affidavit of James S. Proctor, ¶ 14.
- 32. As a result, good cause exists to approve the sale of the Company's assets, which are secured by the Amended and Restated Senior Unsubordinated Promissory Note, to D&M-MI, LLC, as the secured creditor, for five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in partial satisfaction of the Company's debt to D&M-MI, LLC.
- 33. A common-law equity receiver has the power to dispose of the property of the receivership estate when it appears that the entities it acts for are or were continuing an enterprise that does not show evident signs of working out for the benefit of creditors. See Jones v. Village of Proctorville, 290 F.2d 49, 50 (6th Cir. 1961).
- 34. Courts appointing a receiver "should see that the business is liquidated as economically and speedily as possible, unless its continuance is demonstrably beneficial to creditors." *Id.* (citing *Kingsport Press, Inc. v. Brief English Systems*, 54 F.2d 497, 501 (2nd Cir. 1931)).
- 35. While there is no specific method for the sale of property under Nevada law, the method and terms of sale of receivership assets are subject to approval of the court. See generally Lynn v. Ingalls, 100 Nev. 115, 676 P.2d 797 (1984).
- 36. The right to sell estate assets is within the scope of a receiver's complete control over receivership assets, a conclusion firmly rooted in the common law of equity receiverships. S.E.C. v. American Capital Investments, Inc., 98 F.3d 1133, 1144 (9th Cir. 1996).
- 37. Time is of the essence for any attempt to preserve value for creditors, because D&M-MI, LLC has informed the Receiver that it does not intend to maintain its present support of the Receivership, which has necessitated \$385,000.00 in loans to the Receivership from D&M-MI, LLC in the months since this Court appointed the Receiver.
- 38. Because the Company cannot meet its current obligations, let alone begin to repay its obligations to existing creditors, the Receiver's sale of assets carries out his obligation to preserve the receivership estate, and it is in the best interests of the receivership estate.

39. The sale occurred in good faith, and D&M-MI, LLC is a good-faith purchaser.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this Court approves the sale of those assets defined herein to Plaintiff D&M-MI, LLC, for five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00), free and clear of any and all unsecured claims against the Company, in partial satisfaction of the Company's debt to D&M-MI, LLC.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

The Receiver is authorized to enter into a sale agreement and execute any documents related to the sale to D&M-MI, LLC necessary to consummate the sale of the following assets to D&M-MI, LLC, in partial satisfaction of the Company's debt to D&M-MI, LLC:

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Section 2. Intellectual Property

- (a) All patents and patent applications (including such patents and patent applications as described herein in Section 3, "Patents"), domestic or foreign, all licenses relating to any of the foregoing and all income and royalties with respect to any licenses, all rights to sue for past, present or future infringement thereof, all rights arising therefrom and pertaining thereto and all reissues, divisions, continuations, renewals, extensions and continuations in part thereof;
- (b) All state (including common law), federal and foreign trademarks, service marks and trade names, and applications for registration of such trademarks, service marks and trade names (but excluding any application to register any trademark, service

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mark or other mark prior to the filing under applicable law of a verified statement of use (or the equivalent) for such trademark, service mark or other mark to the extent the creation of a security interest therein or the grant of a mortgage thereon would void or invalidate such trademark, service mark or other mark), all licenses relating to any of the foregoing and all income and royalties with respect to any licenses, whether registered or unregistered and wherever registered, all rights to sue for past, present or future infringement or unconsented use thereof, all rights arising therefrom and pertaining thereto and all reissues, extensions and renewals thereof;

- (c) The entire goodwill of or associated with the businesses now or hereafter conducted by Debtor connected with and symbolized by any of the aforementioned properties and assets;
- (d) All general intangibles and all intangible intellectual or other similar property of Debtor of any kind or nature, associated with or arising out of any of the aforementioned properties and assets and not otherwise described above; and
- (e) AR proceeds of any and all of the foregoing Collateral (including license royalties, rights to payment, accounts receivable and proceeds of infringement suits) and, to the extent not otherwise included, all payments under insurance or any indemnity, warranty or guaranty payable by reason of loss or damage to or otherwise with respect to the foregoing Collateral.

Section 3. Patents

- a. Patent Number 6,375,726 issued on April 23, 2002 entitled "Corrosion Resistant Coating For Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys"
- b. Patent Number 6,511,532 issued on January 28, 2003 entitled "Post-Treatment For Anodized Aluminum"
- c. Patent Number 6,521,029 issued on February 18, 2003 entitled "Pretreatment For Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys"
- d. Patent Number 6,527,841 issued on March 4, 2003 entitled "Post-Treatment For Metal Coated Substrates"
- e. Patent Number 6,669,764 issued on December 30, 2003 entitled "Pretreatment For Aluminum and Aluminum Alloys"
- f. Patent Number 6,663,700 issued on December 16, 2003 entitled "Post-Treatment For Metal Coated Substrates"
- g. Patent Application Number 11/058.533 5/15/05 entitled "Process For Sealing Phosphoric Acid Anodized Aluminum"
- h. Patent Application Number 11/076.106 2/15/05 entitled "Process For Preparing Chromium Conversion Coating For Iron and Iron Alloys"
- i. Patent Application Number 11/058.715 2/15/05 entitled "Process For Preparing Chromium Conversion Coating For Magnesium Alloys"

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- 14. Patent Application Number 11/058,533 filed on May 15, 2005 entitled "Process For Sealing Phosphoric Acid Anodized Aluminum"
- 15. Patent Application Number 11/076,106 filed on February 15, 2005 entitled "Process For Preparing Chromium Conversion Coating For Iron and Iron Alloys"
- 16. Patent Application Number 11/058,715 filed on February 15, 2005 entitled "Process For Preparing Chromium Conversion Coating For Magnesium Alloys"
- 17. Patent Application Number 11/116,166 filed on April 21, 2005 entitled "Composition and Process For Preparing Chromium-Zirconium Coatings on Metal Substrates"
- 18. Patent Application Number 11/116,165 filed on April 21, 2005 entitled "Composition and Process For Preparing Protective Coatings on Metal Substrates"
- 19. Provisional Patent Application (Patent Pending) for METALAST OCP 6800 (Zero Chrome Process) as an anodizing seal and non-chromate conversion coating
- 20. Patent Application Number 12/706,360 filed on February 16, 2010, Notice of Allowance issued March 15, 2013, entitled "Conversion Coating and Anodizing Sealer with no Chromium"

Also included in the sale to D&M-MI, LLC is the Company's right to pursue claims to recover this and any other intellectual property in the name of another person or entity but that should rightfully be in the name of the Company. Specifically, the sale includes chose in action against Metalast International, Inc. to recover intellectual property improperly in Metalast International, Inc.'s name, rather than in the name of the Company.

The sale shall further include any and all contracts and licenses of the Company, subject to approval of the counter party.

The sale shall exclude accounts payable and other liabilities.

DATED this | day of November, 2013.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Zabett Buzzone, declare that:

I am over 18 years of age and not a party to, or interested in, the within entitled action. I am an employee of Armstrong Teasdale, LLP located at 50 West Liberty Street, Suite 950, Reno, Nevada, 89501.

On November 5, 2013, I served the following document:

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER

[X] BY MAIL [N.R.C.P. 5(b)] I caused each envelope to be placed for deposit with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope, with postage prepaid, and that each envelope was placed for collection and mailing on that date following ordinary business. I am readily familiar with the business practice at my place of business for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the U.S. Postal Service. Correspondence so collected and processed is deposited with the U.S. Postal Service that same day in the ordinary course of business. I am aware that on motion of the party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date is more than one day after date of deposit for mailing in affidavit;

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David M. Semas, *In Pro Per* 301 Five Creek Road Gardnerville, Nevada 89460 David M. Semas, *In Pro Per* Post Office Box 618 Genoa, Nevada 89411

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Nevada that the above is true and correct.

An employee of Armstrong Teasdale LLP