## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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833 Chestnut Street, Suite 500 Philadelphia, PA 19107

IN RE: Chapter 11

MARCUS LEE ASSOCIATES, L.P. Case No. 09-11037 (JKF)

Debtor(s).

#### NOTICE OF FORMATION MEETING FOR OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS

The above named debtor(s) have filed a voluntary petition for relief under the provisions of Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

Bankruptcy Code Sec. 1102 authorizes the United States Trustee to appoint representatives of the unsecured creditors of the debtor to the Official Creditors' Committee. The debtor's petition or other sources of information indicate that you fall into the category of being one of the largest unsecured creditors.

This is to notify you that a formation meeting for an official committee of unsecured creditors has been scheduled for:

Date/Time: March 2, 2009 @ 11:30 a.m. Location: Office of the U.S. Trustee

Chapter 11 Meeting Room, Suite 501

833 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19107

It is important that you attend this meeting. If you cannot attend the meeting and you wish to be considered for serving on the Committee, you should immediately advise the Office of the United States Trustee.

The United States Trustee may appoint a Committee consisting of creditors who <u>attend the meeting or otherwise indicate a willingness to serve on the Committee.</u> If you do not attend the scheduled meeting, or do not affirmatively indicate your willingness to serve, you will not be considered for appointment to the Committee. If you send an attorney or someone else to represent you at the meeting, your representative must present your written proxy authorizing the representative to act on your behalf.

The Unsecured Creditors' Committee performs a vital role in Chapter 11 proceedings and for that reason your interest and consideration is solicited and appreciated.

ROBERTA A. DeANGELIS United States Trustee, Region 3

\_/s/ David M. Klauder for FREDERIC J. BAKER

Senior Assistant United States Trustee

DATED: February 19, 2009

cc: Attorney assigned to this case: David M. Klauder, Esq., Phone: 215-597-4411, Fax: 215-597-5795 Debtor's counsel: Albert A. Ciardi, III, Esq., Phone: (215) 557-3550, Fax: (215) 557-3551

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# OFFICIAL UNSECURED CREDITORS' COMMITTEE QUESTIONNAIRE

In th	e matter of:	MARCUS LEE ASSOCIATES, L.P.	, Case No. 09-11037 (JKF)	
I or	my company is an	unsecured creditor of: (if more than of	one debtor; which debtor?)	
Your	Full Name:			(Note*)
Com	pany Name:			
Com	pany Address	(if you are individual credit	or, your home address)	
City/State:Zip Code:				
Phon	ne# ()	Fax	#()	
E-Ma	ail Address			
Amo	unt of Unsecured	Claim is:		
11 U Give any o	.S.C. §503(b) a brief description of the claim(s) were	Claim entitled to be treated as an admi below of the nature of your claim(s), inc acquired after the bankruptcy filing, se imparison to the face amount of each cla	cluding whether any portion of you t forth when the claim(s) were acq	ur claim is secured. If uired and the
1.	Are you, or the of 101(2) of the Ba	company you represent, in any way "affiliankruptcy Code?	ated" with any of the debtors within t	he meaning of Section Yes( ) No( )
2.	Do you, or the c businesses of the	ompany you represent, engage in a businesse debtor(s)?	ss which directly or indirectly compe	etes with any of the Yes( ) No( )
3.	Have you ever b	een an officer, director, agent, representati	ve or employee of the debtor(s)?	Yes( ) No( )
4.	As of the petitio	n date, did you own any equity interests in	the debtor(s)?	Yes( ) No( )
5	Was any of the u	unsecured claim you are asserting acquired	after the bankruptcy filing?	Yes( ) No( )
6.	Are you eligible	and willing to serve on the unsecured cred	litors' committee?	Yes( ) No( )
7.	Have you made	a UCC 2-702 reclamation claim?		Yes( ) No( )
		the best of my knowledge and belief, t e read the attached Information Sheet		nnaire are true and
			ature	
		Title		

<sup>\*</sup>If you are an attorney representing a creditor, please attach your proxy

### CHAPTER 11 CREDITORS' COMMITTEE INFORMATION SHEET

<u>Chapter 11 Proceedings Generally</u> - After commencement of a chapter 11 bankruptcy proceeding, the debtor continues to operate its business as a "debtor-in-possession", unless it is subsequently shown that a trustee should be appointed. All actions to recover or enforce pre-bankruptcy claims against the debtor are automatically stayed under Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code during the bankruptcy proceeding.

Section 1121 of the Bankruptcy Code states that the debtor has the exclusive right to file a plan of reorganization for 120 days after the entry of the order for relief, unless the bankruptcy court approves a longer or shorter exclusivity period. Following the expiration of this period, or if certain other conditions are met, any party in interest, including a creditors' committee, may file a plan of reorganization. Debtors frequently attempt to negotiate the terms of the plan of reorganization with their creditors.

A plan of reorganization may modify the rights of any class of creditors and may be confirmed by the bankruptcy court over the objections of one or more classes of creditors, provided that such creditors receive under the plan at least what they would receive in a chapter 7 liquidation. If the bankruptcy court does not confirm a plan of reorganization, the chapter 11 proceeding may be converted to a chapter 7 liquidation case, or it may be dismissed.

<u>Purpose of Unsecured Creditors' Committees.</u> To increase participation in the chapter 11 proceeding, Section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code requires that the United States Trustee appoint a committee of unsecured creditors (the "Committee") as soon as practicable after the order for relief has been entered. The Committee ordinarily consists of the persons, willing to serve, that hold the seven (7) largest unsecured claims against the debtor of the kinds represented on such committee. Since the debtor has filed a list indicating that your claim is one of the twenty (20) largest unsecured claims against the debtor, you may be eligible to serve on the committee. There must be at least three (3) unsecured creditors willing to serve in order to form the Committee.

<u>Powers and Duties of Unsecured Creditors' Committees</u> - Members of the Committee are fiduciaries who represent all unsecured creditors as a group without regard to the types of claims which individual unsecured creditors hold against the debtor. Section 1103 of the Bankruptcy Code provides that the Committee may consult with the debtor, investigate the debtor and its business operations and participate in the formulation of a plan of reorganization. The Committee may also perform such other services as are in the interests of the unsecured creditors whom it represents.

Employment of Professionals - Section 1103 of the Bankruptcy Code provides that the Committee may, subject to the bankruptcy court's approval, employ one or more attorneys, accountants or other professionals to represent or perform services for the Committee. The employment of such professionals must occur at a scheduled meeting of the Committee at which a majority of the Committee is present. All professionals retained by the Committee may be compensated from assets of the debtor's estate pursuant to Section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code. Applications for the payment of professional fees are monitored by the Office of the U.S. Trustee and are subject to the Court's approval. However, the Committee should carefully review all applications and not rely on the Court or the U.S. Trustee to discover and object to excessive professional fees.

Other Matters - The Committee may elect a chairman and adopt bylaws. As a party in interest, the Committee may be heard on any issue in the bankruptcy proceeding. Federal Bankruptcy Rule 2002(i) requires that the Committee (or its authorized agent) receive all notices concerning motions and hearings in the bankruptcy proceeding.

<u>Trading</u> - If you are a creditor who holds a publicly traded debt instrument or equity interest, including an unsecured noteholder, and you wish to serve as a fiduciary on any statutory committee, you may not trade while serving as a committee member absent appropriate order of the Bankruptcy Court.

Should you have any additional questions concerning the Committee or your membership on the Committee please contact the Office of the United States Trustee.