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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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In re : Chapter 11  
Chrysler LLC, *et al.*, : Case No. 09-50002 (AJG)  
Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)  
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**MOTION OF DEBTORS AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION,  
PURSUANT TO BANKRUPTCY RULE 1007, FOR AN ORDER EXTENDING  
THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THEY MUST FILE THEIR (A) SCHEDULES OF  
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, (B) SCHEDULES OF EXECUTORY CONTRACTS  
AND UNEXPIRED LEASES AND (C) STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

TO THE HONORABLE  
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

Chrysler LLC ("Chrysler") and 24 of its domestic direct and indirect subsidiaries, as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively with Chrysler, the "Debtors"), respectfully represent as follows:

**Background**

1. On the date hereof (the "Petition Date"), the Debtors commenced their reorganization cases by filing voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). By a motion filed on the Petition Date, the Debtors have requested that their chapter 11 cases be consolidated for procedural purposes only and administered jointly.

2. The Debtors are authorized to continue to operate their business and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

3. The Debtors and their nondebtor direct and indirect subsidiaries (collectively, the "Chrysler Companies") comprise one of the world's largest manufacturers and distributors of automobiles and other vehicles, together with related parts and accessories. On the Petition Date, the Chrysler Companies employed approximately 55,000 hourly and salaried employees worldwide, 70% of whom were based in the United States. In addition, as of the Petition Date, the Debtors made payments for health care and related benefits to more than 105,000 retirees.

4. Chrysler's ultimate parent company, Chrysler Holding LLC ("Chrysler Parent"), also owns a financing company, nondebtor Chrysler Financial Services Americas LLC ("Chrysler Financial"), that operates under a governance structure separate from Chrysler, with its

own board and management. Historically, Chrysler Financial has provided financing to both Chrysler's dealers and consumers.

5. For the twelve months ended December 31, 2008, the Chrysler Companies recorded revenue of more than \$48.4 billion and had assets of approximately \$39.3 billion and liabilities totaling \$55.2 billion.

6. A more detailed explanation of Chrysler's businesses and operations, and the events leading to the commencement of these cases, can be found in the Affidavit of Ronald E. Kolka, which was filed contemporaneously herewith and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### **Overview of These Cases**

7. The significance of this chapter 11 filing to Chrysler and to the United States economy is difficult to overstate. In connection with the filing, Chrysler is seeking approval from this Court to consummate the only sale transaction that preserves some portion of its business as a going concern and averts a liquidation of historic proportions. If the proposed transaction, designed to effect an alliance with Italian automobile manufacturer Fiat S.p.A. ("Fiat"), is rejected and Chrysler liquidates, it will mean the end of an iconic, 83-year-old American car company whose name has been synonymous with innovative engineering, from the Slant-Six and HEMI engines, to power windows, power brakes and power steering, to the minivan. A liquidation would also have impacts on the nation's economy and Chrysler's stakeholders that are grim:

- 38,500 hourly and salaried Chrysler workers in the U.S. will lose their jobs;
- Chrysler's workers and retirees and their surviving spouses will lose over \$9.8 billion of health care and other benefits and \$2 billion in annual pension payments;

- All 23 of Chrysler's manufacturing plants and facilities and 15 parts depots in the United States will shut down (as well as 18 additional plants and parts depots worldwide);
- Approximately 3,200 Chrysler dealers will be put out of business and the over 140,000 employees of those dealerships will lose their jobs;
- Over \$5.7 billion in outstanding auto parts and service supplier invoices will not be paid to Chrysler's suppliers and new business will be cancelled, forcing hundreds of suppliers out of business and the loss of hundreds of thousands of additional jobs;
- Over 31 million Chrysler, Jeep and Dodge owners would lose significant value in their cars and trucks, particularly due to questions about the ongoing availability of warranties and replacement parts and services;
- Local, state and federal governments will lose tens of billions of dollars in tax revenues, according to a research memorandum published by the Center for Automotive Research in November 2008;<sup>1</sup>
- Over \$100 billion in annual sales will disappear from local economies; and
- Chrysler's first lien secured creditors will receive net present value recoveries of less than 38 cents on the dollar and possibly as little as 9 cents; the U.S. government, another secured creditor, will receive less than that; and Chrysler's unsecured creditors will receive nothing.

8. The economic and market conditions that led to the commencement of Chrysler's chapter 11 cases and the need for the proposed sale transaction are well known, but sobering nonetheless. The automotive market meltdown, the worst in at least 26 years,<sup>2</sup> disrupted Chrysler's substantial progress in implementing a long-term plan to reduce costs and transform its businesses for the next generation of cars. With sales plummeting and credit markets frozen, Chrysler undertook an intense effort to address the challenges it faced. After months of hard work and dedication by Chrysler's management, employees and advisors, working with all key

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<sup>1</sup> Daniel Cole, *et al.*, Center for Automotive Research Memorandum, *The Impact on the U.S. Economy of a Major Contraction of the Detroit Three Automakers*, at <http://www.cargroup.org> (Nov 4, 2008).

<sup>2</sup> Chris Isidore, *Auto Sales Are Worst in 26 Years. January Sales Tumble More Than Expected at GM, Ford and Toyota as Rental Car Companies Slash Purchases*, CNNMoney.com, Feb. 3, 2009 (4:22 p.m., ET).

stakeholders and with the support of the U.S. government, the Debtors have commenced these cases to implement a prompt sale to preserve the going concern value of their businesses and return these businesses to viability under new ownership.

9. The proposed sale transaction would create the sixth-largest global automaker by volume unit, increasing competitiveness with other Original Equipment Manufacturers ("OEMs") and creating billions of dollars in synergies. This transaction is the result of thousands of hours of negotiations among multiple parties. The transaction is being financially backed by the United States Department of the Treasury (the "U.S. Treasury") and Export Development Canada, an affiliate of the Canadian government, which together will provide the new alliance with approximately \$6 billion of taxpayer money to start up and maintain operations. In addition to this unprecedented government support, virtually all of the major constituencies that would be affected by a Chrysler liquidation have recognized how devastating it would be and have made important concessions in support of the proposed alliance:

- The International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America (the "UAW") has agreed to wage and benefit reductions in the context of a sale to the new company, which would receive the benefit of a new collective bargaining agreement eliminating certain severance benefits, and would be a party to an agreement with the UAW containing restructured retiree health care benefits;
- Chrysler's dealers have agreed to reduce their dealer and service contract margins;
- Chrysler's already financially troubled suppliers have agreed to a further 3% price reduction and other measures that will save millions of dollars;
- Chrysler's largest secured creditors, JPMorgan Chase, Goldman Sachs, Morgan Stanley and Citigroup, have agreed to the transaction that would substantially compromise their first lien debt, comprising 70% of the \$6.9 billion total outstanding, for an estimated recovery of approximately 28 cents on the dollar; and
- Chrysler Parent's minority shareholder, Daimler AG ("Daimler"), has agreed as part of a settlement with Chrysler to (a) forgive \$1.5 billion of second lien

debt, at the same time that \$500 million of second lien debt is forgiven by majority shareholder Cerberus Capital Management L.P. ("Cerberus"); and (b) assist in funding Chrysler's pension plans.

Representatives of these constituencies have devoted the past six months to reaching these agreements.

10. As the culmination of these efforts, Chrysler, Fiat and New Chrysler (as defined below) have reached an agreement in principle and are expected to entered into a Master Transaction Agreement (collectively with other ancillary and supporting documents, the "Purchase Agreement") in short order. Pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, among other things: (a) Chrysler will transfer the majority of its operating assets to New CarCo Acquisition LLC ("New Chrysler"), a newly established Delaware limited liability company that currently is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Fiat; and (b) in exchange for those assets, New Chrysler will assume certain liabilities of Chrysler and pay to Chrysler \$2 billion in cash (collectively with the other transactions contemplated by the Purchase Agreement, the "Fiat Transaction").

11. With the support of the U.S. government, Fiat, the UAW, dealers, suppliers and other stakeholders, the Debtors commenced these cases to implement an expeditious sale process to implement the Fiat Transaction, or a similar transaction with a competing bidder, designed to maximize the value of the Debtors' operations and businesses for the benefit of their stakeholders. Pending the proposed sale, the Debtors will idle most operations as they conserve their resources, while at the same time ensuring that (a) the facilities are prepared to resume normal production schedules quickly upon the completion of a sale and (b) consumers are not impacted by the filing.

12. Time is of the essence. Given the continuing stress on all aspects of the automotive industry and the idling of the Debtors' manufacturing facilities, key relationships with suppliers, dealers and other business partners simply cannot be preserved if the sale process is not

concluded quickly. Absent a prompt sale, approved and consummated in the coming weeks, the value of the Debtors' assets will rapidly decline and the ability to achieve a going concern sale will be irretrievably lost. By contrast, the proposed sale transaction, if it can be promptly consummated, will maximize the value available for stakeholders, will save hundreds of thousands of jobs and will strengthen the U.S. automotive sector and the economy generally.

### **Jurisdiction**

13. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

### **Relief Requested**

14. Pursuant to Rule 1007 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), the Debtors hereby seek the entry of an order extending the time within which the Debtors must file their (a) schedules of assets and liabilities, (b) schedules of executory contracts and unexpired leases and (c) statements of financial affairs (collectively, the "Schedules and Statements").

### **Argument**

15. Bankruptcy Rules 1007(b) and (c) require a chapter 11 debtor to file with its voluntary petition or within 15 days thereafter its Schedules and Statements. Bankruptcy Rule 1007(c) provides a bankruptcy court with the ability to extend a debtor's time to file its Schedules and Statements "for cause."

16. Due to the substantial size, complexity and geographic reach of their operations and the press of business preceding the filing of these cases, including the pursuit of the Fiat Transaction, the Debtors were unable to prepare their Schedules and Statements for filing

along with their petitions.<sup>3</sup> Absent any extension of time granted by the Court, the Schedules and Statements are due within 15 days, or by May 15, 2009.

17. Completing the Schedules and Statements for each of the Debtors requires the collection, review and assembly of a substantial amount of information. As mentioned above, the Debtors are an exceptionally large, complex and international enterprise with a corporate history dating back to 1925 and potentially have millions of creditors and contract parties. Given the size and complexity of the Debtors' business and financial affairs, and the critical matters that the Debtors' management and professionals must address in the early days of these cases, including the proposed sale of substantially all of the Debtors' operating assets, the Debtors require more than 15 days after the Petition Date to complete this substantial task. Nevertheless, recognizing the importance of assembling this information, the Debtors intend to complete the Schedules and Statements as quickly as practicable under the circumstances.

18. The additional time requested also should help ensure that the Schedules and Statements are as accurate as possible. Given the volume of information provided in these documents and the fact that the information is required to be accurate as of the Petition Date, providing the Debtors with additional time will help ensure that the relevant information is fully processed through the Debtors' various information systems and can be incorporated into the relevant schedules. Rushing to complete the Schedules and Statements soon after the Petition Date likely would compromise the completeness and accuracy of the Schedules and Statements.

19. Accordingly, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court extend by an additional 60 days, or until July 14, 2009, the date by which the Schedules and Statements must

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<sup>3</sup> Bankruptcy Rule 1007(a)(1) requires a debtor to file a creditor matrix with its petition. Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 1007-1 and General Order M-192 of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, the Debtors have conferred with the Clerk of Court and have been instructed to provide a list of their creditors to their claims and noticing agent in lieu of filing the creditor matrix with the Court as otherwise required by Bankruptcy Rule 1007(a)(1).

be filed pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1007. The substantial size, scope and complexity of these cases and the volume of material that must be compiled and reviewed by the Debtors' limited staff to complete the Schedules and Statements for all of the Debtors during the early days of these cases provide ample "cause" justifying, if not compelling, the requested extension.

20. In large chapter 11 cases such as those of the Debtors, courts routinely extend the deadlines imposed by Bankruptcy Rule 1007 by finding that cause for such extensions exists due to the size and complexity of the debtors' operations. Indeed, similar relief to that requested herein has been granted by courts in this District and elsewhere in numerous other large chapter 11 cases. See, e.g., In re Dana Corp., No. 06-10354 (BRL) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Mar. 29, 2006) (granting an additional 105 days to file schedules and statements); In re Delphi Corp., No. 05-44481 (RDD) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Oct. 13, 2005) (granting the debtors a 100-day extension); In re Northwest Airlines Corp., No. 05-17930 (ALG) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Sept. 15, 2005) (granting the debtors a 90-day extension); accord In re Washington Mutual, Inc., No. 08-12229 (MFW) (Bankr. D. Del. Dec. 2, 2008) (granting an additional 80 days to file schedules and statements); In re Collins & Aikman Corp., No 05-55927 (SWR) (Bankr. E.D. Mich. May 17, 2005) (granting the debtors a 97-day extension).<sup>4</sup>

### Notice

21. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these chapter 11 cases. Notice of this Motion has been given to: (a) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York; (b) the creditors holding the 50 largest unsecured claims against the Debtors' estates, as identified in the Debtors' chapter 11 petitions; (c) counsel to the

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<sup>4</sup> Because of the voluminous nature of these unreported orders, they are not attached to this Motion. Copies of these unreported orders will be made available to the Court at or prior to the hearing on this Motion and are available to other parties upon request from Debtors' counsel.

administrative agent for the Debtors' prepetition senior secured lenders; (d) counsel to Cerberus; (e) counsel to Daimler; (f) counsel to the UAW; and (g) counsel to the U.S. Treasury. The Debtors submit that no other or further notice need be provided.

**No Prior Request**

22. No prior request for the relief sought in this Motion has been made to this or any other Court.

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request that this Court: (i) enter an order substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, granting the relief requested herein and (ii) grant such other and further relief to the Debtors as the Court may deem proper.

Dated: April 30, 2009  
New York, New York

Respectfully submitted,

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**EXHIBIT A**

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Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)  
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**ORDER, PURSUANT TO BANKRUPTCY RULE 1007,  
EXTENDING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE DEBTORS AND  
DEBTORS IN POSSESSION MUST FILE THEIR (A) SCHEDULES OF  
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, (B) SCHEDULES OF EXECUTORY CONTRACTS  
AND UNEXPIRED LEASES AND (C) STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS**

This matter coming before the Court on the Motion of Debtors and Debtors in Possession, Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1007, for an Order Extending the Time Within Which They Must File Their (A) Schedules of Assets and Liabilities, (B) Schedules of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases and (C) Statements of Financial Affairs (the "Motion"),<sup>1</sup> filed by the debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, the "Debtors"); the Court having reviewed the Motion and the Affidavit of Ronald E. Kolka filed in support of the Debtors' first day papers (the "Affidavit") and having considered the statements of counsel and the evidence adduced with respect to the Motion at a hearing before the Court (the "Hearing"); and the Court having found that (i) the Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, (ii) this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b) and (iii) notice of the Motion and the Hearing was sufficient under the circumstances;

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<sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Motion.

and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and the Affidavit and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is GRANTED.
2. The time within which the Debtors must file their Schedules and Statements is extended by 60 days, or until July 14, 2009, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek further extensions of such deadline upon a showing of cause therefor.

Dated: New York, New York  
\_\_\_\_\_, 2009

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE