### IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH CENTRAL DISTRICT

In re:	; ;	Chapter 11 (MW
GENEVA STEEL COMPANY,	:	Case No. 99C-21130
Debtor.	•	

SIXTH AND FINAL APPLICATION OF ERNST & YOUNG LLP AS FINANCIAL ADVISORS AND ACCOUNTANTS TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED FROM OCTOBER 1, 2000 THROUGH JANUARY 2, 2001

Name of Applicant:	Ernst & Young LLP						
Authorized to Provide Professional Services to:	Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Geneva Steel Company						
Date of Retention:	March 10, 1999						
Period for Which Compensation and Reimbursement is Sought:  October 1, 2000 through January 2, 2001							
Amount of Compensation For Services Sought as Actual, Reasonable, and Necessary  Amount of Expenses Sought to Be Reimbursed as Actual,  \$38,446							
Reasonable and Necessary Total Amount of Fees and	\$0 \$38,446						
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This is: a final application for an allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses incurred pursuant to 11 U.S.C. Section 330



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TO THE HONORABLE GLEN E. CLARKE CHIEF UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

Ernst & Young LLP ("E&Y", "Ernst & Young", or the "Applicant"), Financial Advisors and Accountants to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") of Geneva Steel Company, (the "Debtor"), as and for its final application for allowance of compensation for services rendered by Ernst & Young during the period from October 1, 2000 through January 2, 2001 ("the Sixth and Final Application Period" or the "Application Period") and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred during such period, respectfully represents:

### I. Relief Requested

1. By this Sixth and Final Application, Ernst & Young requests an initial allowance of \$38,446 as compensation for services Ernst & Young rendered during the Sixth and Final Application Period. Ernst & Young did not incur any out-of-pocket expenses during the period and consistent with prior fee applications did not bill approximately \$3,268 of administration

expenses which it normally would bill to its non-bankruptcy clients which were incurred during the Sixth and Final Application Period. Of these amounts, Ernst & Young has previously submitted monthly billing statements to the Committee, the Debtor, and the United States Trustee in accordance with the Administrative Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals, dated June 1, 1999 (the "Administrative Order"), requesting payment of fees in the aggregate amount of \$30,757, representing 80% of Ernst & Young's total fees earned during the Sixth and Final Application Period. No expenses were billed during the Sixth and Final Application Period.

2. Following is a table outlining the hours and fees as well as the holdback pursuant to the Administrative Order, amounts paid, and amounts owed during the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth and Final Application Periods:

	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Fees</u>	Expenses	Holdback <sup>1</sup>	Amount Paid <sup>2</sup>	Amount Owed
First Fee Application	535.4	\$176,882	\$13,001	\$0	\$176,882	\$0
Second Fee Application	829.0	\$252,412	\$13,257	\$0	\$252,412	\$0
Third Fee Application	294.4	\$95,034	\$0	\$0	\$95,034	\$0
Fourth Fee Application	142.1	\$51,710	\$0	\$0	\$51,710	\$0
Fifth Fee Application	120.0	\$48,094	\$0	\$0	\$48,094	\$0
Final Fee Application	98.6	\$38,446	\$0	\$7,689	\$0	\$38,446

Pursuant to the Administrative Order, 20% holdback of fees.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reflects payments through the date of this application.

### II. SUMMARY OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY APPLICANT

- 3. Ernst & Young's services during the Sixth and Final Application Period focused on the following projects (Exhibit B contains a summary by project category and Exhibit C contains a summary by professional for services provided during the Application Period; detailed time descriptions were previously filed with the monthly fee statements). Furthermore, a detailed description of services provided is included in Section IV of this Application.
  - A. Weekly and monthly monitoring and analysis of the Debtor's ongoing operations;
  - B. Analysis of current steel industry trends and factors affecting the Debtor's current and future business and operating results;
  - C. Preparation for and participation in various meetings and conference calls with the Debtor, the Debtor's financial advisors, the Debtor's counsel, the Committee's Counsel, and the Committee; and,
  - D. Additional one-time financial analyses as requested by the Committee or its Counsel.
- 4. Upon its retention by the Committee, the Applicant agreed to "cap" its monthly professional fees at \$75,000 per month, subject to the ability to potentially recapture any "excess" fees in subsequent months. Effective October 1, 1999 the Applicant voluntarily reduced the "cap" on its monthly fees to \$62,500 per month and made such cap applicable to both Ernst & Young LLP and E&Y Restructuring LLC ("EYR"). As noted, Applicant's fees during the Sixth and Final Application Period were \$38,446 which compares favorably to a "pro-forma" fee of \$125,000, representing a calculation of the potential "maximum" fee which could have been earned by Applicant based upon 50% of the \$62,500 monthly "cap" applicable to Ernst & Young

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and EYR LLC during the Application Period.

- 5. On October 1, 1999, the Restructuring and Reorganization group of E&Y was separated from E&Y to form E&Y Restructuring LLC a wholly owned subsidiary. The professionals and other individuals employed by EYR LLC in their former capacity as partners and employees of E&Y, were the professionals that provided restructuring and reorganization services to the Committee prior to October 1, 1999. Subsequently, on October 1, 2000, EYR LLC was renamed E&Y Capital Advisors LLC ("EYCA" LLC). Since October 1, 1999 both E&Y and EYCA LLC have provided financial advisory services to the Committee, and E&Y and EYCA LLC will continue to do so in connection with these Chapter 11 cases. Specifically, EYCA LLC will provide restructuring and reorganization services, and E&Y will provide accounting and financial advisory services required by the Committee. EYCA LLC was officially retained by order of the Court dated March 7, 2000 and has submitted a separate fee application for the Application Period. EYCA LLC and E&Y personnel have worked closely together, and will continue to do so, to avoid duplication of effort with respect to the services to be rendered to each of the entities.
- 6. The Applicant submits this Application pursuant to sections 328, 330, 331 and 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and the Guidelines adopted by the Executive Office for the United States Trustees, the Administrative Order, Order No. 32.
- 7. The Applicant expended a total of 98.6 hours during the period covered by this Sixth and Final Application Period in rendering necessary and beneficial financial advisory services to the Committee, and has prepared Exhibit D based on contemporaneous daily time records maintained by the Applicant's professionals and client service associates who rendered services in this case.

- 8. All services performed for which compensation is requested were actually performed or incurred, and they were performed or incurred for and on behalf of the Committee and not for the benefit of any other person or entity. In the opinion of the undersigned, all such services actually benefited the estate and its unsecured creditors.
- 9. Ernst & Young has at all times sought to minimize fees to the estate so as to protect the interests of all creditors. Applicant has used, where possible, analysis and information prepared by the Debtor in the preparation of reports to the Committee, and has only addressed material issues which have arisen in the case at the request of the Committee and/or the Committee's Counsel. Applicant has avoided duplication of services provided and sought, where possible, to use lower rate professionals to perform the services required for the Committee. All of the Applicant's services have been performed at the direction of the Committee and/or the Committee's Counsel. In the opinion of the undersigned, Ernst & Young's fees earned during the Sixth and Final Application Period are fair and reasonable in light of the services rendered.
- 10. The undersigned, by his signature below, hereby certifies that this Sixth and Final Fee Application has been delivered to Thomas K. Conley, Chairman of the Committee with the expectation that it will be approved. If there are any difficulties in this area the court will be so informed.
- 11. The Applicant has not applied for reimbursement of actual and necessary out-of-pocket disbursements in accordance with section 330(a) (2) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules and the Guidelines since none were incurred. The Applicant would typically bill its non-bankruptcy clients for other costs and expenses (including postage, supplies, and other essential expenses and services), reimbursement of which will not be sought in this case (which amount as previously noted totaled approximately \$3,268).

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12. The following exhibits are annexed to this Application:

Exhibit A: Verification of Thomas Welsh

Exhibit B: Summary by Project Code Category of the Services Rendered by

Professionals and descriptions of the Project Code Categories for the

period October 1, 2000 through January 2, 2001

Exhibit C: Summary of Professional Time and Fees for the period October 1,

2000 through January 2, 2001

Exhibit D: Detailed Description by Project Code Category of the Services

Rendered by Professionals for the period October 1, 2000 through

January 2, 2001

### III. RETENTION OF APPLICANT

13. Geneva Steel Company commenced its case on February 1, 1999 (the "Petition Date") by filing petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). Since the Petition Date, the Debtor has been authorized to continue to operate its business and to manage its properties as debtor in possession pursuant to sections 1107 and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these Chapter 11 cases. No reorganization plan or disclosure statement has been filed in this case.

14. By Order signed May 12, 1999 (the "Retention Order"), the Court authorized the Committee to retain the Applicant as their financial advisors as of March 10, 1999 on an hourly rate basis, subject to a "cap" of \$75,000 per month and the ability to potentially recapture "excess" fees. Effective October 1, 1999 the Applicant voluntarily reduced the "cap" on its monthly fees to \$62,500 per month (as noted, the \$62,500 is applicable to both Ernst & Young and EYCA LLC). The Retention Order conditioned the Applicant's compensation on approval by this Court. The Committee

sought to retain the Applicant in this case primarily on account of the Applicant's specific knowledge about the steel industry, its expertise and experience in working with companies and creditor committees in the steel industry, and Applicant's familiarity with the types of other issues such as tax and valuation that the Committee and the Debtor would face during this Chapter 11 case.

#### IV. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES PROVIDED

- 15. Ernst & Young does not wish to burden this Court with an overly detailed or lengthy recitation of each and every matter with respect to which it has rendered services to the Committee, which is detailed out at greater length in Exhibit D. A description of the principal services, provided by the Applicant at the request of the Committee during this Sixth and Final Application Period, are set forth below.
- 16. During the Application Period, Ernst & Young's steel industry experts in conjunction with valuation professionals performed a wide range of financial advisory services at the direction of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors and/or the Committee Counsel and for the benefit of all unsecured creditors. Specific services provided during the Application Period included:
- (a) Analysis of the weekly "flash" financial and operational data prepared by Geneva management along with analysis and commentary on cash positions and borrowing levels compared to projections, and other financial issues;
- (b) Analysis of the monthly "monitoring" reports prepared by management and analysis of operating performance compared to projections, financial covenants, and other analyses;
- (c) Preparation of weekly "flash" reports to the Committee discussing results of Ernst & Young's analysis of both the weekly "flash" data provided by management, and monthly "monitoring" reports and other analyses as requested by the Committee. These analyses provided the Committee with valuable information on the current financial condition of the Debtor as well as emerging trends which could impact the Debtor's business in the future.

- (d) Preparation for and participation in meetings with the Debtor, the Debtor's counsel, the Committee, and Committee's counsel. Ernst and Young's participation in these meetings allowed for the effective communication of the results of our various analyses to the Committee and also provided a forum for the discussion of potential ways to maximize the value of the Debtor's estate and therefore the ultimate recoveries to the Unsecured Creditors.
- (e) Additional one-time financial analyses as requested by the Committee or its counsel.

### WHEREFORE, the Applicant respectfully requests the Court to enter an Order:

- a) awarding the Applicant reasonable compensation for professional advisory services to the Debtor in the amount of \$688,836, representing fees in the amount of \$662,578 and expenses in the amount of \$26,258 for the period March 1, 1999 through January 2, 2001 (the "First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth and Final" Application Periods");
- b) awarding it reasonable compensation for professional services rendered to the Committee in the amount of \$38,446 representing (1) fees in the amount of \$38,446, and (2) expenses in the amount of \$0 for the period March 1, 1999 through January 2, 2001 (the Sixth and Final Fee Application Period);
- c) authorizing payment of \$7,689 representing 100% of the holdback related to the Sixth and Final Application Period; and
- d) granting such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and proper.

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Bý: Thomas Welsh

Partner

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21<sup>th</sup> day of February 2001.

Notary Public

SUSAN L. WIDDOWS tary Public, State of Ohio, Cuy. C

Notary Public, State of Ohio, Cuy. Cty. My Commission Expires Feb. 12, 2006

### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF CLEVELAND

COUNTY OF CUYAH0GA

Thomas Welsh, after being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says:

- 1. I am a designated signatory of the applicant firm, Ernst & Young LLP.
- 2. I have personally performed and/or overseen the professional services rendered by Ernst & Young LLP as financial advisors and accountants to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Geneva Steel Company, et al. and am familiar with the work performed on behalf of the Committee by the other professionals and client service associates in the firm.
- 3. The facts set forth in the foregoing Application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Thomas Welsh

Designated Signatory

Subscribed and sworn to before me this / day of February 2001.

Notary Public

SUSAN L. WIDDOWS

Notary Public, State of Onio, Cuy. Cty.
My Commission Expires Feb. 12, 2006

<b>Project Codes</b>	Descriptions	Hours	Fees
3	Review Newly Received Documents	17.1	\$8,294
10	Preparation/Review of Current Operating Results/Related Matters	65.8	22,662
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11	Preparation/Review of Weekly/Monthly/Periodic Financial Update Report	7.0	3,395
25	Preparation/Attendance/Participation in Meetings/Conference Calls	0.2	97
•	with Debtor Representatives	9.0	2 024
26	Preparation/Attendance/Participation in Trade Committee Meeting/Conference Calls	8.0	3,834
36	Review/Analyze DIP Facility Matters	0.5	165
	Total	98.6	\$38,446

PROFESSIONAL	POSITION	SPECIALTY	R	ATE	HOURS	FEES
Welsh, T.	Partner	S	\$	485	41.6	\$20,176
Denison, M.	Senior Manager	S		330	21.5	7,095
Izzo, C.	Manager	S		330	17.5	5,775
Conway, F.	Manager	S		300	18.0	5,400
Grand Total					98.6	\$38,446

S = Steel Industry Matters

PROFESSIONAL	DATE	HOURS	PCD	DESCRIPTION
Welsh, T.	10/25/2000	8.1	3	Summarize and analyze updated business plan that was prepared by Geneva and Blackstone
Welsh, T.	11/10/2000	0.6	3	Review report of industry expert prepared in connection with plan of reorganization
Welsh, T.	10/26/2000	6.2	3	Summarize and analyze updated business plan that was prepared by Geneva and Blackstone
Welsh, T.	10/27/2000	2.2	3	Summarize and analyze updated business plan that was prepared by Geneva and Blackstone
		17.1	3 Total	

PROFESSIONAL	DATE	HOURS	PCD	DESCRIPTION
Izzo, C.	10/5/2000	1.5	10	Prepare Weekly flash report for week of October 5
Izzo, C.	10/12/2000	1.3	10	Prepare Weekly flash report for week of October 12
Izzo, C.	10/19/2000	1.5	10	Prepare Weekly flash report for week of October 19
Denison, M.	10/24/2000	6.0	10	Prepare report to Committee summarizing Geneva's revised projected financial statements for plan of reorganization
Conway, F.	10/24/2000	6.0	10	Prepare report to Committee summarizing Geneva's revised projected financial statements for plan of reorganization
Denison, M.	10/25/2000	8.0	10	Prepare report to Committee summarizing Geneva's revised projected financial statements for plan of reorganization
Conway, F.	10/25/2000	6.0	10	Prepare report to Committee summarizing Geneva's revised projected financial statements for plan of reorganization
Izzo, C.	10/26/2000	1.7	10	Prepare Weekly flash report for week of October 26
Denison, M.	10/26/2000	6.0	10	Prepare report to Committee summarizing Geneva's revised projected financial statements for plan of reorganization
Conway, F.	10/26/2000	6.0	10	Prepare report to Committee summarizing Geneva's revised projected financial statements for plan of reorganization
Denison, M.	10/27/2000	1.0	10	Prepare report to Committee summarizing Geneva's revised projected financial statements for plan of reorganization
Welsh, T.	11/1/2000	0.4	10	Prepare electronic file with revised October 2000 business plan
Izzo, C.	11/1/2000	2.0	10	Created November 2 flash report
Izzo, C.	11/7/2000	2.0	10	Created November 9 flash report
Izzo, C.	11/15/2000	2.2	10	Created November 16 flash report
Izzo, C.	11/28/2000	2.5	10	Created November 30 flash report
Izzo, C	12/6/2000	1.0	10	Prepare weekly flash report
Welsh, T.	12/7/2000	1.0	10	Review weekly flash report
Izzo, C.	12/13/2000	1.5	10	Prepare weekly flash report
Welsh, T.	12/14/2000	1.0	10	Review weekly flash report
Welsh, T.	10/24/2000	7.2	10	Summarize and analyze updated business plan that was prepared by Geneva and Blackstone
		65.8	10 Total	

PROFESSIONAL	DATE	HOURS	PCD	DESCRIPTION
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Welsh, T.	11/2/2000	1.0	11	Review weekly flash report
Welsh, T.	11/9/2000	1.0	11	Review weekly flash report
Welsh, T.	11/16/2000	1.0	11	Review weekly flash report
Welsh, T.	11/30/2000	1.0	11	Review weekly flash report
Welsh, T.	10/19/2000	1.0	11	Review weekly flash report
Welsh, T.	10/25/2000	1.0	11	Review weekly flash report
Welsh, T.	10/4/2000	1.0	11	Review weekly flash report
		7.0	11 Total	

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PROFESSIONAL	L DATE	HOURS	PCD	DESCRIPTION
Welsh, T.	10/31/2000	0.2	25	Phone call with David Rosen at Blackstone re plan of reorganization and Byrd Bill loan
		0.2	25 Total	

PROFESSIONAL	DATE	HOURS	PCD	DESCRIPTION
Welsh, T.	11/1/2000	0.3	26	Telephone call with Tom Beckett re: plan of reorganization and Byrd Bill term loan
Welsh, T.	11/9/2000	0.9	26	Conference call with Committee
Welsh, T.	11/9/2000	0.2	26	Telephone call with Tom Beckett re: plan of reorganization
Welsh, T.	11/13/2000	0.1	26	Telephone call with Tom Beckett re: plan of reorganization
Welsh, T.	11/16/2000	0.5	26	Conference call with Committee
Welsh, T.	11/30/2000	0.3	26	Conference call with Committee
Izzo, C.	11/30/2000	0.3	26	Attended November 30 Creditor Committee meeting
Welsh, T.	12/7/2000	0.5	26	Conference call with Committee
Welsh, T.	12/12/2000	0.4	26	Phone call with John Fryer at Pacific Corp re: plan of reorganization
Welsh, T.	12/21/2000	0.4	26	Conference call with Committee
Welsh, T.	12/22/2000	0.7	26	Prepare summary of Byrd Bill loan for Steve McGill at Union Pacific Railroad
Welsh, T.	10/12/2000	0.4	26	Phone call with Tom Beckett re plan of reorganization and Byrd Bill loan
Welsh, T.	10/16/2000	0.2	26	Phone call with Tom Beckett re plan of reorganization and Byrd Bill loan
Welsh, T.	10/19/2000	0.2	26	Phone call with Tom Beckett re plan of reorganization and Byrd Bill loan
Welsh, T.	10/19/2000	0.7	26	Phone call with Tom Beckett re bondholder rights offering plan
Welsh, T.	10/23/2000		26	Phone call with David Miller re bondholder rights offering plan
Welsh, T.	10/24/2000		26	Phone call with Tom Beckett re bondholder rights offering plan
Welsh, T.	10/25/2000		26	Phone call with Tom Beckett re bondholder rights offering plan
Welsh, T.	10/26/2000		26	Phone call with Tom Beckett re bondholder rights offering plan
Welsh, T.	10/26/2000		26	Conference call with Committee
,		8.0	26 Total	

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PROFESSIONAL	DATE	HOURS	PCD	DESCRIPTION
Denison, M.	11/29/2000	0.5	36 <b>36 Total</b>	Provide liquidity detail information for legal counsel
		98.6	Grand Total	