

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:

METALS USA, INC., *et al.*
Debtors

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JOINTLY ADMINISTERED UNDER
Case No. 01-42530-H4-11
(Chapter 11)

ORDER GRANTING AMENDED
THIRD AND FINAL FEE APPLICATION OF BRACEWELL & PATTERSON, L.L.P.,
SPECIAL COUNSEL TO THE DEBTORS, FOR THE PERIOD
AUGUST 1, 2002 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2002

The Court, having considered (i) the Amended Third and Final Fee Application (the "Final Application") for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses by Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P. ("B&P"), Special Counsel for Metals USA, Inc., *et al.*, for the Period August 1, 2002 through October 31, 2002, and (ii) the standards for awarding attorneys' fees and reimbursing expenses, finds that (a) the amount requested for allowance of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses by B&P are reasonable and appropriate under the facts and circumstances of these cases, (b) the standards set forth in In re First Colonial Corp. of America, 544 F.2d 1291 (5th Cir. 1977), cert. denied, 431 U.S. 904 (1977) have been met, and (c) the relief requested in the Final Application should be granted on a final basis. Therefore, it is

ORDERED that the Final Application is approved and allowed; and it is further

ORDERED that Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P. receive compensation from the Debtors for holdback amounts pursuant to the Order Granting Debtors' Motion to Establish Procedures for Interim and Final Compensation of Professionals in the amount of \$22,086.19 which reflects 20% of the approved amount of professional fees totaling \$106,322.50 and for \$410.85 representing 10% of the total expenses incurred equaling \$4,108.50 pursuant to the Final Application; and it is further

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ORDERED that the above awards, together with the compensation and reimbursements previously awarded to Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P. during the duration of this Chapter 11 case, are hereby confirmed as final awards.

SIGNED this 19th day of feb 2003.



WILLIAM R. GREENDYKE
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE