IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

IN RE: BUILDING MATERIALS HOLDING CORPORATION, et al.,1	Chapter 11 Case No. 09-12074 (KJC)
Debtors.	Jointly Administered
	Objection Deadline: July 9, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. (ET) Hearing Date: July 16, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. (ET)

DEBTORS' MOTION FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING REJECTION OF THAT CERTAIN UNEXPIRED LEASE AT 440 DAVIS COURT, SAN FRANCISCO

Building Materials Holding Corporation and its affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "*Debtors*"), submit this motion (the "*Motion*") for entry of an order, substantially in the form annexed hereto as *Exhibit A*, authorizing the Debtors to reject that certain unexpired lease (the "*Apartment Lease*") by and between golden Gateway Center ("*Landlord*") and Building Materials Holding Corporation for the property located at Apartment No. 1712, The William Heath Davis, 440 Davis Court, San Francisco, CA (the "*Apartment*"), effective as of July 31, 2009. In support thereof, the Debtors respectfully represent:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. The Court has jurisdiction to consider this Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. sections 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. section 157(b). Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. sections 1408 and 1409.

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RELIEF REQUESTED

2. By this Motion, the Debtors, pursuant to sections 365(a), 1107(a), and 1108 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "*Bankruptcy Code*") and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 6006, seek entry of an order authorizing them to reject the Apartment Lease.

BACKGROUND

- 3. On June 16, 2009 (the "Petition Date"), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "Chapter 11 Cases"). The Debtors continue to operate their businesses and manage their property as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. No request for the appointment of a trustee or examiner has been made in the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 4. The Debtors are one of the largest providers of residential building products and construction services in the United States. The Debtors distribute building materials, manufacture building components (e.g., millwork, floor and roof trusses, and wall panels), and provide construction services to professional builders and contractors through a network of 31 distribution facilities, 43 manufacturing facilities, and five regional construction services facilities.
- 5. The Debtors operate under two brand names: BMC West® and SelectBuild®.
 - *BMC West.* Under the BMC West brand, the Debtors market and sell building products, manufacture building components, and provide construction services to professional builders and contractors. Products include structural lumber and building materials purchased from manufacturers, as well as manufactured building components such as millwork, trusses, and wall panels. Construction services include installation of various building products and framing. The Debtors currently offer these products and services in major metropolitan markets in Texas, Washington,

- Colorado, Idaho, Utah, Montana, North Carolina, California, and Oregon.
- SelectBuild. Under the SelectBuild brand, the Debtors offer integrated construction services to production homebuilders, as well as commercial and multi-family builders. Services include wood framing, concrete services, managing labor and construction schedules, and sourcing materials. The Debtors currently offer these services in major metropolitan markets in California, Arizona, Nevada and Illinois.
- (the "*Plan*") and accompanying disclosure statement (the "*Disclosure Statement*"). As set forth in greater detail in the Plan and Disclosure Statement, the Plan contemplates a restructure of the Debtors' balance sheet and ownership structure, as well as an immediate cash distribution to unsecured creditors and an opportunity for such creditors to receive full payment from the Reorganized Debtors, depending on business performance. The Debtors believe that the restructuring proposal embodied in the Plan provides the Debtors' creditors with the best means of maximizing value of the Debtors and their businesses. To implement this restructuring, the Debtors have obtained a commitment to provide \$80 million in the form of debtor-in-possession financing, which the Court approved on an interim basis on June 17, 2009.

THE APARTMENT LEASE

7. Prior to the Petition Date, the Debtors entered into the Apartment Lease for the use and occupancy of the Apartment. The Apartment has historically been used, as a substitute for hotel accommodations, by non-San Francisco based officers of the Debtors when they have been required for work purposes to visit the San Francisco headquarters of the Debtors. As part of their restructuring efforts, the Debtors have been consolidating their business operations and eliminating unnecessary cost burdens to the business. As part of this

consolidation effort, the Debtors have concluded that they no longer need the Apartment on a going forward basis to operate the business.

BASIS FOR RELIEF REQUESTED

- A. The Court Should Authorize Rejection of the Apartment Lease as a Sound Exercise of the Debtors' Business Judgment
- 8. Pursuant to section 365(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors seek authority to reject the Apartment Lease. Section 365(a) of the Bankruptcy Code provides, in pertinent part, that a debtor in possession "subject to the court's approval, may assume or reject any executory contract or unexpired lease of the debtor." 11 U.S.C. § 365(a). "[T]he purpose behind allowing the assumption or rejection of executory contracts is to permit the trustee or debtor-in-possession to use valuable property of the estate and to 'renounce title to and abandon burdensome property." *Orion Pictures Corp. v. Showtime Networks, Inc. (In re Orion Pictures Corp.)*, 4 F.3d 1095, 1098 (2d Cir. 1993) (quoting 2 Collier On Bankruptcy ¶ 365.01[1] (15th ed. 1993)).
- Occurs defer to a debtor's business judgment in rejecting executory contracts or unexpired leases, and upon finding that a debtor has exercised its sound business judgment, approve such rejections under section 365(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. *NLRB v. Bildisco & Bildisco*, 465 U.S. 513, 523 (1984) (recognizing the "business judgment" standard used to authorize rejection of executory contracts), *superseded by statute on other grounds*, 11 U.S.C. § 1113, *as recognized in Mason v. Official Comm. of Unsecured Creditors (In re FBI Distrib. Corp.)*, 330 F.3d 36, 44 (1st Cir. Mass. 2003); *Sharon Steel Corp. v. Nat'l Fuel Gas Distrib. Corp. (In re Sharon Steel Corp.)*, 872 F.2d 36, 39-40 (3d Cir. 1989) (recognizing the "business judgment" standard, which requires only that the rejection will benefit the estate); *In re Trans World Airlines, Inc.*, 261 B.R. 103, 120 (Bankr. D. Del. 2001) ("A debtor's

determination to reject an executory contract is governed by the business judgment standard."). The business judgment standard is "not a difficult standard to satisfy and requires only a showing that rejection will benefit the estate." *In re Exide Techs.*, 340 B.R. 222, 239 (Bankr. D. Del. 2006); *see also In re III Enters., Inc. V*, 163 B.R. 453, 469 (Bankr. E.D. Pa. 1994) (observing that courts do not "disturb [a debtor's] decision to reject [a lease] unless the decision is so unreasonable that it could not be based on sound business judgment, but only on bad faith or whim") (internal citations and quotations omitted).

judgment, that eliminating costs that are unnecessary to the operation of their business is in the best interests of their estates and creditors. As part of this cost-cutting initiative, the Debtors have determined that the Apartment is not essential to their ongoing operations and, therefore, is no longer necessary to maintain. For this reason, the Debtors believe their decision to reject the Apartment Lease satisfies the "business judgment" standard applicable to the rejection of unexpired leases of real property under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code.

REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF STAY

the effectiveness of the order approving this Motion. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), any "order authorizing the use, sale, or lease of property other than cash collateral is stayed until the expiration of 10 days after entry of the order, unless the court orders otherwise."

While the Debtors do not believe that Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h) applies to the relief requested in this motion, to the extent applicable, ample cause exists to waive any stay of the effectiveness of this order because the Debtors' estates may be liable to pay any postpetition

obligations arising under the Apartment Lease as administrative expenses of their estates. Accordingly, the Debtors submit that ample cause exists to justify a waiver of the 10-day stay under Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), to the extent applicable.

NOTICE

12. No trustee, examiner, or creditors' committee has been appointed in these Chapter 11 Cases. The Debtors have provided notice of filing of the Motion to: (a) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware; (b) the 50 largest unsecured creditors of the Debtors on a consolidated basis as identified in the Debtors' chapter 11 petitions; (c) counsel to Wells Fargo Bank, as agent under the Debtors' Prepetition Credit Agreement and DIP Facility (as defined in the Plan); (d) any persons who have filed a request for notice in the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002; and (e) the counterparty to the Apartment Lease at The Gateway, 460 Davis Court, San Francisco, CA 94111, as provided in the Apartment Lease. Due to the nature of the relief requested, the Debtors respectfully submit that no further notice of this Motion is required.

NO PRIOR REQUEST

13. 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 the Court grant the relief

requested herein and such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: Wilmington, Delaware June 26, 2009 YOUNG CONAWAY STARGATT &

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NOTICE OF MOTION

TO: (I) THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE; (II) THE DEBTORS' FIFTY LARGEST UNSECURED CREDITORS ON A CONSOLIDATED BASIS; (III) COUNSEL TO WELLS FARGO BANK, AS AGENT UNDER THE PREPETITION CREDIT FACILITY AND THE DIP FACILITY (AS DEFINED IN THE PLAN); (IV) THE COUNTERPARTY TO THE APARTMENT LEASE; AND (V) ALL PARTIES ENTITLED TO NOTICE UNDER RULE 2002-1(b) OF THE LOCAL RULES OF BANKRUPTCY PRATICE AND PROCEDURE FOR THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") have filed the attached **Debtors' Motion for an Order Authorizing Rejection of That Certain Unexpired Lease at 440 Davis Court, San Francisco** "<u>Motion</u>").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that any objections to the Motion must be filed on or before <u>July 9, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. (ET)</u> (the "Objection Deadline") with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, 824 Market Street, 3rd Floor, Wilmington, Delaware 19801. At the same time, you must serve a copy of the objection upon the undersigned counsel to the Debtors so as to be received on or before the Objection Deadline.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT A HEARING TO CONSIDER THE MOTION WILL BE HELD ON JULY 16, 2009 AT 4:30 P.M. (ET) BEFORE THE HONORABLE KEVIN J. CAREY AT THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE, 824 MARKET STREET, 5TH FLOOR, COURTROOM NO. 5, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE 19801.

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PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if you fail to respond in accordance with this notice, the Court may grant the relief requested in the Motion without further notice or hearing.

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EXHIBIT A Proposed Order

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ORDER AUTHORIZING REJECTION OF THAT CERTAIN UNEXPIRED LEASE AT 440 DAVIS COURT, SAN FRANCISCO

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Motion and having considered the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing before the Court (the "*Hearing*"); and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before the Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. The Motion is granted as set forth below.
- 2. Pursuant to section 365(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors are authorized to reject the Apartment Lease, and the Apartment Lease is deemed rejected, effective as of July 31, 2009.
- 3. Landlord² shall have until the date fixed by this Court pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 3003(c)(3) to file any claim for damages arising from rejection of the Apartment Lease.
- 4. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this Order in accordance with the Motion.
- 5. The Debtors do not waive any claims they may have against the Landlord, whether or not such claims arise under, are related to the rejection of, or are independent of the Apartment Lease.
- 6. Nothing herein shall prejudice the rights of the Debtors to argue that any claim for damages arising from the rejection of the Apartment Lease is limited to the remedies available

² Capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

under any applicable termination provision of such Apartment Lease, or that any such claim is an

obligation of a third party, and not that of the Debtors or their estates.

7. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient

notice of such motion and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6006(c) and the Local

Bankruptcy Rules are satisfied by such notice.

8. To the extent Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h) is applicable, the terms and conditions of

this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

9. This Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or

relating to the interpretation or implementation of this Order.

Date: Wilmington, Delaware July ____, 2009

Kevin J. Carey

Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge